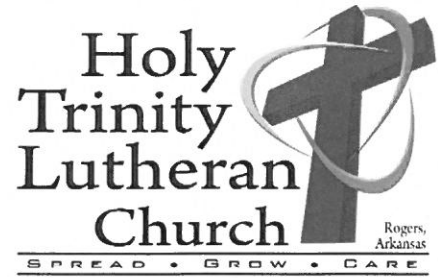


CLARION

JULY, 2018



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

For many people, July is the month for summer vacation. It is a time to get away from work, etc. for a week or more in order to relax and re-create yourself (recreation). I know some people in the congregation have already been on vacation. I know that Shirley and I will be taking some vacation time at the end of the month as we go visit our kids in Colorado (July 30-August 9).

Did you know that God built the idea of vacation into our lives at the very beginning of creation. We call it "Sabbath". The word "Sabbath" literally means "rest day." As part of the Third Commandment, God said through Moses, *"Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but He rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy"* (Exodus 20:9-11).

Several years ago, I was part of a learning group that studied material by Steven Ogne and Thomas Nebel. They suggested that a person needs to "Divert Daily" with some quiet time with God, "Withdraw Weekly" with a day of personal Sabbath, "Maintain Monthly" with some form of Monthly retreat to regain perspective and grow closer to Jesus, and "Abandon Annually" with a minimum three-day retreat to concentrate on your relationship with God. I found these suggestions helpful although I don't always do them. In a way, each of them is tied to the Sabbath. The whole purpose of the Sabbath was to set-time apart from your normal life so you can remember God as your Creator and Redeemer. Let's look at each of these time frames.

Daily — God created us with the need to rest. In fact, in Genesis one, the days are marked "evening and morning." The Jewish day begins at sundown. It starts with a period of rest so that we are able to do our best during the day. Many studies have shown the importance of sleep. In addition, some form of devotion or prayer each day keeps us in contact with our Creator.

Weekly — Once a week God commands that we do no work. It is to be "a day of sacred assembly" (Leviticus 23:3). The church moved this day to the first day of the week in honor of Jesus' Easter resurrection. It is a day for worship. It is a day to stop the busy-ness of our lives and remember that we are God's people. It is a day to celebrate all the blessings He has given us (like family, friends, etc).

Monthly — This is the one I struggle with most. It is also the one area I don't see included in the Bible. Nevertheless I can see some value in taking time each month to review my calendar, my values and my goals.

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Annually — Interestingly, in Leviticus 25 we read, “In the seventh year the land is to have a sabbath of rest, a sabbath to the LORD. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards. Do not reap what grows of itself or harvest the grapes of your untended vines. The land is to have a year of rest” (v. 4, 5). And then in v. 8, the Lord commands the year of Jubilee which is seven Sabbath years (49 years). God designed us to rest. We need periods of rest to get caught up on sleep, to renew our relationship with God, and to enjoy the blessings God has given us. It is healthy to take time off for vacation. It is important to take time so God can re-create you and revitalize you for life.

If you have a vacation planned, enjoy it. And don't forget to take some time to thank God for the blessings He has given you.

In Christ,

Pastor Besel

P.S. While you're on vacation, please remember that the expenses of the church continue. Don't forget to send your offering in the mail or give it before / after your vacation. Our financial leaders will appreciate it.

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD

This information comes from Voice of the Martyrs



NIGERIA: Leah Sharibu remains in captivity almost four months after Boko Haram kidnapped her and 109 other school girls on February 19 from the Government Girls Science and Technical College in Yobe state. Most of the girls were returned about four weeks after the kidnapping, but five were reportedly killed and Leah is still being held. She is believed to be the only Christian among those kidnapped. One of the released girls said Leah hasn't been released because she refuses to deny Jesus. Pray that Leah will remain strong in faith and experience Christ's presence during her captivity. Also pray that she will be released soon and that her mother will be encouraged and strengthened during this ordeal. Pray that members of Boko Haram will be inspired by Leah's faith and seek to know the God she serves.



We are now wrapping up our first month of the Summer Mix 2018 youth events. We have some great stuff coming up in July and look forward to seeing everyone come out and we greatly appreciate everyone's prayers and support! We will not be having a planned event the week of the 4th we pray everyone has a fun safe Holiday.

- July 1st will be our initial NYG 2019 information meeting. It will be right after late service in the Chapel. Please plan to attend
- July 12th will be the Incredibles 2 Movie around noon and the exact show time details will be sent out as soon as we know
- July 19th we plan to bowl from 12 PM to about 2 PM
- July 26th back by popular demand! Will be an evening session at Modern Mission at 6 PM

Looking ahead we will have a Brunch and Color War scheduled on August 4th so mark your calendars. We will not be doing and HTY Café in July so the Unity Sunday and Voters meeting on July 15th will be a Pot Luck.

All details pertaining to times, locations, and possible money needed to attend the July events will be sent out in the group remind app., email, or the News and Notes.

God Bless

Happy Anniversary



4	Mike & Mary Girshner	18	Bob & Jennifer Wolgast
	Ken & Pat Rader	19	John & Gloria Jenkins
9	Jeff & Terri Blake	22	Kevin & Becca Kirby
	Josh & LeAnn Girshner	23	David & Breanna Neumann
15	Mike & Dorothy Button	27	Mike & Lisa Nelson
16	Zachary & Lauren Sanders		



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| 1 Bryan Evans | 9 Shepherd Pollan | 22 Sharon Frye |
| Barbara Raleigh | 10 Trisha Brockhoff | Melody Plaisance |
| 2 Helen Campbell | Mike Cario | 24 Caire McClellan |
| Rebecca Jones | David Neumann | 27 Alisha Bracht |
| Becca Kirby | 11 Aaron Gust | Gilbert Campbell |
| Abigail Tang | Amy Wright | Pam Pickett |
| 3 Rachel Alden | 12 David Frevert | 28 Dolores Bernthal |
| Jordan Frevert | Connie Steeby | Martin Matthew |
| Dave Lehenbauer | 14 Kaden Bowen | 29 Stevie Moeller |
| 4 Nicci Winters | Myron Hartwig | 30 David Black |
| 5 Brenda Smith | 15 Maddison Mayer | 30 Jacob Smith |
| 7 Roger Gliedt | 16 Lou Holtz | 31 Levi Jones |
| 8 Stuart Finley | 19 Mason Schmitt | Maxine Reihman |
| 9 Shelby L'Hommedieu | 21 Amy Gregory | |



CAMERON'S CORNER

Summer has finally struck! I hope you all have AC because we need it this month for sure. Summer has an interesting effect on Holy Trinity. Some of our regular activities die down; things like confirmation, Sunday School, etc. However other things go crazy and in some ways, Holy Trinity gets even busier in the summer. The youth have events/activities at least once a week like laser tag and floating, our recent grads get together once every couple weeks to talk about college and the challenges there, VBS is coming up quick and there are a lot of details there that need doing, the next NYG is only one year away which is not enough prep time, I am taking up confirmation in the fall, and we have all the more 'normal' things as well. Summer gets crowded fast around here but it is always important to remember why we do all these things, why it gets a little crowded; because we have work to do for God's kingdom, and He doesn't take summers off.



DIRECTORY UPDATES

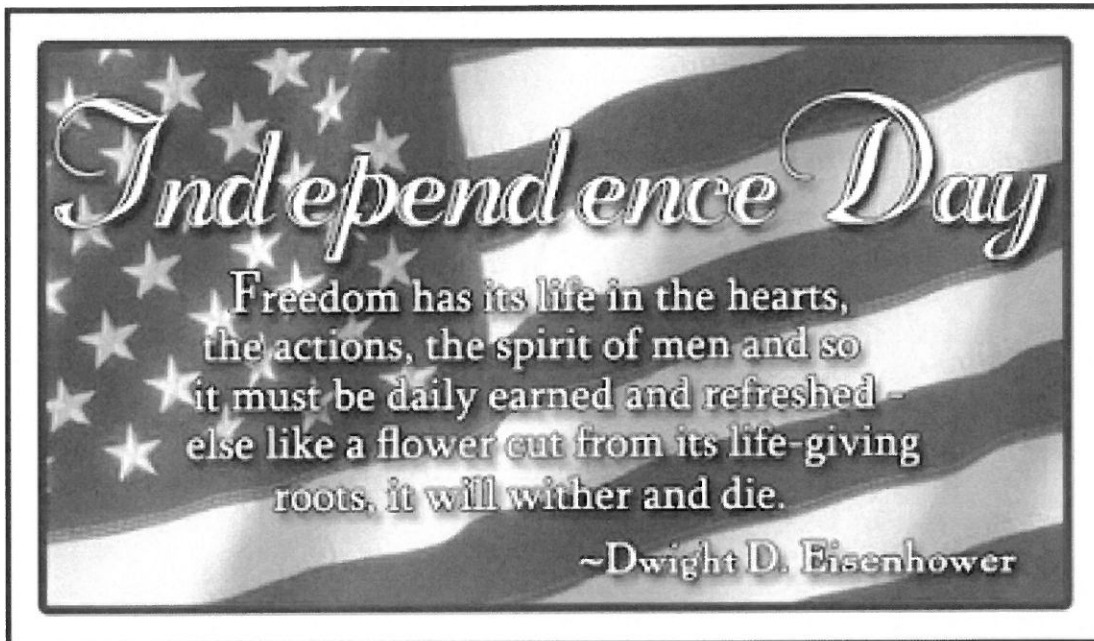
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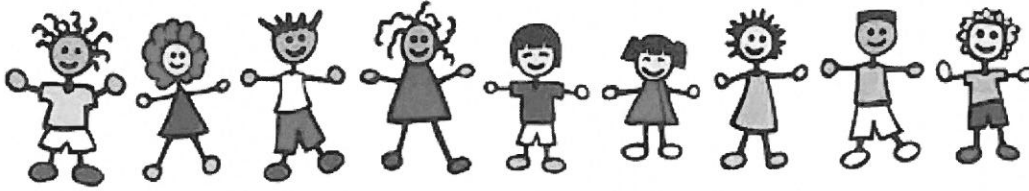


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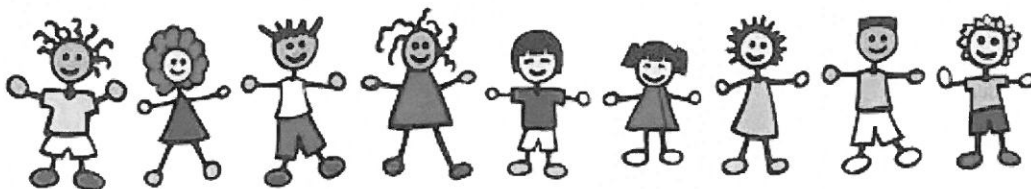
The fireworks are over, so let's gather for an evening of cards and fellowship. Play will start at 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 6th. Bring a treat to share. Set-up is at 6:00 p.m. New players are always welcome.

WHAT'S UP?



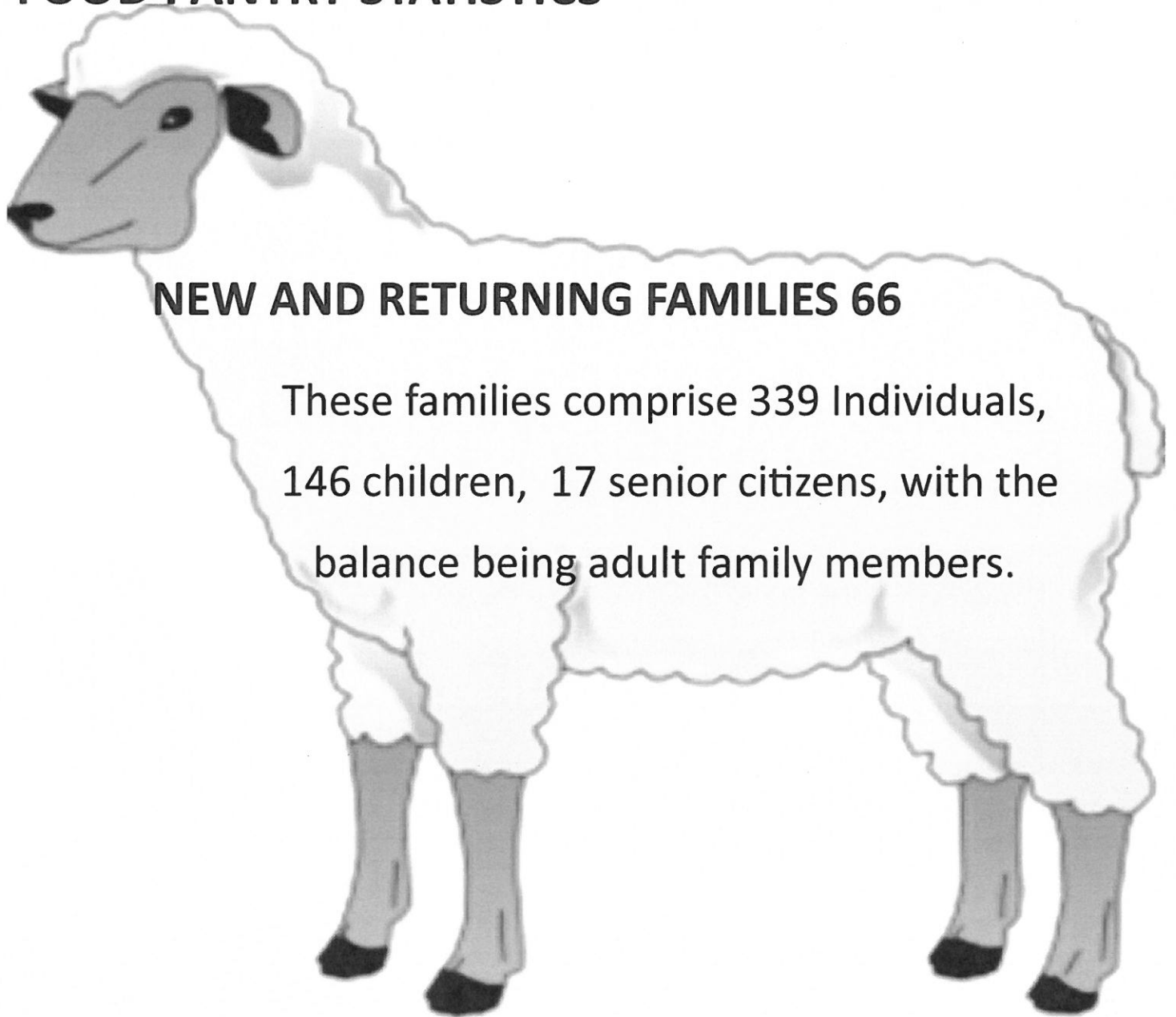
Vacation Bible School July 29th - August 2nd | 6-8pm

Vacation Bible School is coming up quick and there is still much to do. There are still a few Station Leader roles to fill. These are roles such as running the games, Bible, or snack station for each crew that comes in. Each station comes with a guide and is very straight forward. Then we also need crew leaders. A crew is a group of students, usually between 6-12 students ranging in age. A crew leader, guides them from station to station and help the station leaders if they need it. If you can't be here the week of VBS but still want to help, we can really use some help decorating in the weeks leading up to VBS. Gloria Jenkins and Jennifer Bowen are in charge of decoration so talk to them or Cameron if this is a way that you can help. If any of the other roles interest you, please let Cameron know at cameron@holytrin.org. And if you have signed up or are going to, please attend the VBS meeting July 8th after second service in the Chapel.



FEED MY SHEEP MAY

FOOD PANTRY STATISTICS



NEW AND RETURNING FAMILIES 66

These families comprise 339 Individuals,
146 children, 17 senior citizens, with the
balance being adult family members.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
YOUR NEIGHBORS APPRECIATE IT.

Serving in JULY 2018

	July 1	July 8	July 15 UNITY SUNDAY 10:00 A.M.	July 22	July 29
Greeters	8:00am 10:45am	David & Mary Frevert Duane & Amy Wright	Lisa & Mike Nelson	John & Gloria Jenkins Cameron Pullman & Youth	Ken & Pat Rader Cathy Dodge & Jan Sij
Readers	8:00am 10:45am	Elaine Launderville Pam Pickett	Brent Garner	Sabrina Isbell Jeanne Meyer	Mary Frevert Lee Landauer
Video	8:00am 10:45am	David Heintz Eric Kerr	Matt Bolte	Stephany Franco Liam Scott	Sabrina Isbell Cole Brockoff
Acolyte	8:00am 10:45am	Reanna Dunlap Lizzie Gregory	Jena Eisma	Addison Faust Ellie Griffin	Abigail Tang Zachary Gust
Lead Counters	8:00am 10:45am	Fred & Shirley Lewis Von & Phyllis Von Holdt	Fred & Shirley Lewis Herb & Shirley Bernthal	Cari & Betty Brokaw Dennis & Verlee Scheel	Cari & Betty Brokaw Phil Garling & Elaine Launderville
Counters					
Lawn Care	Team #1 (Gas)	Team #2	Team #3	Team #4 (Edging)	Team #5
Office Helpers	June 29 David & Connie Heintz	July 6 Dorine Hand & Karen Launderville	July 13 Norman & Helen Jones	July 20 Jan Emmons & Marilyn Mansch	July 27 Charles & Debbie Wilken, R. Rumpf & M. Venenga, Maxine Reihman


SERVING ALL MONTH

ALTAR GUILD Mary Mayer & Mary Frevert

ELDERS 8:00am Mike Nelson
10:45am Brent Garner

USHERS 8:00am Team B
10:45am Team D
Jame Sij, Ray Eschenburg, Bruce Pilcher, Steve Moeller, Vern Schaefer
Jim Williams, Wes Pulst, Don Bracht, Bob Bauer, Phil Garling

JULY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 FEED MY SHEEP 8:00am—Communion 9:30am—Education Hour 10:45am—Communion	2 Cameron's Day Off	3 5:30pm- Education Team	4  4th of July OFFICE CLOSED	5 5:30pm-Youth Ministry Team No Living Disciple class	6 Pastor's Day Off 1pm-Assemble Bulletin 6:30—Cards	7
8 8:00am—Worship 9:30am—Education Hour 10:45am—Worship	9 Cameron's Day Off 11:30am— Outreach Team 6:30pm Elder's Meeting	10 6:30 Council Meeting	11 12pm-Clarion Articles Due 12pm-News & Notes Due	12 6:30pm Living Disciple Class	13 Pastor's Day Off 1pm-Assemble Bulletin	14
15 UNITY SUNDAY 8:00am—Communion 9:30am—Education Hour 10:45am—Communion	16 Cameron's Day Off	17	18 12pm-Staff Meeting 12pm-News & Notes Due	19 6:30pm Living Disciple class	20 Pastor's Day Off 1pm-Assemble Bulletin	21
22 8:00am—Worship 9:30am—Education Hour 10:45am—Worship	23 Cameron's Day Off	24	25 12pm-News & Notes Due	26 6:30pm Living Disciple class	27 Pastor's Day Off 1pm-Assemble Bulletin & Clarion	28
29 8:00am—Worship 9:30am—Education Hour 10:45am—Worship	30 Cameron's Day Off	31	Vacation Bible School through August 2 (Dinner at 5 PM., Programming 6-8 PM)			
Pastor Besel on Vacation until August 9						

Note to self: Check on Vacation Bible School

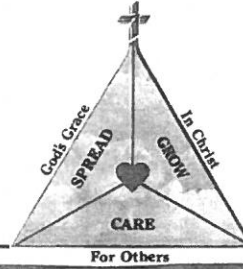
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