

THE MESSENGER

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

AUGUST 2025

OUR VISION STATEMENT

*We are grace-filled followers of
Jesus Christ who are
Equipped, Encouraged,
and Expected to use our
Heads, our Hearts, and our
Hands to go into the world.*



Holy Communion Lutheran Church
Dedicated, Nov. 5, 1972



Holy Communion Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the North Carolina Synod, ELCA

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Ministers: All the Baptized of God's Family

Interim Rev. Brooks Seaford

Organist: Katherine Kast

Parish Secretary: Selina Farris

Worship with us!

Sunday School ~ 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service ~ 10:30 a.m.



We express our Christian Sympathy to

Linda, Jeff, and Matt Kanupp and family at the death of Rev. Paul Kanupp who died on Friday, July 18, 2025.

Tom Lineberger Sr. family. Mr. Tom Lineberger passed away on July 27, 2025..

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND. @ HOLY COMMUNION

10:00 AM—12:00 noon

HELP WANTED!

Clothes Ministry Leader Needed!

Ron and Amy Holland will be stepping down from the leader duties of the Clothes Ministry. Some of the duties include being available for drop off of donations at Holy Communion, picking up donations at other locations, sorting, setting up tables in the fellowship hall for giveaway and cleaning. If you are interested in taking over this ministry, please contact one of the council members or the church office.

Lutheridge Sunday August 24th at 10:30 AM

Join St. Paul's Lutheran Church for our annual *Lutheridge Sunday* on August 24th at Lutheridge Whisnant Chapel for service beginning at 11 AM! We'll celebrate together through a sermon brought by Pastor Sara Yoos, songs, and a joyful time of worship. Following the service, we'll gather for a covered dish meal—bring your favorite dish to share! All are welcome!



AUGUST FOOD PANTRY

**Crackers
Peanut Butter
Lima Beans**



The Women of the Church
will meet on Saturday, August 30th at 10:30
in the lounge.

For pastoral care

Please contact one of the following numbers if you
have a need or prayer request.

Pastor Seaford 704-577-6470,

Church office 704-922-5375,

Jeff Clemmer 704-349-3458.

We are collecting school supplies and
backpacks for the



*Town of Dallas
Tools for School Event on
Sunday, Monday, August 11th.
From 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm @
Carr Elementary School,
Free school supplies to school aged
children*

***All supplies must be dropped off
at the church by
Sunday, August 3rd***

AUDIO / VIDEO VOLUNTEERS

August 3	Gene Armstrong
August 10	Greg Carter
August 17	Greg Carter
August 24	Gene Armstrong
August 31	James White Jr.



- 8/5 Anthony Heavner
- 8/8 Pat Dixon
- 8/9 Deanna Maxwell
- 8/16 Harmony Cloninger
- 8/19 Erin Busby
Bryson McKinney
- 8/26 Jimmy White
- 8/27 Mary Louise Huggins
Bobby Bishop
- 8/28 Jacob St. Laurent



- 8/8 Harold & Sandra Clemmer
- 8/9 Gene & Muriel Armstrong
- 8/16 Leon & Nancy Pasour

PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Please remember to inform the church office when a prayer request can be removed from the prayer list so we can keep it updated as possible.

Email: office@hclcdallas.org or
call 704 922 5375.

Town of Dallas



Tools for School Event

Please join us at Carr Elementary School

307 South Pine St.

Monday, August 11, 2025

5:30pm-6:30pm

For FREE school supplies to school aged children!

****Children must be present to
receive supplies****



WE'RE PRAYING FOR...

Our Church family: Gene & Muriel Armstrong, Deanna Simms; Jimmy White; Mary Louise Huggins; Mary Rhyne; Alan Cloninger; Eric Heavner; our church; church council members; Devron Hoffman; Monta Lineberger; Reid Simms.

Our friends, neighbors, co-workers, and relatives of members: Robbie Cearley; Steve Freestone (health issues, friend of Jerry & Coleen); Donnie Roberts (liver cancer-neighbor of Roxanna Britton); Susan Haney (Pat Heavner cousin); Randy Yeargin (friend of Roxy); Shelvy Pasour; Captain Chris Campion (Greg & Beth's nephew); Marguerite Taylor (friend of Roxy); unspoken prayers; Kelly Byrd (David & Ruth Cloninger); Tomas Doran (Jeff Clemmer), Drew Pasour; Gage Brown (Angela Collett); Our Country, Texas, grieving parents, families who lost love ones in the flood; Bobby Thomas (Bobby Thomas (Greg & Beth in-laws). Family of Rev. Paul Kanupp, Tom Lineberger family; Millie Clemmons; families of love one killed in I-485 wreck.

Our Continuing Long-Term Members: Carla Hall, Mary Rhyne

***Please remember to notify the Church Office
when a prayer request has been resolved***



John Henry Clemmer
108 Bermuda Cove
Niceville, FL 32578

Payton McKinney Mahrenholz
5308 South Pointe Dr.
Raeford, NC 28376



Allen Huggins

Courtland Terrace
2300 Aberdeen Blvd, Room 28B
Gastonia, NC 28054
Phone: 704-671-6835

FINANCIAL REPORT

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	<u>June 2025</u>	<u>June (YTD)</u>
Contributions/other	\$11,206.18	\$70,559.15
Expenditures	\$9,095.09	<u>\$58,493.11</u>
Net Income	<u>\$2,111.09</u>	<u>\$12,066.04</u>
Checking Balance 06/01/2025	\$146,488.24	
2025 Net Income	\$2,111.09	
Checking Balance 06/30/2025	\$148,599.33	

HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

JUNE 8, 2025, COUNCIL MINUTES

Present: Jeff Clemmer, Alan Cloninger, Reid Simms, Jerry Peeler, Colleen Cloninger, Harold George Clemmer Jr., Deanna Maxwell, Brittany Peeler, Greg Carter, Jamie White, Pastor Seaford, and Roxanna Britton.

Opening of Meeting “Opening Prayer” – Pastor Seaford

Approval of Agenda – Jamie White 1st Motion, Alan Cloninger 2nd. No opposed.

Approval of Minutes for May 2025 Council Meeting – Jerry Peeler 1st, Jamie White 2nd. No opposed.

Approval of Financial Reports– Deanna Maxwell 1st, Jamie White 2nd. No opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Estimate on outside security cameras in the amount of \$4,429.29. – DISCUSSED:** Needed due to vandalism. Video feed can be viewed on multiple cell phones and there are no monthly fees. Alan Cloninger agreed to pay \$2,500.00 of it. Other portion of the payment to come from the general fund. Jamie White made motion to proceed, and Jerry Peeler seconded. No opposed.
- **A down payment of \$2500.00 was paid to TNZ Painting to repair / paint walls damaged by water. This was paid from the Kitchen Fund. - DISCUSSED.**
- **Discuss Pastor Seaford working 4 hours office time once a month. The requested pay is \$35.00 per hour plus mileage. This would be a total of \$1,391.60 for 7 months. – DISCUSSED:** Jeff Clemmer agreed to cover the \$1391.60. Council to evaluate arrangement in December and decide whether to continue or not.
- **Ron & Amy Holland advised they are stepping down from the clothes drive ministry. Discuss / make an announcement asking if anyone would like to take over this ministry. – DISCUSSED:** Selina to put the information requesting a volunteer in the bulletin. The find a volunteer deadline is Aug. 3rd.
- **Kitchen open house. Discuss having a meal to show everyone remodeled kitchen. – DISCUSSED:** Open house and meal TBD.
- **Waxing of the fellowship and downstairs hall have been complete and upstairs area are completed. UPDATE: Cleaning of the classrooms will need to be done before Gaston Janitorial can wax the floors. – DISCUSSED:** Gaston Janitorial is doing a good job.
- **Organ was tuned. UPDATE: Waiting on repairs – DISCUSSED:** Organ was tuned and patched up. Actual repairs to take place in June, July or August.
- **Father’s Day 2025. Donations will go toward new carpeting for Sanctuary and lounge. – DISCUSSED.**
- **Kitchen workers completed job on June 3, 2025.**

OLD BUSINESS

- **Blood Drive? Job Fairs? Hosted at Holy Communion? UPDATE:** Selina will contact Red Cross but will need to know if drive is on a weekday or Saturday. – DISCUSSED.
- **Need to purchase 6 tables to replace old ones. – DISCUSSED:** Greg Carter and Jeff Clemmer to work on.
- **Amy Holland requested to use fellowship hall on Saturday, August 2, 2025, for the clothes drive at Holy Communion. Also, request to use the fellowship 2-3 days prior for setup. UPDATE: Request was approved. – DISCUSSED.**

- VBS June 15-19, 2025 @ Bethel Lutheran Church, Long Shoals Rd., Lincolnton, NC – DISCUSSED: Jeff Clemmer received an email from Susan Lineberger requesting HCLC to provide a meal for Wednesday. Jeff Clemmer, Reid Simms, and Greg Carter to help. Hotdogs, drinks and chips to be provided.
- Round Table Discussion:
 - Discussion on clothing drive again.
 - Discussion on another fund raiser to fix the back of the alter. Men on council to check into what exactly is needed to repair.
 - Discussion on renting the fellowship hall: specifically discussed Ice machine and Oven.
 - Social Media Discussion: Everyone is encouraged to share the church's posts to boost views and attempt to get visitors and increase attendance.

Adjournment –Prayer: Pastor Seaford

The deacon for the month of May: Alan Cloninger

June: Jeff Clemmer

Lay Reader is for May: Gene Armstrong

June: Cathy Cloninger

Next Meeting July 20, 2025, following worship service



A walking contradiction

A real Christian is an odd number. He feels supreme love for One whom he has never seen; talks familiarly every day to Someone he cannot see; expects to go to heaven on the virtue of Another; empties himself in order to be full; admits he is wrong so he can be declared right; goes down in order to get up; is strongest when he is weakest, richest when he is poorest and happiest when he feels the worst. He dies so he can live; forsakes in order to have; gives away so he can keep; sees the invisible, hears the inaudible, and knows that which passes knowledge.

The [person] who has met God is not looking for anything; he has found it. He is not searching for light, for upon him the light has already shined. ... He is not a copy, not a facsimile. He is an original from the hand of the Holy Spirit.

—A.W. Tozer

Lay Reader for August —Alan Cloninger

Deacon for August—Roxanna Britton

Altar Guild—Deanna Simms

AUGUST FOOD PANTRY ITEMS:

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30– Sunday School 10:30–Worship Service with communion	4	5	6	7 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: HCLC	8	9
10 9th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30– Sunday School 10:30–Worship Service	11	12	13 Back to school	14 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: Dallas	15	16
17 10th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30– Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service with communion Church Council after worship	18	19	20	21 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: St. Paul's	22	23
24 11th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30– Sunday School 10:30–Worship Service	25 September Newsletter item deadline	26	27	28 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: Finding The More Ministry	29	30 10:30 a.m. Women's Group Meeting in lounge
31 12th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30– Sunday School 10:30–Worship Service with communion						



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Organist: Katherine Kast

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Return Service requested