**Weekly Happenings**

**Sunday, August 10, 2025**

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**SERVICE INFORMATION**

**Attendance**

Week of August 03

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***Acolyte –*** **August 10*-Vacant***

***Greeter –* August 10*-******Donna Taylor***

***Usher –* August 10*- Paul Blixrud***

***Altar Guild-* August 10-*Maey Ann Gross & Donna Taylor***

***Readers-* August 10*-Vacant***

***Communion Assistant-* August 10-Vacant**

***Tech-* August 10*-Gary Antes***

**Welcome**

***You are absolutely invited into this sacred space.  We welcome all who are seeking God’s love and grace.  All Saints recognizes that we are all unique and beloved children of God.  We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has given us.  We affirm the sacredness of people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions.  We affirm the sacredness of all those who have experienced exclusion because of race, ability, age, or culture. We are committed to working towards anti-racism in ourselves and our community. We affirm the sacredness of all those who wrestle with addiction, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us.  We believe that through our openness we all grow in our faith through Christ’s teaching to love one another as God loves us.  We need each other and our sincere hope is by being in community together, we will experience God’s presence in new and real ways.***

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**Birthdays**

**August 11 Heather Antes**

**August 14 Donna Taylor**

**Baptismal Birthdays**

**August 08 Pastor Sarah Pierce**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

*Monty Health Concerns (May 15)*

*Paul Health Concerns (May 31)*

*Mary Health Concerns (May 15)*

*James & Family Health Concerns (September 11)*

*Betty F (Sara’s friend) Health Concerns (July 15)*

*William and Family Health Concerns (September 25)*

*Becky H Health Concerns (October 28)*

*David Health Concerns (November 18)*

*Becky W Health Concerns (November 18)*

*Larry Health Issues (December 16)*

*Helen Health Issues (January 14)*

*Jennifer Health Concerns (February 27)*

*Otto Health Concerns (July 15)*

*Kay (Sara’s cousin) Health Concerns (**July 15)*

***Merciful God, your justice and mercy are without limits. Bring courage and resilience to those who resist tyranny with their words and their bodies. Strengthen those who fight for justice in your name in Los Angeles, across the country, and around the world.***

***Please pray for the people of Haiti, Ukraine, Israel and Palestine.***

***Please pray for the people of the Sudan.***

***Please pray for the Homeless.***

***Please pray for legal & illegal immigrants & those seeking asylum or citizenship.***

If you haven't made it to our physical services on Sundays you can still check out our services online. You can find us on Facebook Live every Sunday beginning at 9:15am.

**BLUE SPRINGS COMMUNITY SERVICE LEAGUE NEWS**

The BLUE SPRINGS COMMUNITY SERVICE LEAGUE is very appreciative of your continued support of your neighbor.

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**IMPORTANT DATES and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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| ***August 09*** | ***Men’s Group Breakfast 8:00 am*** |
| ***August 09*** | ***BS Back to School Bingo 1:00 p -3:00 pm***  |
| ***August 10*** | ***Baptismal Birthdays*** |
| ***August 12*** | ***Creative Friends 1:30 pm*** |
| ***August 13*** | ***Council Meeting 6:30 pm*** |
| ***August 19*** | ***Creative Friends 1:30 pm*** |
| ***August 20*** | ***Newsletter Deadline*** |
| ***August 23*** | ***Project Comfort 9:00 am-Noon*** |
| ***August 24*** | ***Pot Luck after Worship*** |
| ***August 26*** | ***Creative Friends 1:30 pm*** |
| ***August 31*** | ***Fifth Sunday Conversation*** |
| ***September 07*** | ***God’s Work. Our Hands/Zoo after Worship*** |
| ***September 14*** | ***Council Meeting 6:30 pm after Worship*** |
| ***September 22-23*** | ***Blue Springs Theatre 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*** |
| ***September 29-October 01*** | ***Blue Springs Theatre 7:00 pm-9:00 pm*** |
| ***September 28*** | ***Bishop Installation/Atonement Lutheran Church 5:00 pm Overland Park*** |
| ***October 04*** | ***Blessing of Animals TBA*** |
| ***October 12*** | ***Fall Work Day*** |
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* **August 10: Pastor Sarah will be at ASLC. We'll be exploring questions of privilege and power as Esther becomes queen.**
* **August 17: Pulpit swap! Pastor Sami will be at ASLC and Pastor Sarah will be at First in St. Joe. We'll be exploring how we speak about justice as Haman persecutes the Jewish people.**
* **August 24: Joint sermon! Pastor Sarah and Pastor Sami will both be at ASLC to preach together! We'll be exploring courage and strength as Esther and Mordecai work together to find justice.**
* **August 31: Pastor Sarah will be at ASLC for our 5th Sunday Conversation as we wrap up the book of Esther, talking about the power of stories to help us work through our desire for justice that looks like vengeance, when God's justice looks more like mercy.**

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*You may recall that there has been an announcement in the bulletin over the past year directing you to Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (LIRS) if you wish to support the people of Ukraine. LIRS has changed its name to Global Refuge and can be found at* ***globalrefuge.org****. Although their name has changed, their mission remains the same: to assist and support refugees in the United States and around the world. Visit their website to see all the ways you can support this important work.*

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Bishop Candea reminded us that as followers of Christ, we are to pray for and support the most vulnerable among us. She pointed out that right now, the most vulnerable people in the world are the women, children, and elderly people living in the Gaza Strip.

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If you feel called to do something to help, Lutheran World Relief is providing aid to civilians caught in the crisis in Israel and Palestine. You can donate directly at lwr.org/israel-gaza.

All members are welcome to attend regularly scheduled council meetings. Additionally, the Council would like to remind you that the most recent Council reports and minutes are available on the bulletin board in the narthex.

▪ If you need anything in the weekly happenings it should be submitted no later than Monday.

**YOUTH NEWS**

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**SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE**

Facebook is the place to find updated information that didn't make it to the newsletter or for new information.

You can find us on Facebook Live every Sunday beginning at 9:15am.

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**All Saints Lutheran Church**

We have moved our live Videos to YouTube. Here is the link:

**https://www.youtube.com/@AllSaintsLutheranChurch-bs**

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**SIMPLY GIVING**

To provide the best possible equitable income for ASLC, we encourage you to participate in “Simply Giving”, a program offering electronic donations to be provided directly from your bank account. Sign up is easy. Fill out the form located in the narthex, or you can find the form on our website by clicking here and giving to the church secretary. For more information, you are welcome to discuss with any council member.

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**Pastor Sarah's Link to her Sermon & Questions for Discussions**

**Pastor Sarah was on Vacation**

**https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKdwdmSPJdndwhKYV9jwsEQ/featured**

Reconciling Works strives to ensure RIC communities have what they need to continue their journey of welcome and I encourage you to bookmark this site or download and keep these resources handy.

**https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0BxSVXGUZxCCqQ1pudWpyRTE3SmM?resourcekey=0-5LxvtlMTdT\_--7mcKNGHig&usp=sharing**

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