

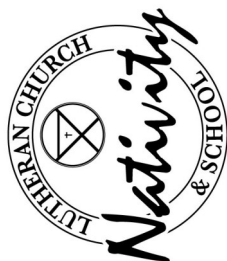
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NEWSLETTER OF NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL  
PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA

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## WORDS FROM

*Pastor Steve*

Dear Family and Friends of Nativity,

You have faithfully weathered an uncertain spring and summer with regards to COVID-19. Like any other year, now is the time to plan for the fall. Unfortunately we are not experiencing the relief from the virus we had hoped for. As stated in the past and outlined in the congregational survey we are holding off on returning to sanctuary worship until Palm Beach County realizes phase 2 of reopening. Please know that our return to physical sanctuary worship is a constant point of discussion. Nativity is moving forward in faith that this too will pass. May the uncertainty of all that is around us be tempered by the knowledge that the church of God goes on! In the meantime we will be committing our efforts to an increased digital/online presence. Please take note below of how you can be intentional about participating in nurturing your faith and engage in fellowship too.

### Sunday Worship

Live on Facebook and Zoom at 9:30AM for the foreseeable future.

Live on Facebook: @PBNativity

Zoom Worship and Fellowship

**Video:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85057994268>

Or

**Phone** (Land line or mobile)

o Dial +1 646 558 8656 US

o Enter Meeting ID: 850 5799 4268#

o Press # as you are a participant.

### **Coffee w/Pastor Steve**

Join Pastor Steve on Mondays from 9-10AM on Zoom app via video or phone. This is a time for questions, comments and general fellowship. Begins on Monday 7/27. I hope to see you then!

**Video:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86839470399>

Or

**Phone** (Land line or mobile)

- o Dial +1 646 558 8656 US
- o Enter Meeting ID: 868 3947 0399#
- o Press # as you are a participant.

### **Holding Your Family Together**

After the kids have gone to bed (or are in their rooms on devices), instead of binge watching another Netflix series log onto Zoom and stream some knowledge from one another. Join Pastor Steve for an easy read book study on how to bring your family closer to God and one another. This is for parents and grandparents alike. For anyone!

Six weeks on Wednesdays from 9/2 10/7, 8-9PM on Zoom.

*Serious about the after kids go to bed comment!*

**Video:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83736947276>

Or

**Phone** (Land line or mobile)

- Dial +1 646 558 8656 US
- Enter Meeting ID: 837 3694 7276#
- Press # as you are a participant.

Buy the book at <https://store.faithink.com/products/holding-your-family-together-by-dr-rich-melheim> Contact Pastor Steve/ church office if you need help purchasing the book.

### **BLAST!**

BLAST! (Bible Learning and Sharing Together) is Nativity's brand-new PK to 5th grade on-line youth group that meets on the **first and third Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-7:30PM**. The first Wednesday of the month will feature a virtual field trip and faith exploration. The third Wednesday will feature a follow-along science experiment and Bible study. BLAST! will be led by Dr. Shonda Staudtski. Parents and older siblings are welcome to be a part of BLAST!

BLAST! launches for the first time on Wednesday **August 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30PM**. RSVP to [cpateach13@gmail.com](mailto:cpateach13@gmail.com) by **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, so Dr. Staudtski knows how many experiment kits to assemble. Experiment kits will be available for pick up on church front steps in a storage bin the Monday prior. *The video-conferencing platform (Zoom or Google Meet) will be announced at a later date.*

### OUR *Staff*

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& Extended Care  
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& Early Care  
Theresa Saccone, Teacher Asst.  
Sarah Kasher, Teacher Asst.



**God's work...**

**...Our hands**

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# DAYS TO Celebrate

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

|      |                   |      |                    |
|------|-------------------|------|--------------------|
| 8/3  | Dana Burnett      | 8/19 | Emma-Jade Cantrell |
| 8/4  | Sandy McClellan   | 8/20 | Beatrice Ely       |
| 8/7  | Brian Donnelly    | 8/20 | Earl Osborne       |
| 8/7  | Ethan Ford        | 8/21 | David Willoughby   |
| 8/8  | Evelyn Bloor      | 8/25 | Carolyn Schwartz   |
| 8/8  | Hazel Smith       | 8/26 | Shonda Staudt      |
| 8/8  | Fred Zirot        | 8/30 | Diane Lynch        |
| 8/10 | Jim Guretzky      |      |                    |
| 8/10 | Mary Winsor       |      |                    |
| 8/11 | Jim Johnson       |      |                    |
| 8/12 | Charlotte Johnsen |      |                    |
| 8/13 | Caleb Ellis       |      |                    |
| 8/14 | Lois Erickson     |      |                    |



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

|      |                             |
|------|-----------------------------|
| 8/5  | Sergio & Kara Gonzalez      |
| 8/6  | Michael & Jane Keith        |
| 8/6  | Mike & Abby Moore           |
| 8/13 | Steve & Shonda Staudt       |
| 8/24 | Jim & Betsy Johnson         |
| 8/28 | Anthony & Beatrice Greenall |
| 8/30 | Jim & Leigh Clark           |

If you would like to share your birthday and/or anniversary with the church, please send your information to [kari@pbnativity.com](mailto:kari@pbnativity.com).

### **MS/HS Youth**

Will reconvene/reboot on the first and third Sundays of the month from 6:30-7:30PM beginning August 4<sup>th</sup>. Use Zoom link below...

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81095050386>

### **Bible, Bagels and Brew Bible Study**

Join Pastor Steve and friends Tuesday mornings at 9AM on the Zoom app. This is a time of Bible study, sharing and caring from the comfort of your home. All are welcome. No Bible experience needed, just an openness to learning and experiencing God's love for you in Jesus Christ.

**Video:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85180298593>

Or

**Phone** (Land line or mobile)

- o Dial +1 646 558 8656 US
- o Enter Meeting ID: 851 8029 8593#
- o Press # as you are a participant.

### **GROUNDING An On-line Men's Group**

All types of fellas are welcome to a weekly gathering of faith and fellowship on Wednesdays from 7-8AM on the Zoom app. via video or phone beginning Wednesday, August 12. The format will be conversation centered around a biblical devotion. Start your day off right. Get that midweek recharge. Be GROUNDED in your faith with men of all walks of life wanting to do life right.

**Video:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86767586678>

Or

**Phone** (Land line or mobile)

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- o Enter Meeting ID: 867 6758 6678#
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## UPCOMING WORSHIP READINGS & HYMNS

Sunday bulletins can be found on [pbnativity.com](http://pbnativity.com) under "sermons" for you to follow along during the service. "Live" services can be found on facebook, Nativity Lutheran Church and School. Videos of Sunday services will be available within 24 hours on [pbnativity.com](http://pbnativity.com).

**Sunday, August 2 9:30 AM Online**

**Hymn #627, verses 1 & alternate text 4**  
**"O Day Full of Grace"**

1 O day full of grace that now we see  
appearing on earth's horizon,  
bring light from our God that we may be  
abundant in joy this season.

God, shine for us now in this dark place;  
your name on our hearts emblazon.

4 As birds in the morning sing their praise,  
God's fatherly love we cherish,  
for giving to us this day of grace,  
for life that shall never perish.  
The church God has kept two thousand years,  
and hungering souls did nourish.

### Deuteronomy 5:12-15


<sup>12</sup>Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work — you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

### Matthew 11:28-30

<sup>28</sup>Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

## REMEMBERING THOSE WHO

*Serve*



|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Chereck, Donovan</b>      | US Navy-S. Carolina, Nephew of Osbornes                     |
| <b>Dodd, Chas</b>            | US Army-NC, Nephew of Lauren Oliveri                        |
| <b>Duncan, Kristen</b>       | USAF-Salt Lake City, UT, Friend of Glazeners                |
| <b>Duncan, Tyler</b>         | USAF-Salt Lake City, UT, Friend of Glazeners                |
| <b>Fredericks, Barry Jr.</b> | US Navy-Japan, Nephew of Denise Varlik-Joseph               |
| <b>Gaines, Drew</b>          | US Army-Germany, Son of Shirley Manko                       |
| <b>Glazener, Matt</b>        | US Army-Missouri, Brother of Mark Glazener                  |
| <b>Griffin, Joseph</b>       | US Air Force-Azores, Nephew of Ralph & Teri Henning         |
| <b>Malloy, Brian</b>         | US Navy-Washington, Cousin of Matt Flynn                    |
| <b>Malloy, Christina</b>     | US Army-Hawaii, Cousin of Matt Flynn                        |
| <b>Malloy, Jason</b>         | USAF-Turkey, Cousin of Matt Flynn                           |
| <b>Malloy, Tom</b>           | USMC-N. Carolina, Cousin of Matt Flynn                      |
| <b>Olson III, Robert A.</b>  | Army-Colorado Springs, CO, Friend of the school             |
| <b>Pittman, Mercedes</b>     | US Army-Ft. Carson, CO, Daughter of Harold & Debra Pittman  |
| <b>Scalise, Frank IV</b>     | USMC-Yuma, AZ, Grandson of Dale & Sue Long                  |
| <b>Sioson, Ernie</b>         | US Air Force, Salt Lake City, UT, Brother of Ernadel Sioson |

### THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Thrivent members please remember to direct your Choice Dollars. They can be directed towards a charity or church of your choice.



# NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## TREASURER'S REPORT - JUNE 2020

### BALANCE SHEET RECAP OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTS

| <u>Assets:</u>                   |                              |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 72,621                           | Operating Cash               |
| 1,500                            | PPP Loan (Unused Portion)    |
| 50,731                           | MIF (Demand Checking)        |
| <u>124,752</u>                   | <u>Total Bank Accounts</u>   |
| <u>Liability:</u>                |                              |
| \$ (58,100)                      | Park National PPP Loan       |
| (18,660)                         | Mission Investment Fund Loan |
| <u>(76,660)</u>                  |                              |
| <u>Restricted Fund Balances:</u> |                              |
| \$ 4,426                         | Capital Fund                 |
| 312                              | Here, Near, Far Children     |
| 1,963                            | Memorial Fund                |
| 200                              | MIF Principal Paydown        |
| (121)                            | Morrissey Fund               |
| 2,300                            | Preschool-Continuing Ed      |
| 1,950                            | Youth Fund                   |
| <u>\$ 11,030</u>                 |                              |

### 2020 CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS

| INC & EXP STMT | Other Exp | Other Cash Activity | SUBTOTAL      | OPERATING    |           |
|----------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| CHURCH         | MIF Princ | PPP Loan (Apr)      | CASH ACTIVITY | CASH BALANCE |           |
| & SCHOOL       | & Other   |                     | ACTUAL OR     | ACTUAL OR    |           |
| REV LESS (EXP) | B/S Items | Golf Outing (Nov)   | PROJECTED     | PROJECTED    |           |
|                |           |                     |               | \$ 63,215    | 1/1/2020  |
| JAN 20,351     | (435)     |                     | 19,916        | 83,131       | 1/31/2020 |
| FEB (311)      | (884)     |                     | (1,195)       | 81,936       | 2/29/2020 |
| MAR (186)      | (1,214)   |                     | (1,400)       | 80,536       | 3/31/2020 |
| APR 6,420      |           | 58,100              | 64,520        | 145,056      | 4/30/2020 |
| MAY (11,478)   | (450)     |                     | (11,928)      | 133,128      | 5/31/2020 |
| JUNE (7,928)   | (448)     |                     | (8,376)       | 124,752      | 6/30/2020 |
| JULY (13,207)  | (450)     |                     | (13,657)      | 111,095      | Projected |
| AUG (1,919)    | (450)     |                     | (2,369)       | 108,726      | Projected |
| SEPT 2,583     | (450)     |                     | 2,133         | 110,859      | Projected |
| OCT 3,525      | (450)     |                     | 3,075         | 113,934      | Projected |
| NOV (7,531)    | (450)     | 9,500               | 1,519         | 115,453      | Projected |
| DEC 6,745      | (450)     |                     | 6,295         | 121,748      | Projected |

### Hymn #611, all verses "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

### APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Hymn #580, verses 1 & 4 "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

- 1 How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call  
to live according to your word and daily learn, refreshed, restored,  
that you are Lord of all, and will not let us fall.
- 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, together or alone,  
in old routines or ventures new, may we not cease to look to you,  
the cross you hung upon, all you endeavored done.

**Sunday, August 9, 9:30 AM Online**

**Hymn #521, verses 1, 2 & 4  
"O Day of Rest and Gladness"**

- 1 O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,  
O balm for care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright:  
on you the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
sing, "Holy, holy, holy," to the great God triune.
- 2 On you, at earth's creation, the light first had its birth;  
on you, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
on you, our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heav'n;  
and thus on you, most glorious, a threefold light was giv'n.
- 4 New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest,  
we reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.  
We sing to you our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son;  
the church its voice upraises to you, blest Three in One.

**Genesis 2:1-3**

<sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

**John 15:9-15**

<sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

**Hymn #595  
"Jesus Loves Me!"**

- 1 Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

**NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

SIX MONTH RECAP--JANUARY-JUNE 2020

| CHURCH             | JUNE<br>ACTUAL  | JUNE<br>BUDGET  | JUNE<br>VARIANCE | YTD JAN-JUNE<br>6 MONTH ACTUAL | 2020 ANNUAL<br>BUDGET | YTD % OF<br>ANNUAL BUDGET |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>      |                 |                 |                  |                                |                       |                           |
| Tithes & Offerings | 29,055          | 16,000          | 13,055           | 121,377                        | 222,800               | 54%                       |
| Building Use       | 1,850           | 1,600           | 250              | 11,224                         | 24,500                | 46%                       |
| Other Revenue      | 134             | 3,110           | (2,976)          | 6,885                          | 9,465                 | 73%                       |
|                    | <u>31,039</u>   | <u>20,710</u>   | <u>10,329</u>    | <u>139,486</u>                 | <u>256,765</u>        | <u>54%</u>                |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>    |                 |                 |                  |                                |                       |                           |
| Payroll Costs      | (17,837)        | (13,136)        | (4,702)          | (78,908)                       | (168,214)             | 47%                       |
| Other Expenses     | (10,212)        | (13,162)        | 2,951            | (48,924)                       | (103,040)             | 47%                       |
|                    | <u>(28,049)</u> | <u>(26,298)</u> | <u>(1,751)</u>   | <u>(127,831)</u>               | <u>(271,254)</u>      | <u>47%</u>                |
| NET INC (EXP)      | <u>2,990</u>    | <u>(5,588)</u>  | <u>8,578</u>     | <u>11,655</u>                  | <u>(14,489)</u>       | <u>-80%</u>               |

| SCHOOL          | JUNE<br>ACTUAL  | JUNE<br>BUDGET  | JUNE<br>VARIANCE | YTD JAN-JUNE<br>6 MONTH ACTUAL | 2020 ANNUAL<br>BUDGET | YTD % OF<br>ANNUAL BUDGET |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>   |                 |                 |                  |                                |                       |                           |
| Tuition Revenue | (642)           | -               | (642)            | 62,265                         | 131,000               | 48%                       |
| Other Revenue   | 3,610           | 2,083           | 1,527            | 7,388                          | 10,000                | 74%                       |
|                 | <u>2,968</u>    | <u>2,083</u>    | <u>885</u>       | <u>69,653</u>                  | <u>141,000</u>        | <u>49%</u>                |
| <b>EXPENSES</b> |                 |                 |                  |                                |                       |                           |
| Payroll Costs   | (12,106)        | (7,476)         | (4,630)          | (60,375)                       | (119,500)             | 51%                       |
| Other Expenses  | (1,780)         | (2,624)         | 844              | (14,067)                       | (28,760)              | 49%                       |
|                 | <u>(13,886)</u> | <u>(10,100)</u> | <u>(3,786)</u>   | <u>(74,442)</u>                | <u>(148,260)</u>      | <u>50%</u>                |
| NET INC (EXP)   | <u>(10,918)</u> | <u>(8,016)</u>  | <u>(2,902)</u>   | <u>(4,789)</u>                 | <u>(7,260)</u>        | <u>66%</u>                |

**COMBINED CHURCH & SCHOOL**

|                 | JUNE<br>ACTUAL  | JUNE<br>BUDGET  | JUNE<br>VARIANCE | YTD JAN-JUNE<br>6 MONTH ACTUAL | 2020 ANNUAL<br>BUDGET | YTD % OF<br>ANNUAL BUDGET |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>INCOME</b>   | 34,007          | 22,793          | 11,214           | 209,139                        | 397,765               | 53%                       |
| <b>EXPENSES</b> | <u>(41,935)</u> | <u>(36,398)</u> | <u>(5,537)</u>   | <u>(202,273)</u>               | <u>(419,514)</u>      | <u>48%</u>                |
| NET REV (EXP)   | <u>(7,928)</u>  | <u>(13,605)</u> | <u>5,676</u>     | <u>6,866</u>                   | <u>(21,749)</u>       | <u>-32%</u>               |

COMMENTS:

At our January 2020 Congregational Meeting, a resolution to change Nativity's fiscal year to a calendar year was approved. In May, at our Zoom Budget Meeting, that resolution was officially adopted by our congregation.

In the report above, I am presently current operations compared to our newly adopted calendar-year budget. As we enter the lean months of June, July and August, I felt the % of Annual Budget was a more meaningful presentation YTD; especially given the uncertainty of social distancing restrictions.

Variance observations:

Church: favorable variance in Offerings is a result of \$12,000 of prepaid Tithes & Offerings.

School: School Tuition of (\$642) was the result of a refund request for prepaid tuition in May, and Other Revenue is from the Summer Camp Program.

*Respectfully submitted, Carolynne New, Treasurer*

## Staff Reports

**Office Manager:** Written report submitted by Kari Donnelly. Incoming offerings decreased in July. Newsletter items are due July 23.

**Preschool Report:** Written report submitted by Pia Heiser. Week 8 of Summer Camp is ongoing. Per CDC guidelines, no group larger than 10, temperature/health check every morning and at midday. Visitors also have temperature check. Children remain in the same group all day. Teachers wear gloves during all bathroom and disinfect after bathroom trips.

During the summer Pia has been attending continuing education and renewing her certifications in CPR, first aid, AED and bloodborne pathogens.

Pia suggests that the preschool delay their start date to 8/24. This date will be a good position with the public school start date presently unknown. She also suggests that instead of the traditional 10 payments, that this school year the payments be 1/2 in August, 9 payments and 1/2 in June. ELC (Early Learning Coalition) announced on 7/17 that VPK will be paid for for each enrolled student regardless of attendance (for now).

Survey Monkey Parent Survey Results were shared. As a result of the survey, the following practices will be implemented:

Teacher/Parent Conferences, Regular parent meetings on Zoom, Zoom staff training.

## Committee Reports

**Community Ministry Report:** From Julius Roehl- Second Saturday Sandwiches are a cottage industry with sandwich makers picking up a kit to make them at home and then returning the made sandwiches. At this time, Julius and Linda need someone to take over this ministry, as they have been advised that they need to quarantine for health reasons. They are happy to mentor the person(s) taking over beginning in September.

Third Saturday Sandwiches continue under the direction of Nancy Steffen.

Gardening is on hold due to summer heat. Grandpa Straw Hat plans to return in mid-September.

Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup>, "God's Work, Our Hands" Looking to work on a project with the tent city homeless. Breanne will contact and reach out to Francky Pierre-Paul of A Different Shade of Love.

**Preschool Board:** Minutes from July 7<sup>th</sup> meeting presented and reviewed, Survey Monkey results were reviewed by the board.

## Next Council Meeting TBD at 6:30 PM

Adjourned at 8:00 PM with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Breanne Johnsen  
Council Secretary

## Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's gates to open wide;  
he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. *Refrain*

3 Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside me all the way;  
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.  
*Refrain*

## Hymn #742

### "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;  
oh, what needless pain we bear--  
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge-- take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you;  
you will find a solace there.

## Sunday, August 16, 9:30 AM Online

### Hymn #586, verses 1,3 & 4

#### "This Is a Day, Lord, Gladly Awaited"

- 1 This is a day, Lord, gladly awaited;  
thankful our hearts, Lord, joyous our praise.  
See here before you two whom we cherish;  
keep them beside you all of their days.
- 3 Sow in their hearts, Lord, seeds of compassion;  
reap in their lives, Lord, care for your earth.  
May they encourage others by being  
signs of God's new age coming to birth.
- 4 Hallow the years, Lord, they spend together,  
growing in love, Lord, as you intend;  
freely forgiving, time without number;  
selflessly living, time without end.

## Deuteronomy 15:1-2, 7-11

<sup>1</sup>Every seventh year you shall grant a remission of debts. <sup>2</sup>And this is the manner of the remission: every creditor shall remit the claim that is held against a neighbor, not exacting it of a neighbor who is a member of the community, because the LORD's remission has been proclaimed. <sup>7</sup>If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. <sup>8</sup>You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. <sup>9</sup>Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, "The seventh year, the year of remission, is near," and therefore view your needy neighbor with hostility and give nothing; your neighbor might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. <sup>10</sup>Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. <sup>11</sup>Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, "Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbor in your land."

## Luke 15:11-32

<sup>11</sup>Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup>When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup>But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' <sup>20</sup>So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup>for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup>Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>He called one

## MINUTES FROM

*Council*

### PENDING APPROVAL

### Nativity Lutheran Church Council Meeting Monday July 20, 2020

Called to order at 6:33 PM

Present: Pastor Steve Winsor, Kelly Rogers, Earl Osborne, Carolyne New, Breanne Johnsen, Julius Roehl, Shonda Staudt (Please note that this meeting was conducted via the Zoom Platform due to Covid-19)

Absent and Excused: None

Special Guests: Jim New

Council Meeting Minutes from June 15, 2020 reviewed by council.

Motion to approve, seconded, approved on voice vote.

**Opening Devotion:** Pastor Steve Winsor

**Treasurer's Report:** Carolyne New provided brief verbal update. We have used all the PPP funds. When Carolyne returns from her travels, she and Earl will begin the process of applying for forgiveness.

**Vice President's Report:** Earl Osborne reported that we have officially changed insurance agencies- 2 of our 3 insurers remain the same. Earl reports that our agent is efficient and helpful. If council/staff needs insurance documents, they can be contacted directly, but Earl asks that he be looped in as he is the contact of record.

At this time, Jim New joined us as a guest. We have received a revised LOI from FLF to sell the land minus our current footprint (+) ½ the current parking lot. Earl is going to request an amended site plan with exact dimensions. Council requests that we be given 2 additional weeks to do fact finding.

The architect is coming this week to take measurements to allow him to work on a site plan for the church.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Steve Winsor

Pastor Steve presented the results of the worship survey. Council discussed that a return to in person worship must wait until the county has entered Phase 2. Pastor Steve presented the worship plans for the return.

Drive through communion served 20 on 7/19. Pastor Steve recommends continuing drive through communion when in person services resume (initial return to worship plans do not include communion).

Pastor Steve has set up a meeting with Synod, St. John's Lutheran Council to facilitate discussion of ministry with St. John's for Thursday July 23 at 1 PM via Zoom.



## FEEDING THE HUNGRY

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Super Sandwich Makers Continue to Help Feed Our Needy Neighbors

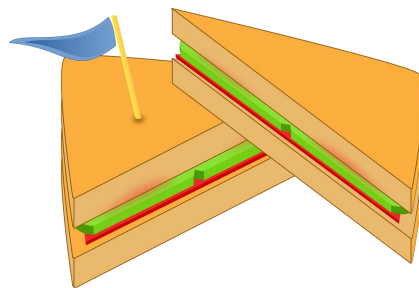
ON 2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY JULY 11, 330 SANDWICHES WERE DELIVERED TO ST. GEORGE'S. The 6 sandwich kits were assembled by: The Kreidler Family- Jim, Donna, Ann & Lauren; Kari & Brian Donnelly; Caitlyn, Dylan, & Nancy Morrissey; and Karyn & Lois Howerton. Thank You. Thanks too to Thrivent Financial who support our sandwich making.

Here's how it works. We put into a kit all the ingredients you need to make 55 sandwiches. You pick up the kits Friday at 1 PM (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month), put the sandwiches together at home and return them to Nativity at 9:30 am on (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month). We deliver them to St. George's, along with healthy granola bars instead of cookies.

If you are interested, you can use the signup genius on Nativity's website. Our next project is Friday and Saturday August 7 & 8.

There are 3 kits left for August.

**HELP NEEDED! JULIUS & LINDA ROEHL HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY THEIR DOCTORS TO AVOID BEING IN ANY PUBLIC PLACE. THAT MEANS THEY MUST NOT SHOP FOR SANDWICH SUPPLIES, NOT DELIVER SANDWICHES TO ST. GEORGE'S, ETC. THEY RELUCTANTLY WILL GIVE UP LEADING THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SATURDAY SANDWICH MAKING AFTER AUGUST 8. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO REPLACE THEM!! FREE ORIENTATION AND TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED!!! ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL Julius @561-632-0442 or Linda @561-493-8873.**



### 480 MORE SANDWICHES CONTRIBUTED TO ST. GEORGE'S THE THIRD SATURDAY IN JULY

Saturday, July 18, another 480 sandwiches were made to help feed the needy. A big THANK YOU to these helpers: Audra Bryson, Kari Donnelly, Pia Heiser, Hedy Rossmeissl, Nancy Steffen, Katie Steffen & Dylan, and the Winsor family. If you want to help Saturday, August 15 contact Nancy Steffen @ 561-281-4353.

of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup>He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup>Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup>But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup>Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

### Hymn #460

#### "Now the Silence"

Now the silence Now the peace Now the empty hands uplifted  
Now the kneeling Now the plea  
Now the Father's arms in welcome  
Now the hearing Now the pow'r  
Now the vessel brimmed for pouring  
Now the body Now the blood Now the joyful celebration  
Now the wedding Now the songs  
Now the heart forgiven leaping Now the Spirit's visitation  
Now the Son's epiphany Now the Father's blessing Now Now Now

### Hymn #543

#### "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

- 1 "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river  
I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
- 2 "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Here you heard my dear Son's story,  
here you touched him, saw his glory.  
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."
- 3 "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.  
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.  
Here my Spirit's power filled you,  
here my tender comfort stilled you.  
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

**Hymn #576**

**"We All Are One in Mission"**

- 1 We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.  
A single great commission compels us from above  
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
- 2 We all are called to service, to witness in God's name.  
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:  
to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace,  
so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3 Now let us be united, and let our song be heard.  
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.  
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

**Genesis 1:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**Matthew 6:30-34**

<sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you — you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup>"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

**Hymn #802, verses 1, 3 & 4**  
**"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"**

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure,  
through a world that would deceive us and to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in his footsteps treading, travelers here, our home above,

Emma-Jade Cantrell and Ernadel Sioson delivered an orchid, balloon and card to Julius Roehl after his hospital stay in early July. Julius, also known as Grandpa Strawhat by the preschoolers, was surprised and pleased.



**IN SYMPATHY**

Jim New's youngest son, Eric passed away on Tuesday, June 30. He leaves behind three children ages 10, 11 and 14. Please keep the New family in your prayers.

# PRESCHOOL

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## SUMMER CAMP FUN

Nativity had a small summer camp during June and July. The kids had fun each Wednesday for bike day where they could bring their bike or scooter and each Thursday and Friday were water days. Ms. Diane had them make crafts for Father's Day and 4th of July along with some awesome paint projects led by Emma-Jade Cantrell. Thank you to Emma-Jade and Laurel Winsor for volunteering.



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Savior's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where you guide.

- 3 Let us gladly die with Jesus. Since by death he conquered death,  
he will free us from destruction, give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion that would lead us into sin;  
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heaven.  
Jesus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.
- 4 Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead  
that to life we may awaken. Jesus, you are now our head,  
we are your own living members; where you live, there we shall be  
in your presence constantly, living there with you forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be; life eternal grant to me.

### Hymn #805

#### "Lead On, O King Eternal!"

- 1 Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come;  
henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home.  
Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong;  
and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.
- 2 Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;  
for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,  
but deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.
- 3 Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears,  
for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears.  
Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light;  
the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

**Sunday, August 30, 9:30 AM Online**

### Hymn #810

#### "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

- 1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
remain forever near me, my master and my friend.  
I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.
- 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ever near.  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.



- 3 Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.  
Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.
- 4 O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you  
that where you are in glory your servant shall be too.  
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

### 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." <sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

### John 1:1-18

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. <sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks

ahead of me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

### Hymn #817, verses 1,3 & 4

#### "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore  
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,  
but only asking for me to follow.

#### *Refrain*

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes;  
kindly smiling, you've called out my name.  
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;  
now with you, I will seek other seas.

- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,  
working love for the rest of the weary--  
a love that's willing to go on loving. *Refrain*

- 4 You who have fished other waters;  
you, the longing of souls that are yearning:  
O loving Friend, you have come to call me. *Refrain*

### Hymn #551, verses 1, 3 & 4

#### "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

- 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name  
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed  
and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.  
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

***Thank you to all for your continued support!***