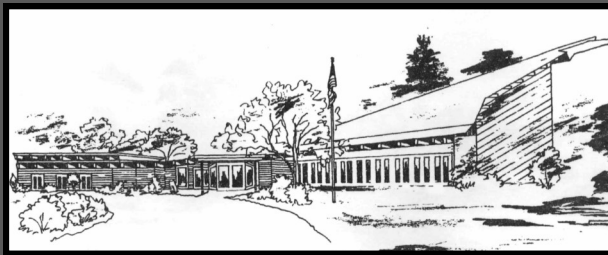




**Lutheran Church  
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July 2019



We will be traveling with Paul to Athens July 29-Aug 3 and registration has begun! Forms are available in the Narthex or on our website: [holyspirit-elca.org](http://holyspirit-elca.org). Join us for this annual week of fun games, creative projects and song and dance!

We are looking for adult helpers to be craft leaders (at least one per day), snack helpers, actors, etc. As well as, counselors (group leaders). High schoolers can get many service hours for the week!

Please contact Jennifer at [jennifer.williamslchschildren@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.williamslchschildren@gmail.com) or Kari Davenport at [karikdavenport@gmail.com](mailto:karikdavenport@gmail.com) if you'd like to join us!



## *A Note from Our Pastor*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Followers of Jesus are inspired to develop practices and patterns for daily living that characterize a life that is devoted to daily discipleship. The ELCA has promoted a model of seven faith practices to model and nurture. These are:

Pray Frequently	Study Scripture Diligently
Worship Regularly	Invite Others Often
Pass on the Faith	Serve for the Sake of Others
Give Freely	

As we prepare for another Vacation Bible School later this month, which for most congregations is the greatest outreach effort they make throughout the entire year, the faith practice of Passing on the Faith has caught my attention. At a conference I attended last fall, the presenter talked about how if a child is not introduced to a life of faith by the time they are 18, whether that be Christian, Jewish, Muslim, or any other, the likelihood of that individual ever becoming involved in a life of faith in God is like 1 or 2 out of 100. Now that doesn't mean that an un-churched individual can't be a good person who contributes to bettering our society, but imagine what our world would be like if only 1 or 2 out of 100 had experienced the transformational power of a life in Christ.

A three-and-a half-year study of Christian Education in six denominations concluded that "The primary aim of congregational life is to nurture...a vibrant, life-changing faith, the kind of faith that shapes one's way of being, thinking, and acting." The primary goals then, of the teaching ministries of our congregation, are to result in the transformation of people's lives and to help people grow in faith.

There is probably no better way to fulfill such goals, than for us to reach out to our community through Vacation Bible School. Because VBS is not just another program, it is an opportunity to build relationships with people who may be lacking in faith, it's an opportunity to give freely of our time and talents, it's an opportunity to serve for the sake of others and for the sake of the church. And above all it's an opportunity to plant the seeds of faith in the next generation of believers, and church leaders.

I would encourage us all to make this mission a part of our personal mission in life, to help us live in God's will and for God's purposes. Just as we plant the seeds of the gospel in the hearts of our children during Vacation Bible School, let's sow the seed of mission in our hearts, so that the fruit of the Spirit will continue to grow and flourish. Let's be about transforming people's lives and helping each other grow in faith.

Yours in Christ,

*Pastor Tim*



# Worship Schedule

The Christian Education Committee and the Worship & Music Committee have weighed the pros and cons of scheduling only one service in the fall. At this point in time, there appears to be support for maintaining our current schedule. In September, we will return to our regular worship schedule of 8:30 and 10:45, with Sunday School and the Adult Forum in between. Watch for some special celebratory 9:30 joint services when the 2019-2020 calendar is published.



## Sanctuary Renewal Questionnaire

The Sanctuary Enhancement Team has been working hard to explore how to best utilize our worship space and would like your feedback. There are many creative options to consider as we look to the future. **One of the most important considerations the committee is taking into account is cost of any and all improvements.** However, we would like you to answer questions without considering cost and only on the merits of the design component.

Thank you to those who have responded. We appreciate and value your input. If you have not already done so, all confirmed members are asked to complete the questionnaire by July 10. Copies are on the buffet in the Narthex or can be completed electronically via <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KWNGJYP>.

## Summer Choir

Summer Choir will be starting shortly! Why not consider adding your voice to our music ministry? We will meet at 9:00 a.m. twice a month during the summer to prepare a short musical offering for the 9:30 a.m. service. Below is the Summer schedule. Join us in singing God's praises. All are welcome to raise their voice in praise and worship. See Mike Duffy if you have any questions.

July 14 & 28

August 11 & 25

## Music Ministry

If you have an instrument you would like to play during worship, there are opportunities during the prelude, offertory and postlude. Please contact [brigidcantagallo@gmail.com](mailto:brigidcantagallo@gmail.com) if you are interested or have any questions.



## LCHS Visitation Ministry

In July LCHS is launching its Visitation Ministry. The ministry's purpose is to extend our sense of community to those who are unable to worship with their congregation at its celebrations.

Four Visitation Ministers have been trained and commissioned to offer communion to those they visit. If you know of someone who would like a visit, please notify the church office.



## **Election of a New Bishop**

### **Synod Assembly, June 7 & 8, 2019** by Janice Edwards

This year's synod assembly had all of the usual activities – workshops, resolutions, budget approval, worship, mission moments – but the most notable event was election of a new bishop, Yehiel Curry. The election itself followed a process that was very organized and democratic, but which managed to be a bit wild and wooly at the same time. Two months before the election, synod assembly attendees were asked to identify potential nominees for bishop. The top six potential nominees (potential, because nominations are made only at the synod assembly, and the first ballot is an ecclesiastical one, at which any ordained person may be nominated), participated in four forums of two hours each, held in various locations all over the synod. Win or lose, these persons provided powerful testimony in these forums to their faith in God and the church, setting out their visions for a hopeful new direction.



As expected, the ecclesiastical ballot was a free-for-all, with 61 persons nominated for bishop, many with only one or two votes. Our Pastor Tim was in the top 10, with five votes! Nominees with ten or more votes (the previously identified nominees, plus one) advanced to the next round. After five ballots, further presentations and questioning, a bit of politicking, and some reshuffling we had a new bishop. We trust that the Holy Spirit was at work in our deliberations, and that our choice of Yehiel Curry was a good one. His six-year term begins on September 1, with installation in October.

### **Prayer Group**

In July we will be using daily devotion and prayers taken from “God is with You Every Day” by Max Lucado. All are welcome to join us in the Prayer Chapel on Thursdays at 9:30 AM in the Prayer Chapel.

### **The Quilters**

Join us at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 16 for fellowship and making quilts for Lutheran World Relief. All are welcome. No experience necessary!

### **Meet and Greet**

Join us Sunday, July 28 in the Narthex at 10:30 after worship to gather as a family of faith to renew, sustain and form new friendships. To volunteer to provide fruit or a treat, please email Katie Bally at [kbally@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kbally@sbcglobal.net).

### **Roof Update** by Dave Schroetter

Good news everybody!!! Our roof is now done and the replacement of the shingled roof, upkeep to our flat roof and the upgrade to the mechanical enclosure has solved our leak issues. Many thanks to all you for your help with this project by attending meetings, giving input, and supporting our huge challenge with your donations has allowed us to complete this project in a very timely manner, as well as not having to dip into our building fund. Once again, thank you and God Bless.

# HOLY SPIRIT IN THE COMMUNITY



LCCHS will be walking in the Lincolnshire Red, White & BOOM Parade July 4 at 11am. The approx. 2 mile parade starts at the Lincolnshire Swim Club on Riverwoods Road and ends at Spring Lake Park. Line up starts at 10am. We are hoping to have a great turnout of walkers, wagons and strollers behind our Holy Spirit banner. Further details to follow.

## Deerfield Farmer's Market

Please put July 20 on your calendar as we will need to staff and bake for the Deerfield Farmer's Market, located in the commuter parking lot, east of the train station from 7a.m.-12:30p.m. This is a great way to reach out to the community to let them know we are here!

If you have any questions or are interested in helping, please contact Pam Labellarte at [plabellarte@gmail.com](mailto:plabellarte@gmail.com)

## PADS

For many years, Holy Spirit has provided volunteers for the PADS (Providing Advocacy, Dignity, and Shelter) Ministry. We owe a huge thank you to the loyal team of volunteers (Joanna Lynn, in particular) who have faithfully staffed one Saturday night/Sunday morning each month at Messiah Lutheran Church in Wauconda during the PADS season, serving the homeless of Lake County.

Regrettably, at this time, we do not have the ability to fully support being a host congregation next year. We have a congregation which is willing to provide food, a cook who is willing to prepare the food, and many devoted volunteers who are willing to continue to serve the site. We just don't have the manpower to responsibly commit to host evening, overnight, and morning shifts monthly. Wendy LaPlaca is working with the PADS organization to see how Holy Spirit can continue to support this important ministry. We thank the many volunteers who have served over the years. Your support and dedication have made a difference in the lives of our less fortunate neighbors

An illustration of a person lying on a beach chair on a sandy beach, using a laptop. The text 'give online' is written in a large, blue, sans-serif font, and 'from wherever you happen to be' is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font below it. The background shows a beach with waves and a blue sky.

give  
online

from wherever you happen to be



## Curt's Cafe

You're invited to a fundraising celebration featuring Acts of Kindness Cabaret on Thurs., July 11 at 6 PM at The Art Center Highland Park. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased via [curtscafe.org](http://curtscafe.org).

## Golf Outings

**COOL**—Friday, July 12 at Noon at Bonnie Brook golf course includes dinner. Information, registration and other ways to support COOL can be found at [coolministries.org](http://coolministries.org).

**LCCHS Annual Golf Outing** will be on Sunday, July 28 at 1 PM at the Vernon Hills golf course. Format is scramble, which makes it a fun team event and all levels of golf is welcome! Sign up in the Narthex. Call Joe Labellarte at 847-322-5040 if you have any questions.

# Children's Ministry News

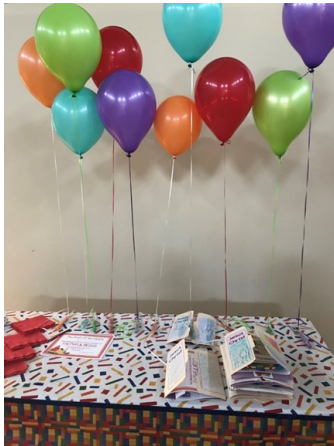
by Jennifer Williams, Children's Ministry Director - [jennifer.williams@slcschildren@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.williams@slcschildren@gmail.com)

## Sunday School Happenings

Sunday school is on summer break! We will see everyone in September for class, but that doesn't mean there are not a few things going on throughout the summer! Take a look:

**Sunday, August 18** is our **BACKPACK BLESSING**. Bring those school bags to church to receive a blessing for an awesome school year. We will have a special family event immediately following this 9:30 service! All are welcome!

Save the date for our **Rally Day: "BACK TO SCHOOL BLAST OFF!" Sunday, September 8**. There will be something for everyone! Food, Fellowship and Fun! We are planning games for the kids (and grown-ups!) and much more! Stay tuned for more information. If anyone is interested in helping, we are looking for game leaders, and hospitality crew members. Contact Jennifer if you are interested.



## Tuesday LYFE

We concluded our year with a pizza and planning party! Families gathered in Fellowship Hall for dinner and programming planning was discussed. The kids received awards and portfolios for the end of the year! It was a great time of fellowship and feedback.

## Facebook Photo Challenge

Thank you to all who participated in our June Facebook challenge! It was fun to see everyone's interpretation of the word of the day, awesome pictures!

# LIFE LINE SCREENING®

*The Power of Prevention*

Life Line Screening will be here at Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, July 27, 2019 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Please refer to the attached flyer to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease. There is no time like the present to take action! Learn more by watching this short video: <http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>

## Three ways to register:

- **Call toll-free: 866-229-0469**
- **Online:** [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle)
- **Text:** the word **circle** to **797979**

## *A Tale of Two Wolves*

One evening an old Cherokee Indian told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, 'My son, the battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all.

One is evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.



The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith.'

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: 'Which wolf wins?' The old Cherokee simply replied, 'The one you feed.'



# LET'S CELEBRATE!

## *July Birthdays*

- |                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1- Ryan Becker      | 13- Douglas Meyer       |
| Pam Labellarte      | Mitch Prosk             |
| Hannah Miller       | 15- Annette Michalowski |
| Darlene Neumann     | 16- Miles Powell        |
| 2- Kami Spoehr      | 17- Jan Travetto        |
| 3- Robert Nathan    | 18- Dave Engen          |
| Joseph Neela        | 21- Paul Becker         |
| Sharon Ryan         | Linda Johnson           |
| 4- Mary Lou Gilliam | 24- Mike Giacone        |
| 5- Karen Soeder     | 26- Tom Sykes           |
| 7- Gabrielle Brown  | 27- Quin Ribordy        |
| Dominic Cantagallo  | 28- Amelia Eastman      |
| 8- Maureen Meyer    | 29- Calvin Bittner      |
| 9- Chris Miller     | 30- Kymm Brown          |
| 10- Elaine Petersen | Mike Mihalov            |
|                     | 31- Joshua Neela        |

## *Anniversary Milestones*

Ken & Sue Rosko  
5 years

*Congrats*  
CLASS OF 2019

**Ethan Becker—Univ of Iowa**  
**Jack Eastman—Univ of Illinois**  
**Ben Voermans—Michigan State**  
**Rob Williams—Augustana**  
**Katelyn Dohler—Vernon Hills H.S.**  
**Ben Grafe—Deerfield H.S.**  
**Brian Dick—Daniel Wright**





# church council MEETING

## Highlights from June 2019

The monthly Church Council meeting was held on June 10th. Treasurer's report included monthly Benevolence offerings and other income of \$28,494; YTD total is \$ 230,631 (including roof repair donations). Operating expenses were \$ 31,698 (YTD total is \$ 183,505)(not including roof repair).

**The Pastor's report:** Camp Lincolnshire is using the building for summer camp. Draft 2019-2020 church calendars were circulated for advance planning and discussion at the next council meeting. Jennifer Williams will be hired in the near term to fill the Youth Director. **Committees** of the council provided reports of various activities. **Growth** reported that a number of families recently have expressed interest in our church, and notes have been sent to thank them for worshipping with us. Pam Labellarte is chairing our participation the Deerfield Farmers' Market on July 20. We will be participating in the Lincolnshire July 4 Parade, where we will be handing out LCHS-labeled water bottles and wearing LCHS t-shirts. PLEASE JOIN IN THE PARADE! A group also walked in the Buffalo Grove Pride Parade on June 2. **Human Needs** reported that the next blood drive is being planned for October. The RefugeeOne benefit concert will be held on October 20 at 3:00 pm. Options are being explored for additional service activities in October. **Long Range-Planning** continues with sanctuary enhancement planning and has circulated a survey. Please take a few moments to complete the survey. **Personnel:** Annual background checks will be performed on staff as required by our insurer. **Property** reported that the roofing repair project proceeded successfully and as planned. Annual parking lot blacktopping will be planned for August. **Youth** committee will communicate and work with Jennifer Williams for upcoming plans and activities. Teens are encouraged to participate in the July 4 parade. **Worship & Music** reported that special music services were held and well-received on Music Sunday and Pentecost. We are on summer worship schedule, with one Sunday service at 9:30 through Rally Day (September 8) and Monday evening services at 7:00 pm, which began on June 3. Summer choir will continue singing twice per month during the summer, with rehearsals shortly before service begins. Please join us in song. **Christian Education** reported the team met to discuss and plan, including LYFE service projects, Trunk or Treating, and Rally Day. VBS preparations are underway. VBS information and registration are available in the narthex and online, including a VBS Facebook promotions to better publicize ourselves on social media. **Finance** presented mortgage prepayment and reamortization options, and a motion was made and approved to prepay \$25,000 on the mortgage and reamortize in January, 2020 when the interest rate reset goes into effect. **C.U.F.F.** The church picnic was held at Tennaqua Swim and Racquet Club on June 23 and was great fun.

**Old Business:** The Sanctuary Enhancements Task Force continues its work. Please complete the survey. Lutheran Day Nursery visited on Thursday, June 27. Thanks to all who helped.

**New Business:** Report from Synod Assembly: The main item on the agenda was the election of a new Synod Bishop. Yehiel Curry was elected.

**Next council meeting is August 12th at 7:30 PM.** All council meetings are open to Holy Spirit members. Minutes and reports of the council are kept in a public notebook in the narthex.

### Prayer Concerns

Typically, we freshen prayer concerns after 3 weeks so the list doesn't get too long. Please remember to email Laurie in the church office at [lutheranholyspirit@gmail.com](mailto:lutheranholyspirit@gmail.com) when prayer concerns change or to update your request.

# JULY 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Parade</b> Church office closed	<b>5</b> Church office closed	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 10am Quilters	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Deerfield's Farmers Market</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> Meet & Greet <b>1:00pm LCHS Golf Outing</b>	<b>29</b> VBS 9-Noon	<b>30</b> VBS 9-Noon	<b>31</b> VBS 9-Noon			

Special events are in red bold print

# AUGUST 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> <b>VBS 9-Noon</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>2</b> <b>VBS 9-Noon</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 7:30 Council Mtg	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>Blessing of the Backpacks Service</b> <b>Build a Kite Family Event</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 10am Quilters	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> Meet & Greet	<b>26</b> Last Worship in the Woods	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 9:30am Prayer Group	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>



# Music Sunday



# Church Picnic





# ***HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS***

*July 2019*

More information may be found on our website: [www.holyspirit-elca.org](http://www.holyspirit-elca.org)



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