

AUGUST

NEWSLETTER

2023

15 Years Pastor Weinkauf

"Unless the LORD Builds the House, Those Who Build It Labor in Vain." Psalm 127. During my 16 years a pastor and years before that, I am aware of hundreds of LCMS congregations and hundreds of other Christians congregations, what we have is very unique and special, unlike anything else I am aware of. It all flows from our Lord's Word and Sacraments which is always foremost. This place of historical Christians; this oasis for authentically, confessionally Lutherans. I believe we have the finest congregation of the LCMS and I am privileged to serve you.

In Luke 5, Jesus heals the leper and paralytic man, but the foremost miracle, He forgive sins. "And amazement seized them all, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen extraordinary things today." The Lord has done extraordinary things here at Risen Savior. This is how we should view Risen Savior. In repentance, in humbleness, in love, in faith confess the works of God here, His day of visitation unto us at this time, at this place where the Lord gathers His flock; where the Lord provides a shepherd to tend to you, to preach His Word to you, pouring out His gifts.

Extraordinary things! All the old people, all the new people that continue to find their way to Risen Savior. I ponder why me? Why here? Why among us? Why at this time in history? Among so many Lutherans that have served, suffer, endured, lived –of all we have here, unlike what we have seen among Lutherans and Christians throughout the US, even the world, in these generations, that has been given to us in this place. I marvel how Lord has brought so many people together and made a family here. On Sunday, 16 years ago, I was serving 3 miles from here, in a little, modest church, with about 20 people gathered and I am in awe looking around today.

"Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe." Hebrews 13. Be in awe of what the Lord has done here 15 years. But amazed and bask in His grace at what the Lord has in store for us in our future years here. I am deeply honored to serve you all and appreciate, to no end, your prayers. I sincerely appreciate all your support. May the Lord continue to bless us in this place as we grow together in our Lord's Word and Sacraments. "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, come before him! Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!" Psalm 96,100

Rev. Norton & Rev. Kinney's family



Sunday June 11, Rev. Norton, wife Katie, 6 daughters were with us, on their way from Texas to Alaska as he serves as a US Army Chaplain. He was our 1st vicar. Hannah Kinney and her 3 children were also with us this day. Rev. Kinney now serves at First Lutheran, Sabetha. He was our 6th Vicar.

Risen Savior had 7 vicars from 2014-2022. In 2021 there were only 32 vicars from Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne. 8 of them did a 'local' vicarage to serve an area church, leaving only 24 men heading off around the US.

We did not receive a vicar as did many other congregations, even some larger than us, who had been receiving vicars longer than us did not receive one either. It happens, we also did not receive a vicar our first year we requested one due to lack of candidates.

We were assured by Dr. Zieroth, Placement Director if we stay in the program, we would receive a vicar the following year. As our needs continue to grow, the congregation voted to have a 2 pastor model and leave the vicarage program.

It has been a joy as in the last 9 months I have had the chance to visit with, or eat with, or drink with, 5 of the 7 vicars; and to see these young men growing in their pastoral vocation and their growing families.

Key Events

August 20 Potluck/Voter's Assembly

August 20 New Sunday School Year

August 21 RSCA 6th year begins!

August 26 Sunday School Gamenight

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Rev. Dr. Jonathan Shaw



Sunday June 25, Dr. Shaw was our guest preacher and also presented for Bible Class. He is Director of LCMS Church Relations. He is also a retired Colonel US Army Chaplain. In Dr. Shaw's work, he is the lead person for Synod President Rev. Harrison, as the LCMS engages Lutherans and non-Lutheran church denominations throughout the world.

Risen Savior Classical Academy



K-High School Home School Cooperative

August 21, Monday

Our 6th Year begins! Contact Pastor Weinkauf for questions.

Music @ Risen Savior

Cathy Manis

Vocal Choir and Bell Choir start up again in Sept 6. This will be an informational night for everyone at 7 pm, following Vespers. No experience needed.

Youth Chorale launches Sept. 7

2nd-8th Grade are invited as we begin our Youth Choir. Practice is Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 pm.

For any questions, contact me Cathy Manis at 913-416-0007.

Germany 2024



Sept. 13-24, 2024. Information now posted at LutherTours.com. Printed copies available in the Narthex. Pastor Weinkauf will be hosting this 'once-in-a-lifetime' trip, for the third time. An amazing itinerary is planned!

Members along with people from around the nation may join. We anticipate at least 40 people for the max. discount.

They offer \$100 discount to register by Sept. 30.



Sundary School

3 yr. old - 8th gradeAmanda Harbord, Education



Parent Datenight
Sunday School Gamenight
Aug. 26, Sat., 5-7 pm
No cost. Food provided.

New Sunday School Year! Begins Aug. 20



Youth Group

High School Pastor Weinkauf

August 6 6:00-8:00 pm Invite any friends.

higherthings.org



Table Talk

19-39 year old

ON HOLD as we await the 2nd Pastor. This group meets the 1st Friday. Social setting of young adults, single or married, engaging issues & culture in light of God's Word.



Weekly Bible Classes

Sunday 9:15
Epistles

Wednesday 8:30 Matins, 9:00 Class Acts



Aug. 17 6:30 pm

Katlyn Selbe, Coordinator; usually meet 3rd Thurs. Ladies Night Out, sisters of Katie Luther

Annual Shrimp Boil! like the Men's Scrimp Boil only better. Thursday, Aug. 17. 6:30 pm. It's time for our annual all you can eat shrimp boil. We will meet in the church hall for a relaxing evening eating dinner together. Please bring a dessert or drink to share!



Aug. 3 6:30 pm

Book Club Amanda Uhlmansiek, Coordinator 314-489-0704

All are invited to come and listen to the lively discussion! (Even if you haven't finished the book or it hasn't come yet!) 1st Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm. Order now for upcoming gatherings...

August 3: Digitized: Spiritual Implications of Technology by Bernard Bull. It discusses the spiritual implications of technology on our faith; published by CPH.

Sept, 7: *Till We Have Faces* by C. S. Lewis. Novel involving Greek mythology



Aug. 25 7 pm

Men's GameNight Usually 4th Friday of the month

We resume **August 25, 7 pm**. All men of the congregation (& friends), over 18, are welcome to come to our monthly Men's GameNight. This is a collegial time for men of the congregation to gather, enjoy a time of gregarious, godly behavior.



Aug. 20

Potluck & Voter's Assembly

Congregation Potluck & Quarterly Voter's Assembly, Aug. 20, after the 10:30 Service. Agenda available 8/13.

For our potluck, members last name:

A-M: bring a main dish.

N-Z: bring a side dish, salad, dessert, or bread;



Aug. 4 8:00 am

1st Friday Trustees Board of Trustees, Nick Bretz

Next one is August as we have a garage to build in July. All are invited as we will gather at the first Friday of the month to address various little projects, maintenance, or enhancements inside and outside the church. We will grab some coffee, and work until 9-9:30 am.



Aug. 10 6:00 pm

Women In Mission Dayle Reynolds, President

All Veterans/reserves/retired or active military. The LWML is planning an event to honor veterans in November. WE HAVE NO LIST OF PEOPLE. Please give us your name, rank, and branch of service to Pastor, Dayle Reynolds, Mary Ellen Ballard or Chyleen Pauesick. We will try to remind you again in the coming months.

Backpacks for Academy. LWML will be collecting school supplies to fill backpacks for our Risen Savior Academy students in the following weeks. On Sunday July 30th a poster will be up in the narthex for you to contribute to this worthy mission of love. These supplies will go into the backpacks that we have made for the students that will be attending the academy in August. Please donate if you can but pray for our teachers, students and administration for another successful year.

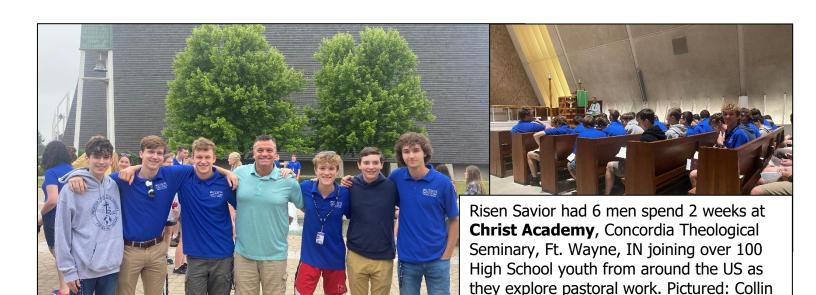
Our next meeting will be on August 10 at 6:00 p.m. All ladies of Risen Savior are welcome to join us.

Continue to save those box tops, there is a collection place on our bulletin board or leave them in the church office. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me. Dayle Reynolds 913-680-5366. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Several ladies from our **LWML** hosted a lunch for 45 ladies from around Kansas who were traveling to the national LWML convention in a coach bus. Many toured the church sanctuary and were in awe of what we have here.







KC Pregnancy Clinic picking up the baby bottle collections. Thank you to all who helped with this outreach project as we joined Pro-life churches around the US collecting funds annually with baby bottle banks held between Mother's Day to Father's Day.

KANSAS CITY
FINE DIVINGAL CLIVIC



Ford, Owen Johnson, Isaac Maurer, Pastor, Corin Kasunic, Gus White, Garrett Ford.

Pastor received a special gift from the Mustapich's on Father's Day of a Pastor Weinkauf bobblehead.

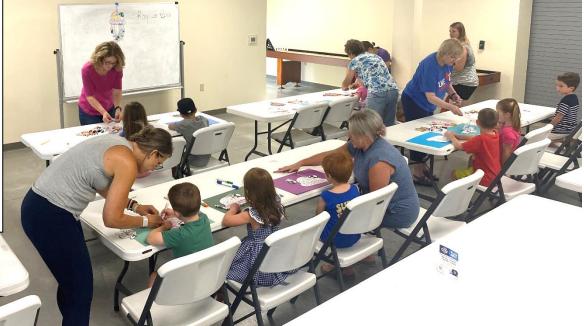




Special thanks to all who helped: Amanda Harbord, Karen Erickson, Sherry Stevens, Chelsea Shaw, Joanie Jones, Aaron Selbe, Lauren Durflinger, Bruce Harbord, Derek Peters, Jonathan Shaw, Cathy Manis, Jodi Weinkauf, Kim Dunn, Makenzy Curtis, Jeanette Curtis, Ella Gary, Leslie Grimm, Janise Selbe, Emily Newman, Sarah Peters

& LWML for preparing bags.









Cemetery paths. Thanks to a generous memorial gift, both sidewalk from the church to the Cemetery have been paved. Reseeding of disturb areas will take place this fall and next spring.





Garage Building. We had 18 men come out the first Saturday of construction. Any man with a tool belt was in charge.







Church Picnic. Celebrating 15 years of Risen Savior. A beautiful day as we celebrated our Lord's gifts of family; a great turnout, kids filling the gym and playground and the chance for people to meet some of our new families and people who go to different services.

Special thanks to Jerry Long and Steve Woelk who came out of retirement (again) for the music. If you stayed long enough you saw a gymnastic exhibition by Sarah Bretz and Jonathan Shaw. And the resurrection of the barrel train by some high schoolers.



New License Plates

available in the narthex. These plates have been known to improve driving and vehicle value.

August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 8th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 6:00 p Book of Concord study	31 1:00 p RSCA Parent Meeting/Open House	-	8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	3 6:30 p Book Club	48-9:30 a 1st Friday Trustee work	9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution
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8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service	14. Noon Lunch with pastor	15 10:00 a Bible Study @ Advocacy First 10:00 a Newsletter due Mary, mother of our Lord	8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	6:30 p Katie's Sister	18	9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution 2:00 p Kasunic/Scott Wedding
20 11th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 11:40 a Potluck/Voter's Assembly	8:30a-3:30p R.S. Classical Academy begins new year!	22	8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all St. Bartholomew, apostle	24	25 7:00 p Men's Gamenight	26 5-7 p Sunday School gamenight,/ Parent datenight
27 12th Sun. aft Pentecost 8:00 a Divine Service 9:15 a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30 a Divine Service 11:40 a Council budget mtg. 6:00 p Book of Concord study	28 8:30a-3:30p RSCA	29 Martyrdom St. John, Bapt.	8:30 a Matins Service 9:00 a Bible Study for all	31	8-9:30 a First Friday Trustee work	9-10 a Private Confession & Absolution
1 Derrick & Sarah Peters 2 Brooklyn Ford 3 Tom Fehlhafer 3 Pastor & Jodi Weinkauf 4 Anita Yarbrough 5 Jayden Kasunic 5 Bob & Eleanor Lenahan 6 Cathy Manis 6 Ella Gary 7 John Kasunic	9 Charlotte Newman 9 John & Kris Ball 9 Joht Hauk 9 Jett Hauk 9 Elizabeth Friedman 9 Sarah Howell 9 Tirzah Uhlmansiek 9 Heather Kingery 11 Dalton Johnson 12 Deborah Middlemas 12 Rebecka Hillyer 13 Jane Hunter	as 200 220 221 221 221 221 221 221 221 221	VITITIVE: w Arana anda Dupuis afer e Scharnhors	is ert	28 Isaac Kalebaugh 28 Erica Turney 28 Bret Curtis 29 Michael Savage 29 Hannah Hillyer 29 Maddy Becker 30 Emily Dunn 31 Terry Wade 31 Gloria Brimhall	

Thank You

To July cleaning families:

Woelk, Curtis, Albright, Johnson

If you wish to join the rotation contact:

Jeanette Curtis 913-370-6823.

For all those who gave blood -great turnout!

To all who sign-up for the Sunday morning breakfast snack.

For the 18 men who helped on the Garage building.

2023 Financial

Full report posted in Church Office. Less Dedicated Gifts and Expenses,

Through end of June:

Budget

\$222,293

Offerings

\$219,478

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\$213,770

Expenses

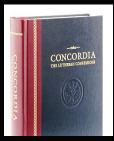
\$190,837

Book of Concord Study

Sunday, Aug. 27, 6 pm

Join us any time. Extra books always available. All welcome to come for an evening of enrichment in our Lutheran doctrine and Scriptural engagements, food, & refreshments. Childcare provided.

Usually last Sunday evening of the month.





LutheransForLife.org

"No matter what our days bring, God is the answer. His love never ends. His strength is our strength. He cares about each one of us in the most intimate of relationships. Through Jesus, we are His beloved children. We are here, in the land of the living, for His good purpose and at His will. Each day is a day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

"Every human life meets us as gift and privilege, created and redeemed and called by our Lord as His own precious treasure from fertilization to forever. And our life-affirming witness and service is surrounded and celebrated by a magnificent multitude of like-minded saints gone before, yet to come, and the world over."

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