

THE MESSENGER

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

JULY 2024

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

PASTOR: INTERIM BROOK SEAFORD

ORGANIST : AMY LEWIS

9:30 A.M.

HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Holy Communion is offered at services on the 1st and 3rd Sunday.



Thank you to everyone who donated to
our Father's Day Kitchen Fund.
A total of **\$1,020.00** was raised!!



Summer Office Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 am—4:00 pm

Allen Huggins is currently in rehab at
Courtland Terrace.

His address and phone number:

Allen Huggins

Courtland Terrace 2300

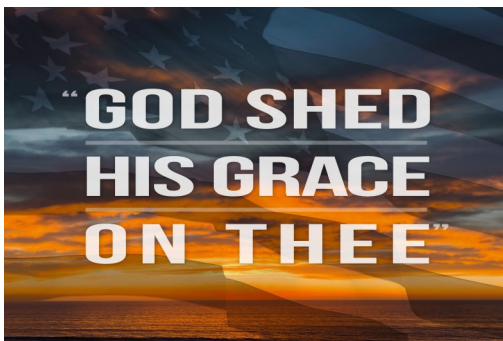
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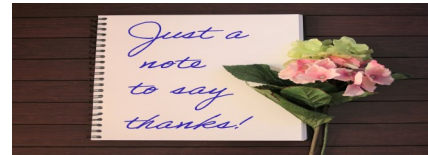
Phone: 704-671-6875

**DAY CAMP @ ST. PAUL'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Lutheridge's Lutheroad Day Camp is coming to St
Paul's Lutheran Church, 531 Hardin Road Dallas,
NC for the week of July 8-12 for kindergarten
through sixth grade. The cost is \$160 a camper.



The church office will be
closed on Thursday July 4th
and Friday July 5th.



*Eric's heart and eye surgeries are behind him now
and he continues to improve and heal daily. We
want to say many, many, thanks to everyone for the
prayers, cards, and calls.*

*~With much love and appreciation,
Pat and Eric Heavner*



JULY FOOD ITEMS:

**Pinto Beans,
Canned Meats
Corn**

JULY COMMUNITY MEAL HOSTS

July 4 — Holy Communion Lutheran Church

July 11 — Dallas Methodist Church

July 18 — St. Paul's Lutheran Church

July 25 — Antioch Lutheran Church

If you or someone you know is in need of
pastoral care, please call

Pastor Seaford @ 704 577 6470,

church office @ 704-922-5375,

Jeff Clemmer, church council president
@ 704-349-3458.



7/1 Hayleigh Walden

7/2 David Cloninger

7/13 Sara Bone

7/17 Becky Shehan

Benjy Britton

William Clemmer

7/18 Phil Peach

7/24 Johnny Mack Cloninger

7/27 Taylor Scoggins

7/28 Ann Collett

Linda Wilkes

7/29 Miles Bone



7/11 Greg & Beth Carter

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.

Thursday August 1st, 2024

5:30pm-7:00pm

For FREE school supplies to school aged children!

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



WE'RE PRAYING FOR...

Our Church family: Jimmy & Susie Ferguson; Deanna Simms; Pat Heavner; Jimmy White; Mary Louise Huggins; Mary Rhyne; Eric Heavner; Muriel Armstrong; Ruth Cloninger; Alan & Cathy Cloninger and family; Allen Huggins; Leon Pasour; Betty Paysour.

Our friends, neighbors, co-workers, and relatives of members: Nancy Merck (Mary Louise sister); our country; Robbie Cearley;; Kelly Byrd (friend of David & Ruth Cloninger; Steve Freestone (health issues, friend of Jerry & Coleen); our church; Manuel Ravey (friend of David & Ruth Cloninger); June Heavner (cancer -sister in law of Pat Heavner); John Mucurdy (friend of Eric Heavner); Donnie Roberts (liver cancer-neighbor of Roxanna Britton); Peggy Nimey (sister of Mary Rhyne whose husband died); Susan Haney (Pat Heavner cousin); Randy Ward; Robert Truman Cloninger family; Randy Yeargin (friend of Roxy).

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



John Henry Clemmer
1264 Black Rd
Cherryville, NC 28021

Payton McKinney
4615 Duncastle Rd. Apt 3D
Fayetteville, NC 28314



FINANCIAL REPORT

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	<u>May 2024</u>	<u>May (YTD)</u>
Contributions/other	\$10,040.45	\$56,850.48
Expenditures	\$8,755.83	<u>\$53,924.48</u>
Net Income	<u>\$1,284.62</u>	<u>\$2,926.00</u>
Checking Balance 05/01/2024	\$106,227.54	
2024 Net Income	\$1,284.62	
Checking Balance 05/31/2024	\$107,512.16	

HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
May 5th, 2024, Congregation Meeting

Jeff Clemmer opened the congregation meeting.
Members in attendance 25.

Jeff explained that the church council is asking to use the money in the Capitol fund to pay for the repairs: removing the insulation and replace insulation system. Alan donated 3k bringing it \$15,475.

Jeff needs motion to spend the money for the repairs.

David Cloninger - 1st Motion
Jerry Peeler - 2nd Motion
No opposed

Parsonage – Council had someone check the roof and they said it should last another few years with minor repairs. \$290 total.

How did Seaford do? Everyone applauded.

Jeff Clemmer explained Seaford would preach 2-3 Sundays and seminarian would do the other 1 if he is able.

Jeff Clemmer asked Seaford for his number to be put in the bulletin.

Jeff Clemmer- Asked congregation to invite people to church because we need to fill seats.

Jeff Clemmer ended meeting.

HOLY COMMUNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
May 25, 2024, COUNCIL MINUTES

Present: Coleen Cloninger, Jerry Peeler, George Clemmer, Jeff Clemmer, Alan Cloninger, Deanna and Reid Simms, Roxanna Britton, Jamie White, Brittany Peeler (secretary), Greg Carter, Deanna Maxwell, and Pastor Seaford.

Pastor Seaford opened the meeting in prayer.

Approval of minutes: Jamie White 1st Motion. Jerry Peeler 2nd Motion. No opposed.

Approval of financial reports: Alan Cloninger made a motion to approve all meetings and financial reports. Deanna Maxwell seconded. No opposed.

Parsonage update: Everything is completed with the exception of the garage. We are ready to turn the parsonage over to the Baptist Preacher and his wife.

The charter for the cemetery was sent to a lawyer to be updated and reviewed. Everything is going to be brought up to date. Greg Carter is head of the cemetery committee.

Led sign maintenance is paid for this year's maintenance. Maintenance will be completed this week.

Council tabled discussion on security system for the church.

VBS – HCLC will provide a meal. We are providing pizza and Alan Cloninger and Jeff Clemmer to decide

who takes it up there. We just need to know the date.

Discussion on the clothes drive. The drive was a success. Had a good many people come. Est. 100 people came. The rest of the clothes were stored for another drive, and some given to other drives.

Discussion on fellowship hall – Capacity per the Fire Marshal – 160 people with tables and chairs. Just chairs 343 people, standing room only 480 people.

Jeff Clemmer had a phone call about renting the fellowship hall. Alan Cloninger to set new policies for renting at August meeting.

Tony Story - ordered paint for the inside and was paid \$3200 down on the \$6700 contract. Tony is waiting on the leaks to be fixed prior to him painting the sanctuary and changing the light bulbs. While he is waiting, he may decide to go ahead and complete the painting in the other rooms.

Greg Carter gave a roof repair update – They painted and put in the insulation. They did not come back Friday, so they put plastic over everything and they're coming back this week. Greg checked and the leak is still leaking.

Alan Cloninger said to watch and talk to them to ensure the roof is done correctly and fixed.

Contact cards - Jeff provided update: We are working on it.

Jeff Clemmer - We've got to get an organist and pianist, so we have the option to do church when we want. HCLC is looking to move the service to 1030am. Pastor is helping search.

Discussion on appealing to younger people/potential church members in general. Songs, worship, Sunday school, social media etc. Lauren is running the social media pages.

Alan Cloninger mentioned robo texts and asked everyone to think about it.

Discussion to form a committee to do worship and planning on how to get people in the church.

Parsonage roof repaired 240 dollars.

Discussion on letter from synod. We are off of probation with synod.

Discussion on contract to hire Seaford.
1st Motion to hire George and Jamie seconded.
No opposed.

Membership discussion: Jeff Clemmer is working with Selina to do letters to people who have not been coming to church. This will help clean up the books and people have a chance to ask to be removed from membership or marked as inactive.

Good news from Jeff Clemmer- Beth Carter is going to lead the women's group and Jeff's wife has joined the church.

New business:

Song selection discussion: Everyone email Selina 5 to 10 songs to help with selection.

Cooper Short, signed rental agreement. He does have a cat and the agreement has no pets listed. Alan Cloninger made a motion to let him have a cat. Jamie White seconded and there were no opposed.

Quickbooks software moved online.

Livestreaming is freezing up. Discussion on needing a new line. Alan Cloninger made a motion to call spectrum. Greg Carter seconded and no opposed.

Ladies' bathroom that had a clogged sink was repaired.

Church council to vote on ELCA discussion:

Council will form a committee to explore leaving ELCA and talk about processes. Discussion on revising contract to remove synods claim to assets.

Alan Cloninger motion to table discussion.

Greg to handle setting up Seafords office. Seaford will let us know if he needs anything.

Volunteers to be lay reader for June:

Jamie White: 1 Sunday

Greg Carter: 1 Sunday

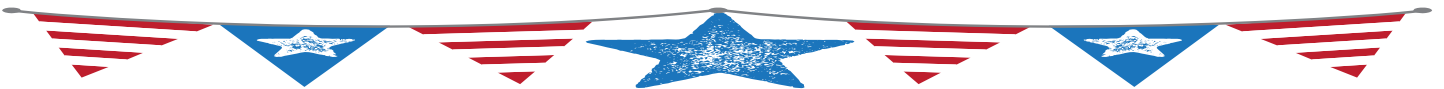
Next meeting: June 16 following worship service.

The Synod said HCLC has to pay Seaford for attending council meetings \$50.

Discussion on sending a tithing letter. At this time Jeff Clemmer says that the church is doing okay.

Alan Cloninger: Says we need to plan homecoming and the date will be sometime in the fall. Everyone needs to be thinking about it.

Pastor closed meeting in prayer.



How wonderful, O Lord, are the works of your hands!
The heavens declare your glory,
the arch of sky displays your handiwork.
In your love you have given us the power
to behold the beauty of your world
robed in all its splendor.
The sun and the stars, the valleys and hills,
the rivers and lakes all disclose your presence.

The roaring breakers of the sea tell of your awesome might;
the beasts of the field and the birds of the air
bespeak your wondrous will.
In your goodness you have made us able to hear
the music of the world. The voices of loved ones
reveal to us that you are in our midst.
A divine voice sings through all creation.

—from *Earth Prayers*

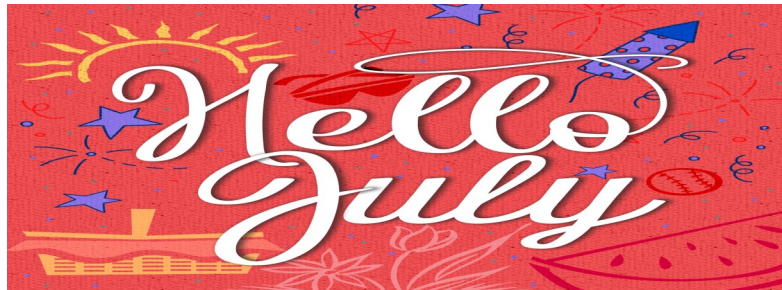
Lay Reader for July —Greg Carter

Deacon for July—James White Jr.

Altar Guild—Zia Mauney

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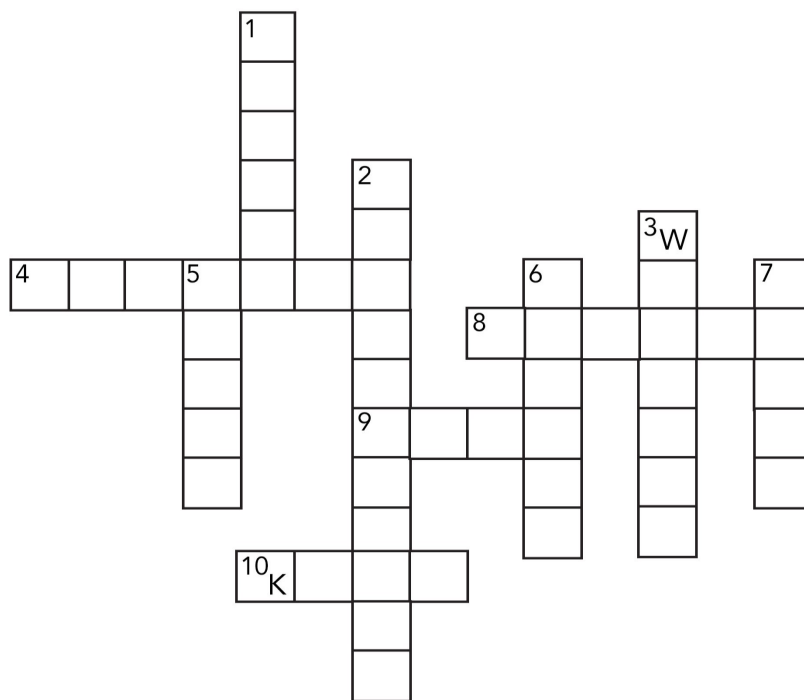
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>God is good</i>			Happy 4th of July			
	1	2	3	4 4th of July 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: HCLC	5	6
7 7th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship Service with communion	8	9	10	11 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: Dallas Methodist	12	13
14 8th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship Service	15	16	17	18 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: St, Paul's	19	20
21 9th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30 Worship Service with communion Church Council following worship	22	23	24	25 6:-7 pm Community Meal host: Antioch	26	27
28 10th Sunday of Pentecost 9:30- Worship Service	29 July Newsletter item deadline	30	31			



THE WONDER OF STARS

The heavens display evidence of God's great power.
What else does the Bible say about the sky?

Directions: Use the clues and Bible references (all NIV) to complete the crossword.



DOWN

1. The sun, moon and stars do this to God. (Psalm 148:3)
2. God made these as numerous as the stars. (Genesis 26:4)
3. Don't do this to the stars and sky. (Deuteronomy 4:19)
5. What do the heavens declare? (Psalm 19:1)
6. The moon and the stars do this at night. (Psalm 136:9)
7. When we're pure, we do this like the stars. (Philippians 2:15)

ACROSS

4. The heavens are the work of these. (Psalm 8:3)
8. On what day did God create the stars? (Genesis 1:14-19)
9. God calls each star by this. (Isaiah 40:26)
10. A star announced the arrival of him. (Matthew 2:2)

Answers: DOWN: 1. praise, 2. descendants, 3. worship, 5. glory, 6. govern, 7. shine, 9. fourth, 10. king



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Return Service requested