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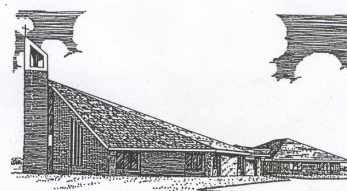
Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.



*“Nothing good  
ever comes of  
violence.”*

**—Martin Luther**

St. Stephen Lutheran  
Church Newsletter  
July/August 2020



## From the Pastor's Desk...

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,..."*

Luke 4:18

Did you notice there wasn't a newsletter last month? Well, it's because there wasn't all that much news! It's been a slow couple of months where the only news has to do with pandemics and riots. And our building wasn't being used until council opened the building back up to outside groups, so there really wasn't much of a calendar either.

No news is good news? Meh. Not really.

What's the good news? Well, it's Jesus.

It's a very Lutheran thing to be constantly reminded of the good news. Why? Because we forget. We hear some of the Word on a Sunday, and forget what has been done for us once our foot hits the parking lot. Or you might read a devotion on a Tuesday morning, and by the time you get to work, it's already out of your head.

And think about that passage from Luke. How many of us feel captive right now? Metaphorically, since we don't even know what will be of school starting and other things, how many of us feel like we're blind? And chances are pretty good, no matter which side of the great mask debate you fell, you feel pretty oppressed by all of the events of the world in 2020.

So, while there wasn't much St. Stephen news. There's a whole bunch of good news going on. Jesus is the good news.

In Christ



+Pastor Lyle Snyder

## Financials Through May & June of 2020

May	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	45,133.67	27,626.00	17,507.67
Expenses	22,938.61	26,991.50	4,052.89
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>22,195.06</b>	<b>634.50</b>	<b>21,560.56</b>
May YTD	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	153,579.24	137,830.00	15,749.24
Expenses	119,055.46	134,956.50	15,901.04
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>34,523.78</b>	<b>2,873.50</b>	<b>31,650.28</b>

June	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	25,374.40	27,626.00	(2,251.60)
Expenses	22,503.15	26,991.50	4,488.35
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>2,871.25</b>	<b>634.50</b>	<b>2,236.75</b>
June YTD	Actual	Budget	B/(W) Budget
Giving/Income	178,953.64	165,456.00	13,497.64
Expenses	141,558.61	161,948.00	20,389.39
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>37,395.03</b>	<b>3,508.00</b>	<b>33,887.03</b>

### Staff

- Rev. Lyle Snyder, Pastor
- Seth Boerboom, Parish Associate
- Lauren Winn, Financial Assistant
- Judy DeCramer, Organist
- Gunvar Dombek, Organist
- Mary Hauschild, Organist
- Seth Boerboom, Pianist
- Judy Hoeft, Pianist
- Melinda Grohs, Preschool Director
- Lisa Rosenboom, Assistant Teacher
- Melissa Doose, Assistant Teacher

### Congregation Council

- Daren Kesteloot, President (term ends Jan. 2021)
- Jasmine Steffen, Vice President (term ends Jan. 2021)
- Josh Allerson, Treasurer (term ends Jan. 2022)
- Paula Petersen-Giles, Secretary (term ends Jan. 2021)
- Jennifer Marty (term ends Jan. 2022)
- Bill Cowden (term ends Jan. 2022)
- Abby Dubs (term ends Jan. 2021)
- Carlton Johnson (term ends Jan. 2022)
- Erin Kuehl (term ends Jan. 2022)

# AUTHORIZATION FORM



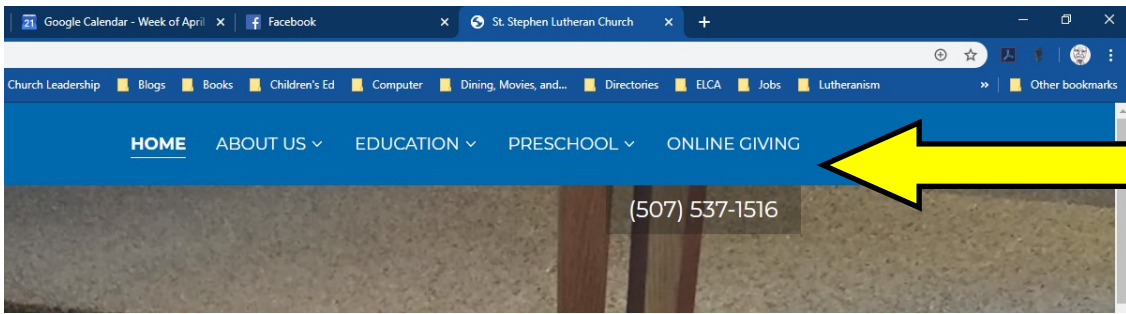
The **Simply Giving** Program  
endorsed by  
 Thrivent Federal Credit Union

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	<b>ENVELOPE/DONOR #</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Effective date of authorization: ____/____/____		
<b>Type of authorization:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> New authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation amount <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation date <input type="checkbox"/> Change banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue electronic donation		
Last Name	First Name	
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Email Address		
<b>DATE OF FIRST DONATION:</b> ____/____/____	<b>FREQUENCY OF DONATION:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly – Mondays <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 <sup>st</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FUNDS:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> General/Operating <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
		<b>AMOUNTS:</b> \$ _____ \$ _____ Total \$ _____
<b>CHECKING / SAVINGS</b>	Please debit my donation from my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #) <input type="checkbox"/> Checking Account (attach a voided check below)	Routing Number: _____ <i>Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3</i>  Account Number: _____ 
	I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.	
	Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____	

*If using a checking account, please attach a voided check at the bottom of this page.*

## Ways to Begin Online Regular Giving!

- 1) On the St. Stephen Website - go to [www.ststephenmarshall.org](http://www.ststephenmarshall.org). Click on “online giving” then “create profile” and follow the instructions.



To begin regular giving, click here on our website!

2) Consult with your bank about “Online Bill Pay.” Many banks can send a regular check directly to the church.

3) Complete the form on the previous page and mail it to the church!

## St. Stephen Happenings!



*Socially Distanced Senior Coffee Started up outside!*





*Nick Ousky & Lexi Goergen were married at the Shetek Lutheran Ministries chapel on Friday, June 19th.*



*Jax Riley, the son of David & Cally Riley. Was baptized on Sunday, June 14th.*



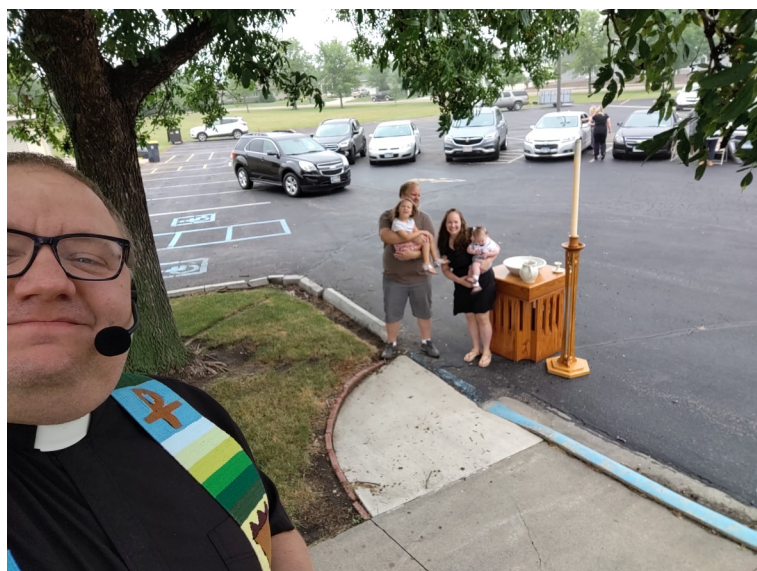
*Bryce Jeppesen & Alyssa Bossuyt were married at St. Stephen on Saturday, July 11th.*

*Holly Amundson, the daughter of Sam & Alissa Amundson was baptized at St. Stephen on Saturday, July 11th.*



*Eloise Drefs, the daughter of Jon & Brooke Drefs was baptized on Sunday, July 12th.*

*Hudson Besse, the son of Nathan & Amanda Besse was baptized on Sunday, July 26th.*





### Drive-in-Worship Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

#### Service Details & Information

- Service will be outside with a large P.A. system & a radio receiver.
- Service will be led from the front doors!
- Bulletin will be available on the website beforehand!
- You may exit your vehicles and sit in front of them or in front of the church.
- You can use the restrooms. We ask you to use a mask indoors.
- Please bring your own communion elements, bread & juice! We will not have extra elements on hand. Please use juice, as you cannot legally have an open container of wine in your vehicle!
- If you have a large vehicle, please park in the back rows.
- Offering can be left in a bin on the way out of the parking lot!

### Evening Worship in the Sanctuary Sundays at 6:30 p.m.

#### Service Details & Information

- Our sanctuary holds 258 persons. Our historical attendance on Sunday evenings will likely fall under 50% capacity.
- Families are encouraged to stay 6 ft. apart from other families.
- Hymnals and bibles will be removed from the pews.
- There will be no bulletins. The order of service will only be on the projector.
- Vulnerable people with compromised immune systems are encouraged not to attend.
- We'll ask those attending not to congregate before or after.
- Congregation will only have access to the hallway & bathroom. The rest of the building will be closed.
- Water fountains will be taped off.
- We will have sanitizers and facemasks at entrances.
- We encourage adherence to the facemask mandate.
- Offering can be left in plates on the way out of the doors.

## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

NOW OPEN for the 2020-2021 school year!



**St. Stephen**  
LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

\*NEW\* We will offer flexible full or half day preschool options!

If you would like more information or to set up a tour contact Melinda at (507) 537-1516 or [melinda.grohs@ststephenmarshall.org](mailto:melinda.grohs@ststephenmarshall.org).



**August 2020**



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**Shetek Lutheran Ministries Where Christ Renews and Empowers**

## Campers are here!!



In the middle of June, the MN Dept. of Health came out with guidelines for overnight camps to begin operating after July 1. We welcomed our first campers on July 5 and will do 5 weeks of onsite programming. All campers are bringing masks and will use them whenever we are inside buildings and during worship. Most of our activities, even meals, are outside and follow physical distancing guidelines. We are very thankful we can offer this experience this summer.

**Help send kids to Camp...Become a Pelican Club or Timber Society member today. Pelican Club members support the ministry with a gift of \$100 - \$499 a year and Timber Society members give \$500 or more a year. Thanks for your support!**

### Updates from camp!

1. Our Quilt "Auction" Sale is going well and with the sales and donations we have raised over \$21,000 for the ministry at Shetek! We are very grateful for all those who have supported camp in this way. Thank you!
2. Our Golf Tourney is postponed to August 31.

*Our theme verse for this summer is Psalm 100:5 "For the Lord is good, His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations."*

*God's love flows from generation to generation – from Abraham all the way to us and beyond!*

During this time, we are thankful for donations from supporters when we don't have any retreat income and program income is way down. If you are able to help out, we really appreciate it!

Our "Building on the Foundation" capital campaign is on hold for now. So far, we've raised just over \$1,000,000 in gifts/pledges towards our \$1,500,000 goal! We'll be continuing the campaign efforts later this year when it is more feasible and safe to do so.





# AUGUST 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 ●4:00 pm Noyes-Boerboom Wedding
2 ●10:30 am Drive-in Worship ●6:30 pm Evening Worship	3 ●7 pm Alanon ●8 pm Monday Night Fellowship at Brau Brothers	4 ●12:30 pm 2nd Harvest ●7 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics	5 ●12 pm 12@12	6 ●9 am Sr. Coffee ●10 am Worship on Studio1 ●5:30 pm Women's Recovery	7 ●5 pm Sleiter-Mages Wedding Rehearsal ●6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous ●7 pm Worship on Studio1	8 ●4:00 pm Sleiter-Mages Wedding
9 ●10:30 am Drive-in Worship ●6:30 pm Evening Worship	10 ●6:30 pm W.O.W. ●7 pm Alanon ●8 pm Monday Night Fellowship at Brau Brothers	11 ●7 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics	12 ●12 pm 12@12	13 ●9 am Sr. Coffee ●10 am Worship on Studio1 ●5:30 pm Women's Recovery	14 ●6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous ●7 pm Worship on Studio1	15
16 ●10:30 am Drive-in Worship ●6:30 pm Evening Worship	17 ●7 pm Alanon ●8 pm Monday Night Fellowship at Brau Brothers	18 ●12pm—6pm Red Cross Blood Drive ●7 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics	19 ●12 pm 12@12	20 ●9 am Sr. Coffee ●10 am Worship on Studio1 ●5:30 pm Women's Recovery ●6 pm Just-for-Kix	21 ●6 pm Alcoholics Anonymous ●7 pm Worship on Studio1	25 ●7 am Mary Kay ●9:30 am Karen 7th Day Worship
23 ●10:30 am Drive-in Worship ●6:30 pm Evening Worship	24 ●7 pm Alanon ●8 pm Monday Night Fellowship at Brau Brothers	25 ●7 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics	26 ●12 pm 12@12	27 ●9 am Sr. Coffee ●10 am Worship on Studio1 ●5:30 pm Women's Recovery ●6 pm Just-for-Kix	28 ●56 pm Alcoholics Anonymous ●7 pm Worship on Studio1	29
30 ●10:30 am Drive-in Worship ●6:30 pm Evening Worship	31 ●5 pm Just-For-Kix ●7 pm Alanon ●8 pm Monday Night Fellowship at Brau Brothers					