

Friendly Messenger

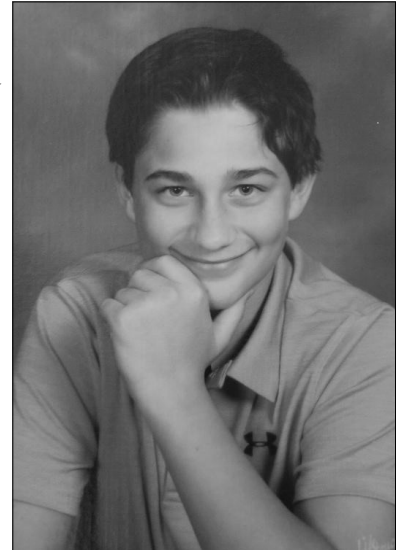
June 2019

In the Spotlight: Tryston Sylvester

We are journeying through the 50 Days of Easter, the length of the Easter season. During this time, we focus on the work God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We start to nourish the signs of new life that grew during Lent and focus on how Christ leads us into new life in and for the world.

These 50 Days lead to a very special moment in the life of the Church: Pentecost! On June 9th, we will remember the apostles receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit and celebrate the continued presence and activity of the Holy Spirit in the Church. On this festival day, we will also acknowledge the faith journey

Tryston Sylvester has walked in his two years of Confirmation classes. He will have completed the two-year catechetical process and will be confirmed as an adult in the Church. This is an occasion for joy for Tryston and his family, Sardis, and the universal Church.



About Tryston

Full name: Tryston Taylor Sylvester

Birthday: November 22, 2004

Baptized at Sardis: August 24, 2014

Favorite food: Pepperoni pizza from Little Caesars

Least favorite food: okra

Tryston is in the eighth grade and will be moving on to high school in the fall. This year his favorite class was Social Studies, especially when they studied the Revolutionary War and World War II. His least favorite class was Science. After school, Tryston likes to play sports such as lacrosse, soccer, and football. This summer, he will play on a travel lacrosse team which will take him to many different places across the state and out of state for games. He plays the attack position which is best explained as the scoring position. In response to what advice he would give to new players would be to listen to your coaches! Once school starts, he will try out for the lacrosse team at St. Stephens.

When he is not doing homework or playing sports, Tryston likes to watch tv and play video games with his friends. His favorite show is *The Big Bang Theory* and his favorite game is *Call of Duty*. He has also served faithfully in worship leadership as an acolyte and crucifer for many Sunday and festival services.

For two years, Tryston has attended a two-hour Confirmation class each month. We have gathered with the confirmation groups of St. Stephens, Beth Eden, Zion, Mt. Olive, and Startown Lutheran churches. Last year, we learned Luther's Small Catechism. This year, we started a new curriculum entitled *Confirm Not Conform* which encourages thinking deeply about questions of faith.

His favorite Confirmation session was on Holy Baptism when we had our lesson and then went outside for water games. One game we played was called *Melt the Ice* and it required teams to compete to see which one could melt five ice cubes the fastest! Each person holds the ice cube in their palms for as long as they can before they pass it to their teammate. Tryston was a champion in this game! He melted four out of the five ice cubes by himself (much to his teammate's relief) and his team won!

Confirmation is the culmination of a process of where a person takes the responsibility for his/her own baptismal vows and promises. It is not the end of faith formation, but rather the beginning. Let us continue to support Tryston in prayer as he continues on his faith walk.

We give thanks to God for Tryston and the gift of the Holy Spirit!

Blessings
Pastor Adrienne

Sardis Lutheran Church
Council Minutes
April 14, 2019

Members Present

Dwayne, Jane, Ken, Sherrie, Rick, Joe, Nelson, Carolyn, Terry,
Bruce, Tim, Pastor Adrienne

Members Absent

Becky

Dwayne called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Joe led the Council in devotions and prayer.

Terry read minutes from the March Council Meeting, two corrections were made. One to correct Ash to Ashe, the second was to correct "He will bring further information back to the Council in further meetings". Motion was made by Ken to accept the minutes as presented, Nelson seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Treasurer's report was given by Dwayne; Joe motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Ken seconded and the motion carried.

Pastor Adrienne gave her monthly report for March and upcoming events for April;

Visits = 27, Guest Preacher Debbie Martin, Lay Preaching Certification Program, March 17, Confirmation at Beth Eden, March 17, Evangelism Committee, March 19, Volunteer Dinner at Trinity Ridge, March 21, Presentation to Synod Council, March 22, Shepherd's Appreciation Dinner, March 23, Trinity Ridge, March 24,

Lenten Evening Service at Mt. Zion, Bishop Eaton at LRU, March 25th at 7pm, Hosted Fred T. Foard Seniors, April 3, Hosted Women of the ELCA Spring Conference, April 6, Attended funeral of Rev. Paul Christ, April 7, Joint Evening Lenten Service at Trinity Village, April 7, Steering Committee Conference Call, April 9, Confirmation at St. Paul's Startown, April 14

Pastor Adrienne stated that Zion wanted to join the Vacation Bible School this year. That will be a wonderful addition.

Pastor Adrienne stated that the new lights in the sign and her office made a wonderful difference. She thanked Rick Lutz and Roger Teague for their work to make this happen.

Pastor Adrienne commended Jane and Sheila for the work they had done this month preparing for the events of Holy Week.

Old Business

- Dwayne thanked Jane for all the work she has done on the Pictorial Directory.
- Dwayne stated that the backroom will be cleaned up. April is going to lead that effort.
- Ken reported from the Property Committee that the lights on the sign had been replaced, the office ceiling and lights in there have been replaced and that the work in the cemetery had been completed.
- Pastor Martin reported that licensing had been attained to allow Sardis to stream our worship services.
- Terry reported the AppWood Doors in Morganton has been retained to design and install new front doors and hardware. We are now awaiting designs from them for review by our committee.

New Business

- Dwayne gave out a sheet with the ideas generated at the Council Retreat on it. Dwayne asked the Council to spend some time with it this month and add some detail as to how we may accomplish some of the tasks.
- Jane reported that some members are exploring a church bowling team at Pin Station in Newton on Tuesday nights during the summer. They want permission to use the church's name in association with the team. Jane made a motion to allow them to use the church name with a team formed of members of Sardis. Tim seconded motion carried.
- Tim reported that the trash bins had been overflowing at some of the recent events and that we need to look into a second bin. Tim is to look into the costs.

Meeting adjourned with The Lord's Prayer

Submitted: Terry Bledsoe, Council Secretary



The **Fred T. Foard Senior Citizens** group meets on the first Wednesday of each month for lunch and a program. The group will meet June 5th at Grace Lutheran Church. All are invited to join us for fun, food, and fellowship.

Sunday School Teacher Needed for Preschool Class

Christian education is a central ministry in the church. It is how our children learn about God's love and the stories of the Bible. It will help equip them for the rest of our lives. We are currently in need of a teacher for our preschool Sunday School class. You would be volunteering to teach one Sunday a month. Please prayerfully consider taking this teaching opportunity! Contact April Fulbright or Pastor Adrienne if you can help out.

June's upcoming Sardis Sisters events.

June 4th 6:30pm Card making at Sardis. 3 cards \$5, Sympathy, Birthday and Get Well. Bring your own tape roller. Can purchase at AC Moore, Michaels, Wal-Mart



OPPORTUNITY SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH *The Hymn Choir*

We welcome you to join us in the choir room at 10:15am on the second Sunday each month to prepare for worship. Hymn Choir is an open invitation to members of the congregation to be part of the Music Ministry without weekly commitment.

Camp Agape

Saint Paul Lutheran Church Startown, is hosting Camp Agape in July. Further information will be forthcoming in bulletins and registration forms will be available in the narthex.

LUTHERAN SERVICES CAROLINAS

LUTHERAN SERVICES CAROLINAS is a growing non-profit health and human service organization dedicated to its mission and serving thousands of Carolinians annually. At the present time LSC is in need of toiletries. These items include:

Dental floss	Toothpaste and toothbrushes.
Hairbrushes and combs.	Shaving supplies.
Deodorant and bar soap	Liquid hand soap
Hand lotion	Toilet paper

Thank you for your support of LSC child and family services. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. If you prefer to make a cash donation in lieu of or in addition to an in-kind gift, please make checks payable to Lutheran Services Carolinas and write child and family services in the memo field. The deadline to collect these items is June 16th, 2019.

FROM THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Dinner and a Movie Night at Sardis Sponsored by the Evangelism Committee
Saturday Night June 8th, 2019
Dinner at 5:00pm
Movie at 6:00 pm
Dinner provided by Sardis Men- Hotdogs and Trimmings plus deserts



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3rd Annual Krispy Kreme 5K Run/Walk

Cash Fulbright and his pals, James & Allie are joining together again for the Krispy Kreme 5K on June 8th to help raise money and awareness for the Carcinoid Cancer Foundation in memory of Sister Mary Norman. The run/walk will be at LRU. Last year, Team Zebra Strong (supporting Kristin Teague) won the challenge and the MaryVale gang came in 2nd place. Please join us this year, select "The MaryVale Gang" group/team when you register. Remember--if you don't want to run or walk, you can be a phantom runner and still support the team! If "Mary Vale Gang" team wins the challenge, we will be donating the money to MaryVale Day Care School to help improvements at the school. Go to www.runtimeraces.com for more information and to register! Early registration deadline is May 28th. If you have questions, please see April or Cash Fulbright

WELCA NEWS & EVENTS

Confirmation Reception

The Congregation is invited to a reception in the fellowship hall after the church service on Sunday, June 9th. The reception will honor our Confirmand, Tryston Sylvester. Please plan to join us as we honor Tryston on this important day in his faith journey.

Father's Day

If you are a grandfather, father, son, brother, uncle or nephew make plans to attend our annual Father's Day Breakfast on Sunday, June 16th in the fellowship hall. We will begin serving at 8:00 am. Don't miss the delicious food and fellowship on this special day.

Bible Blast to the Past VBS will be June 16-20 at Plateau UMC, 630-830 PM

This will be a community VBS including Sardis, Plateau, Wesley Chapel and Zion. All ages are invited, from pre-K to adult. There will be an adult class each night from 7-8 PM. A light snack will be provided for the children during VBS. June 20th will be family night with the fire truck spraying water, so bring extra clothes. Zion is providing the meal and the other church's are responsible for bring homemade ice cream. Please take a registration form for your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends and encourage them to attend. The registration form should be completed and placed in April Fulbright's mailbox by June 9th. If you would like a poster to help advertise, please see April Fulbright.

Update on the progress of the 2018 Welcome Sub Committee's goals

The Evangelism Committee in collaboration with the Property Committee have been busy implementing the property goals of the Welcome Sub Committee that were approved by the council last December. Additional Handicapped signs and 2 visitors signs have been installed. In addition, the Playground Area has an additional swing and a sign inviting people to STOP, PLAY AND PRAY. Also in the near future, the brick sign that was erected in the 1950's will receive a facelift, a light and the correct service times will be listed. .

Plans are also well underway to create a Visitor's Welcome Bag. The bag will have Welcome to Sardis on the outside, with a Sardis, pen, cup, notepad, an Informational Brochure and a Service Guide inside. Greeters will need to inquire if new visitors would like a bag. The Informational brochure will identify the church officers, the mission of Sardis as well as list some of the many outreaches of the congregation. The Service Guide will direct visitors about the order of the service, the location of the different child care services, as well as the Communion method.

Soon congregational members will receive a car magnet that says *Joyfully Lutheran*, with a reference to 1st Thessalonians Chapter 5. verses 16-18.-*Rejoice, Pray and Give Thanks*. At the bottom is "Sardis Lutheran Church. ELCA." The Welcome Committee hopes congregational members will place this on the back of their cars/pickups/vans. When people ask about the magnet, it will give members a chance to tell about Sardis and invite all to worship.

Finally, the Welcome Committee is working on an "Informational Display" for the Narthex. This display will go on the wall between the doors that lead into the worship area and will have pictures of the church leaders as well as their titles so visitors can put faces with names. Underneath the display in that corner will be some type of table or cabinet with a large enough surface area to display the various informational brochures, announcements etc. that need to be made available for everyone.

BIRTHDAYS

- 6/1 Meredith Gladden
Margaret Whitener
- 6/2 Leevada Young Wood
- 6/3 Chelsea Midgett
- 6/4 Yvonne Kiser
- 6/5 Madison Shiffman
- 6/6 Karen Fulbright
- 6/7 Rylan Johnson
- 6/10 Jamie Shiffman
- 6/12 Wayne Jarrett
Lexi E. Little
- 6/13 Kay Whitener
Margaret Ham
- 6/15 Rodney Fulbright
- 6/20 Daniel Whitener
Marshall Whitener
- 6/23 Garry Richard
- 6/24 Alan Jarrett
- 6/25 Betty Nail
Kerby W. Smyre
- 6/27 Michelle F. Little
Rita Lutz
Bruce Sigman
- 6/30 Phyllis J. Biggerstaff

- Anniversaries:**
Bryan & Phyllis Hood 6-1
Joe & Scottie Wyant:6-6
Celeste R & Will Caulder 6-9
Mike & Sherrie Midgett 6-10
Garry & Leevada Wood 6-12
Mike & Felicia Hollar 6-16
Bruce & Sharon Sigman 6-16
Al & Sylvia King 6-19
Kay & Jack Whitener 6-28
Tyler & Sarah Grove 6-21
Gene & Donna Biggerstaff 6-29



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

ACOLYTE / CRUCIFER / COMMUNION ASSISTANT

- June 2nd** Marilyn Teague Kathy Weaver Joe Wyant
- June 9th** Samuel Biggerstaff Marilyn Teague Marilyn Teague
- June 16th** Jane Moretz Nena Babb Jon Gladden
- June 23rd** Tryston Sylvester Rick Johnson Jane Moretz
- June 30th** Ray Whitener Roger Teague Al King

USHERS

Tommy Hoyle, Wesley Weaver, Ethan Carroll, Ralph Stallings

ALTAR FLOWERS

- June 2nd** Al & Sylvia King
- June 9th** Ferne Baker
- June 16th** Gary & Leevada Wood
- June 23rd** Rick & Patsy Johnson / Ray and Betty Jo Weaver
- June 30th** Terry & Jill Bledsoe

LAY READERS & GREETERS

- June 2nd** Al King Sherrie Midgett, Nena Babb
- June 9th** Jon Gladden Evelyn Fulbright, Margaret Whitener
- June 16th** Jane Moretz Ben Fulbright, Jill Bledsoe
- June 23rd** Leevada Wood Felicia Hollar, Kay Whitener
- June 30th** Ray Whitener Ben Fulbright, Betty Sue Whitener

COMMUNION PREPARATION AND CLEAN-UP

Marilyn Teague Donna Biggerstaff

COUNCIL CONTACT

Ken Propst

ASSISTING MINISTER

Ray Whitener

SATURDAY MEAL DELIVERY

- June 1st** Carolyn Hoyle
- June 8th** No Meal Delivery
- June 15th** Donna Biggerstaff
- June 22nd** No Meal Delivery
- June 29th** Jill Bledsoe

OFFERING COUNTERS

- June 2nd** Sherrie Midgett, Patsy Johnson, Dwayne Whitener
- June 9th** Dwayne Whitener, Al King, Sylvia King
- June 16th** Sherrie Midgett, Mike Midgett, Dwayne Whitener
- June 23rd** Susan Jones, Nena Babb, Sandra Roseman
- June 30th** Sherrie Midgett, Mike Midgett, Dwayne Whitener

SECURITY

- June 2nd** Wayne Jarrett
- June 9th** Ralph Stallings
- June 16th** Darrell Jarrett
- June 23rd** Ben Whitener
- June 30th** Bruce Sigman

Delivery Week

- June 7th**
- June 14th**
- June 21st**
- June 28th**

BACKPACK PROGRAM

Gene & Donna Biggerstaff

Monthly Food Pickup

Warehouse

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES 2019
 Lauren Speagle—Western Piedmont Community College
 Cynthia Purcelle—Fred T. Foard High School

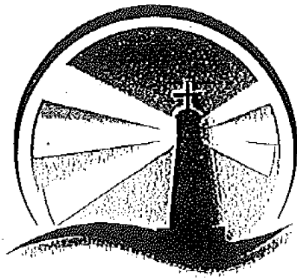


June 2019 Sardis Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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2 Sunday School 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Angels for Christ 4:00 WELCA 6	3	4 Sardis Sisters card making 6:30 at Sardis	5 Sardis Seniors 12 Grace Lu- theran Church Handbells 6 Choir 7	6	7	8 3rd Annual Krispy Kreme 5K, 8 Dinner/Movie 6
9 Sunday School 9:30 Hymn Choir 10:15 Worship Service and Confirmation 10:30 Confirmation Reception following Worship Service	10	11	12 Prayer Service 6:30 Handbells 6 Choir 7	13	14	15
16 Father's Day Breakfast 8 Sunday School 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 VBS at Plateau UMC 6:30 -8:30	17 VBS at Plateau UMC 6:30 -8:30	18 VBS at Plateau UMC 6:30 -8:30	19 VBS at Plateau UMC 6:30 -8:30	20 VBS at Plateau UMC 6:30 -8:30	21	22
23 Sunday School 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Baby Shower Sarah Groove 2-4 Trinity Ridge 3	24	25	26 Information for July Newsletter due in Office Handbells 6 Choir 7	27	28	29
30 Sunday School 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Prayer Group meets 11:45 LMM 6:30						

****NOTE****

If you have a birthday or anniversary and they are not listed please let the office know. Also, check your Family Bible and advise your baptismal date. Thank you.



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Providing a Christ centered community for rebuilding, renewing and recovery.

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Dear friends,
Thank you so much for your generous donation to Safe Harbor. You have just made an investment into second chances! We are humbly reminded that many of our donors give sacrificially so that women's lives can be restored.

We will forward you more information about Safe Harbor soon. Until then, know that you are already making a difference in women's lives.

Thank you!

Blessings and health,

Jackie

Be our guest!

Lunch and Tour

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

Lunch and Tour begins at 12 noon at ReSource

Warehouse and Gallery located at 451 11th

Street NW, Hickory, NC 28601.

Must RSVP to attend. 828-326-7233

Lunch and Tour is a complimentary event.

Meals graciously provided by Hannah's BBQ and Subway, Viewmont, NC