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WORDS FROM

Our Interim Pastor

Welcome to June! Lots of good stuff in June, but June 9 is at the top of my list of special days this month. I've already shared with you that Donna and I celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary that day. It's a Saturday, so you can bet that I'll be a bit "off" in the pulpit on Sunday – won't get to PBG until pretty late that Saturday night. Please forgive!

Another "personal" bit of information is that I'll be on vacation for about three weeks in July. More details in next month's newsletter, but I wanted you to have a "heads up."

I'm writing this just after our Annual Meeting Spring Session on May 21, and I want to take a special moment for focused "thanks" to a variety of Nativity folk as outcomes of that meeting:

For "all y'all" who showed up. At the end of that meeting I told those who gathered how grateful I am for the positive attitude and respectful openness evidenced at that event. It was especially obvious since it was quite a different context from my first "interim duty" I had with you two years ago at that same event. Thanks ALL! This was especially evident as the congregation considered and approved without dissenting vote the decision to offer for sale the unused northernmost portion of our land – the kind of issue that could have provoked some heat.

To David Johnson for the leadership gifts he shared as President in that role for most of my time with you. I took special note of that and was grateful be able to share it publicly at that meeting.

I've said it before and I'll say it again. I think that Nativity has been blessed by extraordinarily gifted leaders over the years, but this current Congregation Council – as a whole – is as excellent a group of leaders as one could hope for [including Jenelle Smith who accepted appointment to David Johnson's recently vacated seat].

Special thanks to our President, Kelly Rogers [what a sparkplug who leads by example!] andCarolyn New and Earl Osborne [who have tirelessly labored to provide a new financial oversight structure to Nativity and provided a remarkable clear and balance budget for our consideration at the meeting].

We welcome to service our new Nominating Committee elected at that meeting. Without a huge amount of fanfare, we can now say that the structural and organizational requirements of our constitution and bylaws are now finally and fully implemented.

And last, but not least, we were advised at that meeting that our Call Committee is entering the interview process relating to the call for Nativity's new pastor. Add yours to our regular and fervent prayers for the Holy Spirit's blessing on that whole process.

Blessings all!
Pastor Lutze

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9:30 a.m.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



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OTHER CHURCH Leaders

Prayer Chain: Sandy McClellan

S.O.A.P. (kids' group):
Mark & Sharon Glazener

Women's Ministry: Ceil Thomas



God's work...

...Our hands

DAYS TO Celebrate

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

6/1	Trenton Cirullo	6/21	Emily Greenall
6/3	Timothy Lynch	6/25	Sergio Gonzalez
6/4	Don Laven		
6/7	Beverly Eubanks		
6/7	Pia Heiser		
6/8	Maureen Lyew Fong		
6/9	Dennis Johnson		
6/11	Hedy Rossmessl		
6/17	James New		
6/19	Nancy Atchley		



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

6/9	Brian & Nancy Morrissey
6/12	Jim & Pat Guretzky
6/15	Don & Audrey Laven
6/22	Chad & Jenelle Smith
6/25	Bob & Kathy Brockelbank
6/29	Stuart & Sandy McClellan
6/29	Earl & Sue Osborne

SNOWBIRDS INFORMATION

To all of our snowbirds heading back up north soon, please be sure to let the church office know of your dates so that we can keep your mail going to the correct address. Send your information to kari@pbnativity.com or call 561-622-4998.

UPCOMING Events

LEAST COIN

Love Circle's last meeting before the summer break is June 11th. At this meeting we count the Least Coin (loose change) that we have been saving for the last year. This is not a fund raiser, it is The Fellowship of the Least Coin and has been around since 1956. The money collected is sent out by an International Committee as a grant to people who are selected on basis of need. There are programs of literacy, health, social concern, leadership development and sometimes disaster relief. These grants help women and children to have a better life. It is a Women's Ministry that is a powerful force in bringing about justice, harmony and peace in the world. Along with prayer, we can see that even the smallest things can be used by God.

This year Love Circle is inviting you to be a part of this ministry. All you need to do is bring your least coins to our service on June 10th and place them in the container supplied. No paper money, ALL COINS PLEASE. Everyone can be a part of this fellowship of love and caring.

Ceil Thomas, Love Circle.

SANDWICH MAKING

Do you have an hour to spare on Saturday, June 16? Come join us in the fellowship hall as we prepare hundreds of sandwiches for the homeless and hungry.

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

Three of our youth, Sara Hoekstra, Caitlin Morrissey and Dylan Morrissey will be traveling along with chaperone Kelly Hoekstra to Houston, Texas June 27 through July 1. There they will be attending the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering and their days will be spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship. During this time, the young people will grow in their faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

Thank you to all members and friends that helped them raise money to attend this wonderful event.

THANK YOU KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY

Once a year, Keller Williams closes all their offices to go into the community and donate time and energy to help improve their property. Nativity was chosen this year and Thursday, May 10, we had a sea of red as 30 to 40 employees came to work. They washed and painted all the playground equipment, donated and built 3 sandboxes and 2 benches, planted new plants, pressure washed sidewalks, sealed the loggia ceiling and painted the sanctuary door and classroom.



REMEMBERING THOSE WHO

Serve

- Dodd, Chas** US Army-Italy, Nephew of Lauren Molina
- Duncan, Kristen** USAF-Salt Lake City, UT, Friend of Glazeners
- Duncan, Tyler** USAF-Salt Lake City, UT, Friend of Glazeners
- Fredericks, Barry Jr.** US Navy-Japan, Nephew of Denise Varlik-Joseph
- Glazener, Matt** US Army-Missouri, Brother of Mark Glazener
- Griffin, Joseph** US Air Force-Azores, Nephew of Ralph & Teri Henning
- Lee, Ashley** Army-Afghanistan, Niece of Kathy Brockelbank
- Malloy, Christina** US Army-Hawaii, Cousin of Matt Flynn
- Malloy, Jason** USAF-Turkey, Cousin of Matt Flynn
- Malloy, Tom** USMC-N. Carolina, Cousin of Matt Flynn
- Olson III, Robert A.** Army-Colorado Springs, CO, Friend of the school
- Pittman, Mercedes** US Army-Ft. Carson, CO, Daughter of Harold & Debra Pittman
- Ragland, Charles** US Army-Afghanistan, Friend of Scott Powers
- Scalise, Frank IV** USMC-Yuma, AZ, Grandson of Dale & Sue Long
- Sepulveda, Helena** US Army-North Carolina, Friend
- Sioson, Ernie** US Air Force, Salt Lake City, UT, Brother of Erna del Sioson
- Tuttle, Aaron** USMC-Okinawa, Japan, Son of Debbie Tuttle, Grandson of Mark & Sharon Glazener

Please contact the office at 622-4998 or kari@pbnativity.com with any changes or additions to this list.

MISSING TABLE CLOTH

Looking for the long white table cloth that belongs on the table in the reception area. Did someone take it home to launder? If yes, please return. Thank you.

WORDS FROM OUR *Council President*

Hello Church Family,

WHAT A MONTH! Let's just do a quick recap of all that has happened! Keller Williams donated their time and talents to bring some life back into the playground and Church. The "Eat & Greet" brought the community together serving over 200 people and raising over \$427.34 for our Youth (not to mention the food was amazing!). The "Open House" toured 8 families who were amazed by all we have to offer (a hidden gem indeed). We turned in our pledges to continue commitment to our Church Home. We had our Annual Meeting and made hard discussions as a family...peacefully. And last but not least, we heard from the Synod that they will be presenting a name to the Call Committee. God is GOOD!

We have come a long way in a year. So now what? We have set goals and a budget. It's a New Year for us (since our fiscal year starts June 1st). If you had to make a New Year's Resolution just for the "Church New Year" what would it be? Would you give more, volunteer more, pray more, attend more? What can you do to be a bigger part of the New Year? So, if I had to come up with my "Church New Year's Resolution" it would be a 2-part resolution. As your President, my goal is to help lead us into the future. To help grow our Church family and our school. As a member, I want to encourage myself to pray more, for my children to be more active, and give more. I challenge you to come up with your "Church New Year's Resolution". Now is a great time to do it. We are entering the New Year together. Let's focus on the great things ahead of us. Nothing is impossible. We have faced lots of challenges and have overcome so many obstacles I am excited to see what this New Year shall bring!

Happy New Year, Kelly Rogers

The New Year by Martha Snell Nicholson

Dear Lord, as this new year is born I give it to Thy hand,
Content to walk by faith what paths I cannot understand.

Whatever coming days may bring Of bitter loss, or gain,
Or every crown of happiness; Should sorrow come, or pain,

Or, Lord, if all unknown to me Thine angel hovers near
To bear me to that farther shore Before another year,

It matters not — my hand in Thine, Thy light upon my face,
Thy boundless strength when I am weak, Thy love and saving grace!

I only ask, loose not my hand, Grip fast my soul, and be
My guiding light upon the path Till, blind no more, I see!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR *Worship*

2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (JUNE 3)
Deuteronomy 5:12-15 1 Corinthians 4:5-12
Mark 2:23—3:6

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (JUNE 10)
Genesis 3:8-15 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1
Mark 3:20-35

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (JUNE 17)
Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17
Mark 4:26-34

5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (JUNE 24)
Malachi 3:1-4 Acts 13:13-26
Luke 1:57-67 [69-80]

SOCK IT TO EM!!!

Father's Day is June 17. DADS & MOMS OR KIDS--Would you help us commemorate that day with a "traditional" Father's Day gift—A PAIR OF SOCKS—OR 2, OR 10?

From June 3 through June 24 we will be collecting socks for our underprivileged neighbors at St. George's Episcopal Center in Riviera Beach. Now they have access to a shower trailer every Thursday and foot care twice a month. Help us to provide a pair of new clean socks to each of them after they have used these services. Help meet or beat our goal of 200 pair!!! Bring White or Gray Athletic length socks. LOOK FOR THE SOX BOX in the reception area!

NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL INCOME & EXPENSE JUNE 2017 - April 2018 (11 MONTHS)

Another school year is coming to an end! We thank each and every one of you for sharing your children with us this year. A big congratulations to our graduating VPK students. Have a safe and fun summer.

The Nativity teaching staff

END OF YEAR CEREMONY

VPK graduation ceremony will be held Thursday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m. and will include all students. Please be sure your children are here at 6:00 p.m. and in their classrooms to prepare. Come early, get a good spot in the church. Bring your family and friends.

Reminder:

Fri, June 1st is the last day of school. All families are welcome to attend our "Bye Bye Brunch" between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. There will be no after care on that day.

SUMMER CAMP

Nativity will have seven weeks of summer camp beginning June 4 and ending July 20. Choose one or all of the weeks available. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. See pages 10 and 11 for registration.

SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS

6/15 Mason Ross

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

6/4 Lisa Badaloti

6/7 Pia Heiser



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you to all that clip "Box Tops" and bring them in to the office. The beginning of May, we received a check for \$101.30 for the school. Thank you to Jen Zitani for her great organization.

Church	YTD Actual	Budget	Variance
Income			
Tithes and Offerings	201,384	196,992	4,392
Building Use Revenues	18,567	19,250	(683)
Other Revenues	3,727	12,833	(9,106)
Total Income	223,678	229,075	(5,397)
Expense			
Staff Expenses	134,418	142,496	(8,078)
Administration	36,022	32,853	3,169
Building & Grounds	41,257	33,426	7,831
Call Committee	125	9,167	(9,042)
Departments/Committees	9,513	13,521	(4,008)
Total Expenses	221,335	231,463	(10,128)
Excess Income (Expense)	2,343	(2,388)	4,731
School			
Income			
School Revenues	125,562	137,500	(11,938)
Total Income	125,562	137,500	(11,938)
Expense			
Staff Expense	109,745	116,188	(6,443)
Administration	6,961	8,213	(1,252)
Building & Grounds	6,745	5,899	846
School Expenses	9,038	12,054	(3,016)
Total Expenses	132,489	142,354	(9,865)
Excess Income (Expense)	(6,927)	(4,854)	(2,073)

Total Church & School			
Excess Income (Expense)	(4,584)	(7,242)	2,658

NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

FINANCIAL REPORT June 2017 - April 2018 (11 months)

YTD Analysis against budget:

CHURCH

Tithes & Offerings were ahead of budget again this month, but with the Easter offerings we have turned the corner from a YTD Net Expense to a YTD Net Income of \$2,323. This is very good news.

Other Revenues show a shortfall against Budget of \$9,106—a variance that is offset by the Call Committee Expense variance of \$9,042. The budget included a Special Appeals Income line to raise money for the Call Process Expenses. Variances are appropriate

Building & Grounds excess expenses over budget include a new air conditioner and necessary repairs surrounding the removal of the portables to remain in compliance with the county.

SCHOOL

While YTD School Revenues are behind budgeted, this variance is offset by lower total YTD Expenses.

2018/2019 BUDGET

Next fiscal year's budget is being prepared for presentation at the May 20, 2018 Congregational Meeting.

MISSION INVESTMENT LOAN:

Mission Investment Fund Loan Balance at 4/30/18 is \$37,202. Thank you to the Women's Group who has donated our May MIF Loan Payment. Donations accumulated in the Restricted MIF Principal Pay-down fund will be sent to the Mission Investment Fund by the end of May to further reduce the principal on this loan.

CASH BALANCES AT APRIL 30, 2018

OPERATING ACCT CASH: \$45,351.

RESTRICTED FUNDS: \$16,944

\$1,055 Memorial Funds

\$1,450 MIF Principal Pay-down

\$ 536 MIF May MIF Donation from Women's Group

\$5,788 Capital Fund

\$2,475 Morrissey Fund

\$5,640 Youth Mission Trip Fund

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Carolyn New

MORE *News*

“EAT & GREET”

Last month we had a successful and fun “Eat & Greet” which involved food trucks, vendors, bounce houses, face painting and a preschool open house. Multiple school tours were given, the playground was well used and the evening was beautiful. Thank you to Kelly Rogers for all her hard work to organize this event and pull it off without a hitch. Thank you to all the volunteers and all who attended. Thank you to Thrivent for their support.



NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

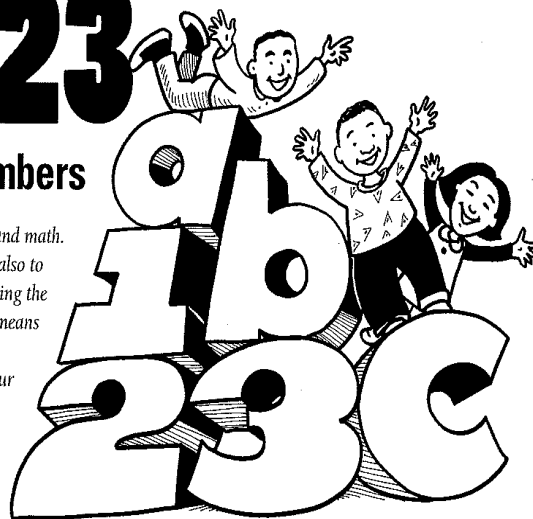
It's time for us to update our photo directory. This will be a great tool for our new pastor to have when he/she comes. Save the date, Friday August 17, 12:00—7:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 18, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. We will photograph all families here at Nativity. Our directory won't be complete without you. Watch for more information in the coming weeks for scheduling information and volunteer sign up.

ABC & 123

Exploring Letters and Numbers

Letters and numbers are the building blocks of reading and math. Your youngster must learn not only to recognize them, but also to understand what they mean. With letters, that means learning the sounds they make in words. When it comes to numbers, it means realizing that each number stands for a quantity.

Here are some activities you can use each day to help your child recognize and understand letters and numbers.



Letters

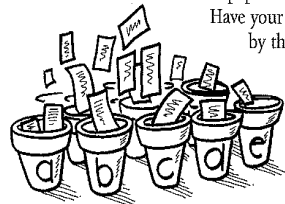
Read alphabet books. Check the library for alphabet books, such as *Dr. Seuss's ABC: An Amazing Alphabet Book!* and *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by Bill Martin Jr. These books feature letters on each page, with words and pictures to go along with them. As you read, have your youngster think of other words that begin with each letter.

Provide alphabet materials. Gather stickers and stamps with letters on them. Give your child some paper, and encourage him to make words with the letters. He can spell his name, family members' names, or other words he knows. Some other word-building materials you may already have around the house include magnetic letters, alphabet blocks, and letter tiles from board games.

Identify letters and sounds. Together, make a list of words that start with the same letter as your youngster's name. Or when you're traveling, help her look for signs with words that begin with her name's first letter. Another idea is to write your child's name vertically on a piece of paper and let her try to think of a word that begins with each letter.

Sort words. Write a different letter of the alphabet on each of 26 Styrofoam or plastic cups. Then, cut words out of newspaper or magazine headlines.

Have your child sort the words by their first letters and put them in the appropriate cups. Do some cups have a lot of words? Which cups have very



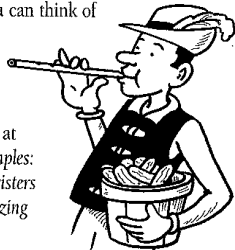
few, or none at all? Explain that some letters are more common at the beginning of words ("b," "r," "t"), and others are not as common ("q," "x," "z"). Challenge your youngster to find words beginning with uncommon letters in magazines and newspapers.

Explore sign language. Learning sign language can help your child learn letters and sounds. Visit www.deafblind.com/asl.html for drawings of the signing alphabet. Point out that some of the signs represent the written letters, such as "v" and "l." Help your youngster work on spelling her name and a few simple words. Once she has those down, she'll probably be eager to learn more.

Practice with tongue twisters. Try writing a tongue twister with your child. Pick a letter, and make a list of as many words as you can think of that start with that letter.

Together, write a sentence or two using only the words on the list. Or look for tongue twister books at the library or bookstore. *Examples: Six Sick Sheep: 101 Tongue Twisters* by Joanna Cole, and *Busy Buzzing Bumblebees and Other Tongue Twisters* by Alvin Schwartz. You can find more tongue twisters online at www.enchantedlearning.com/rhymes/Twisters.shtml.

Play alphabet memory. Fold 26 index cards in half. With your child, write an uppercase letter on one half and



MORE News

NATIVITY SERVANT SERVERS PROVIDE 115 MEALS ON GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday March 30, thirteen representatives of Nativity served dinner at St. George's Episcopal Community Center in Riviera Beach. A total of 115 meals (including 13 children) were served to our underprivileged neighbors in that community. A grant for \$250 from Thrivent Financial provided all the funding. Thank you goes to our Servant Servers. We welcomed back Chef Jim Kreidler who was assisted by: Dave Hoecker, Nancy Hunter, Edna, Ken & Kylie Koenig, Stuart McClellan, Sue & Earl Osborne, Kerissa Reed, Linda & Julius Roehl, Carolyn Schwartz, and Ruth Staehle.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR NEXT SERVING DAY: FRIDAY, June 29.

LET'S DO DINNER ON FRIDAY JUNE 29!

Join us to help provide a delicious meal for our less fortunate neighbors in Lake Park & Riviera Beach. The dinner is served at St. George's Episcopal Community Center in Riviera Beach. The Prep crew helps from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. The Serving and Cleanup crew helps from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Please sign up in the Loggia. Any questions? Contact Julius Roehl @ 561-632-0442 or Linda Roehl @ 561-493-8873 or at talkingturkey2@gmail.com.

Fathers young, fathers old
Remembering good times are our gold.

Value earned through guidance given
Helping us go forth in living'.

Each father adding to our trove
A treasure chest of love untold.

Remembering father in our lives
Taking time to realize.

Fatherly love brings wealth to living
Remembering this we go forth in giving.

Fathers young, fathers old
We remember you all
As life unfolds.



Committee Reports

Strategic Planning Committee

Recommendation that a portion of our undeveloped and unused property be offered to the City of Palm Beach Gardens for sale at a value based on the property value offered by outside experts. This will be presented to the congregation at the May 20th Meeting.

Council adjusted the boundaries suggested by SPC.

Call Committee

No report this meeting.

Other Business

Old Business:

Nominating Committee slate underway. Mutual Ministry Committee slate underway.

Sunday 6/3 Synod Assembly: Youth led service.

New Business:

Vote to formally disband endowment fund established 10/08, motion to approve, seconded and approved on voice vote.

Worksheet and Diagram for Hurricane Shutters distributed.

No scheduled Council meetings for June and July. Council will conduct business via email and informal meetings due to travel schedules. Next meeting scheduled Sunday August 12.

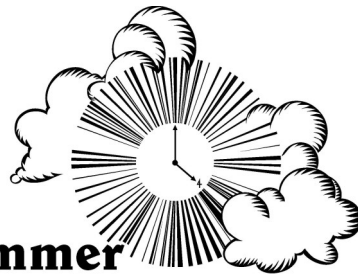
Adjourned 12:15 with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Breanne Johnsen

Council Secretary

During the summer months, the office will be open 8:30 am until 3:30 pm.



Summer Office Hours



its lowercase version on the other. Continue until you have all the letters of the alphabet. Cut the cards apart, put them facedown on a table, and mix them up. Take turns drawing two cards and trying to make an uppercase-lowercase match. As your youngster learns to recognize the letters, you can also talk about their sounds. Each time he turns a card over, have him name the letter, say the sound it usually makes, and think of a word that begins with it.

Make the most of mealtime. Use letter-shaped cookie cutters to cut out cookies, pancakes, cheese slices, and even mini-sandwiches. Or look for alphabet-shaped cereal, soup, noodles, or macaroni and cheese to serve your child. Have her say each letter as she eats it: "I just ate an A."



Numbers

Sing counting songs.

Songs with numbers in their lyrics are terrific for practicing counting. Some ideas are "This Old Man" or "Five Little Monkeys."

While you're singing, hold up the appropriate number of fingers for each verse so your youngster can see what the

numbers mean. Tip: You can find the words to these songs and more at http://bussongs.com/counting_songs.php.

Read counting books. Most counting books have a number on each page and a picture with that number of objects. To get the most out of these books, count the objects, pointing to each one with your finger, and have your child do the same. Try *One Hundred Hungry Ants* by Elinor J. Pinczes, *Over in the Meadow* by Ezra Jack Keats, or *Anno's Counting Book* by Mitsunasa Anno.

Count everything! Suggest that your youngster count the number of stairs in your house, spoonfuls of yogurt as she eats, or how many times the phone rings before you can answer it. Ask her to see how few steps she can take to get from the car to the house or down the hall. When you're standing in line or sitting in traffic, she can count the number of people or cars in front of you.

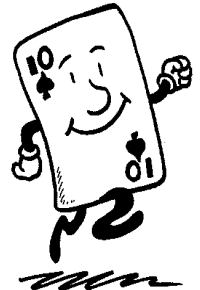
Count different ways. Help your child practice counting by having him choose a number between 1 and 10. For example, if he chooses 5, he would start at 5 and count to 10, without first saying "One, two, three, four." Then, challenge him to count backward from 10. Teach your youngster to skip-count as well (by 2s, 5s, or 10s). To practice, pick a number and say, "Start at 6 and count by 2s."

Point out how numbers are used. Identify the numbers on your house or mailbox, telephones, clocks, and the remote control. Encourage your child to notice numbers all around her. For example, ask her to look for a license plate with her age on it.

Play games with dice and cards.

Take turns rolling two dice and adding them together. Write down the total for each roll. See who has the highest total after 10 turns. Or play a game of cards. Have each person draw one card and turn it over. The player with the highest number keeps both cards. Continue playing until you've used the whole deck. The winner is the person with the most cards.

Play a number guessing game. Pick a number between 1 and 10. Have your youngster guess your number by giving him clues like "bigger," "smaller," "higher," and "lower." He will learn to put numbers in order and compare them.



Early Years

Nativity Lutheran Church & School

Guide to



The Alphabet House...

Ready-Set-Go!

June 4, – July 20

7 weekly sessions



Let us help to plan your Summer!

Nativity offers a fun filled and educational Summer-Camp for your child. (Ages 2-6)

Our focus at Nativity is on early literacy and reading readiness. This is a great time to bridge the transition from Preschool to Kindergarten.

- Activities for the whole group, small group and individual practice
- Interactive learning centers and smart board
- Phonemic awareness, alphabet and sound recognition
- Memorization skills
- Music, rhythm and rhyme
- Weekly movies
- Arts and Crafts
- Water slide – Splish Splash Day!!

Worship & Music: Due to sheer volume of participants in the different aspects of worship, it is recommended that we recruit a specific lay volunteer to function as the personnel coordinator in collaboration with Pastor and Music Director. Pr. Lutze and Julius have discussed this appointment.

Education: School Board is being addressed and members are being recruited to serve.

Need a Council Liaison for Music & Worship, and Education Teams.

At this time, it is assumed that Finance, Stewardship & Property Team is functioning well, with the Treasurer and Bookkeeper on the Council no liaison needed. The Evangelism, Service & Social Ministry Team needs a Council Liaison, but we will encourage these ongoing activity groups and take a wait and see approach at this time.

Pastor's Report: Written report submitted by Pastor Lutze.

Policy on issuing offering envelope to all confirmed- Council agrees that once confirmed, envelopes/envelope numbers will be given upon request.

Application submitted for Gallagher (Synod Insurer of choice), but no quote has been received. Awaiting response from VM for callback. In the meantime, working with a local independent broker and a renewal quote from the current insurer. Communication to Council via email.

Staff Reports

Office Manager: Written report submitted by Kari Donnelly.

New sign on Plant Drive has been installed by Kauff's. Moon is looking to see if he can repair the light that shines on it. Brian Donnelly trimmed the tree that was hanging over the sign and the palm that was obstructing the city sidewalk.

Preschool Report: Written report submitted by Pia Heiser.

Enrollment updates: 2 day 2's: 3 students (3 open spots) Pre K class: 15 students (full) VPK class: 15 students (5 open spots) 9 students enrolled for Summer Camp weeks.

Keller Williams Red Day: Thursday May 10th 30-40 KW Agents will come and volunteer to spruce up our campus. Pressure washing, painting, landscaping, donation of sandboxes and benches. With their hard work and generous donations, we will be in good shape for the Eat and Greet on May 11.

4 tours given with 2 students registered for VPK 2018-19

Ms. Stephanie Doughty has resigned to focus on her pregnancy. Ms. Savannah Perryman has taken on Preschool Teacher Position and teaches aftercare as well.

We will need to schedule a day to clear the storage area.

MINUTES FROM *Council*

PENDING APPROVAL

Nativity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

May 6, 2018

Called to order at 1048 Kelly Rogers

Present: Kelly Rogers, Earl Osborne, Carloyne New, Breanne Johnsen, Julius Roehl

Absent and Excused: None

Council Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2018, reviewed by council. Motion to approve, seconded and approved on voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Written report submitted by Carolyne New.

The earlier May meeting date made it difficult to get the April reports generated from PowerChurch, Carolyne will submit those to Council and to congregation in the June Newsletter. We received an email from Michele Hilton at the Synod acknowledging receipt of our latest financials, she has now requested a revised budget for the rest of the year with a partial salary for a called pastor. However, since our fiscal year ends in May, this is not meaningful and it is suggested that we send her the budget once it has been approved by the congregation at our May 20th meeting.

Budget preparations are underway, Earl and Carolyne are preparing a balanced budget. While they acknowledge that having a called Pastor by June 1 is unlikely, they would rather overbudget this than not. They have also asked Kelly to work with Pia and Pastor to present a balance school budget.

President's Report: Written report submitted by Kelly Rogers.

Eat & Greet planning is well underway. It is OUR event and it is going to take ALL of us to do it! There are lots of things you can do to help. Sign ups online and available at the desk.

We haven't done an event in a long time! We don't need a Full Time Pastor to do our mission...WE need to do OUR mission!

Member at Large Report: Written report submitted by Julius Roehl

Focus on 3 program teams: Volunteer Coordination, Worship and Music, Education.

Volunteer Coordination: Selection, Recruitment, Reporting relationship.

You may pick and choose any or all weeks as needed.

Please complete one form per child.

Registration Form

(Please print and check all applicable boxes and return with payment)

Childs Name: _____ DOB _____
 Parent/ Guardian Name: _____
 Phone Number: (H) _____ (C) _____
 E-Mail _____
 Allergies _____



Current physical and immunization forms must be on file

5 days per week = 9 AM to 3 PM \$125 per week
 3 days per week = 9 AM to 3 PM \$100 per week
 10% discount if you only need care till 12 noon

Week 1: June 4 – June 8 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 2: June 11 – June 15 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 3: June 19 – June 22 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 4: June 25- June 29 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 5: July 2 – July 6 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 6: July 9- July 13 5 3D = \$ _____
 Week 7: July 16 - July 20 5 3D = \$ _____

Subtotal \$ _____
 Registration Fee \$ 75.00

TOTAL: \$ _____

Parent Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Thank you for trusting us with your Child!

June 2018

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Mon-Fri

Preschool: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Early Care/ After Care: 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 9a-12p Last Day of School 9:15a Sunday Prep. 10:00a Tabitha's Hand (crochet & knit for charity)	2
					Synod Assembly	
3 9:30a Worship 10:30a Men's Choir Rehearsal Synod Assem.	4 5:30p 12-step FH	5 7:30p 12-steps FH & Classroom	6 Pastor in office	7 7:00p 12-step FH	18 9:15a Sunday Prep. 10:00a Tabitha's Hand	9 Pastor in office by appointment
	9a-3p Preschool Summer Camp					
10 9:30a Worship 10:30a Men's Choir Rehearsal	11 9:30a Women's Love Circle 5:30p 12-step FH	12 7:30p 12-steps FH & Classroom	13 Pastor in office 11a Lifetouch Mtg.	14 7:00p 12-step FH	15 9:15a Sunday Prep. 10:00a Tabitha's Hand (crochet & knit for charity)	16 9:00a Sandwich Making Pastor in office by appointment
	9a-3p Preschool Summer Camp					
17 Father's Day 9:30a Worship 10:30a Men's Choir Rehearsal	18 5:30p 12-step	19 7:30p 12-steps FH & Classroom	20 Pastor in office	21 7:00p 12-step FH	22 9:15a Sunday Prep. 10a Tabitha's Hand (crochet for charity)	23 Pastor in office by appointment
	9a-3p Preschool Summer Camp					
24 9:30a Worship 10:30a Men's Choir Rehearsal	25	26 7:30p 12-steps FH & Classroom	27 Pastor in office	28 7:00p 12-step FH	29 9:15a Sunday Prep. 10a Tabitha's Hand 4p St. George's Dinner	30 Pastor in office by appointment
	9a-3p Preschool Summer Camp					