

August
2024



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Altar Flowers in August

4th— Brandon &
Jessica
Westerholm

11th— Albert &
Irene Menn

18th— James &
Malerie
Eichenholz

25th— George &
Gina Mannel

“Words of Faith” in August



4th— Stan &
Nancy Wieding

11th— Available

18th— Available

25th— Lydia
Whitwell

Pastor’s August Perspective: Learn to Be Content

From the Desk of
Pastor Dan



John Ortberg tells a modern parable about contentment. A little girl was taken by her parents to the Shrine of the Golden Arches. Her eyes quickly fixed on a combination of food and a toy known as a Happy Meal. “May I have one, please?” she asked her parents, adding: “I must have it. I don’t think I can live without it!” “No,” they answered, adding. “That toy is a cheap thing that just raises the price beyond what the meal’s really worth. We can’t afford it!”

But you don’t understand, the girl thought. She knew they wouldn’t *just* be buying McNuggets, fries and a *Secret Life of Pets* toy. They’d be buying HAPPINESS! So she pleaded: “I want this Happy Meal more than I’ve ever wanted anything before. And if I get it, I’ll never ask for anything again, ever! I’ll be content for the rest of my life.”

This seemed like a good idea to her parents, so they bought her the Happy Meal. *And it worked!* She grew up to be a satisfied, grateful person. But in many ways she had a hard life. The man she married turned out to be a louse. Her kids were a constant challenge. But she never complained. She’d gotten her Happy Meal! And just as she’d said, it brought her lasting contentment.

Really? Doesn’t life work that way for you, too? Only a child could be so naïve or foolish enough to believe that buying a Happy Meal could be the key to lasting contentment. Or maybe not. Maybe as we grow older, we don’t necessarily get any smarter—our Happy Meals just get more expensive!

What’s the secret of being content? Can we learn to be content? And what does all that have to do with the Bible? Everything.

I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content, says Paul. *I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.* Those who learn this aspect of contentment are able to see blessings even in the midst of trial and tribulation.

What’s the secret of being content? It’s JESUS! *I can do all things through Him who strengthens me*, says Paul. True contentment doesn’t depend on our situation, but only by trusting Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Contented in His Peace,

Pr. Dan Cave



August Birthdays

- 01 Debbie Lehmann
- 02 Diane Ratliff
- 03 Larry Ratliff
- 03 Laura Nash
- 04 Boone
Westerholm
- 05 Diane Terp
- 05 Chrissy Crawford
- 06 Manuel Ramos
- 07 Ava Koehler
- 07 Christian Koehler
- 07 Ronnie Foreman
- 07 Kelton Lange
- 07 Lance
Montgomery
- 09 Louann Fischer
- 10 Elaine Kalkwarf
- 11 Ronnie
Glenewinkel
- 12 Bill Ermel
- 12 Kitty Keller
- 14 Laura Beedy
- 15 Sue Blumberg
- 15 Kay Griffith
- 17 Bonnie Pfeil
- 17 Kevin Pfluger

Paraments and the Seasons and Festivals of the Church -Part 3

Following the Seventh Sunday of Easter, red paraments are used on Pentecost Sunday when we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit in the power of wind and wings of fire that descended upon the crowd in Jerusalem. Red symbolizes power, strength and fire. The next Sunday is Holy Trinity Sunday when paraments switch back to white. It is celebrated as a doctrine instead of an event. It is also symbolic of the unity of the Trinity when we remember and honor the belief of an eternal God, consisting of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Green is the liturgical color for the Sundays after Pentecost and also after Epiphany. Because it is the color of growth in nature, green symbolizes our need to grow and mature as disciples of Jesus. Like the Sundays after Epiphany, the Sundays during Pentecost are “counted” Sundays - ex. the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, etc. Many of the readings during Pentecost are of Jesus’ teachings and parables and of Paul’s letters to the new churches.

The women who made these paraments sewed two green sets. The summer paraments were first made and used in the LEC when we were enlarging the sanctuary and having worship there. Green with grapes, paraments used the fall, also symbolize the wine through which we receive Christ’s true blood. Through this sacrament we grow in grace and become more fruitful in our walk with Jesus.

Christian Cupboard Item of the Month

In the month of **August**, the Christian Cupboard states that with school beginning soon, their most needed items are **Hamburger and Tuna Helpers**. This includes any type or brand.

Please bring your donations to church through **August 31st** and place them in the basket in the narthex marked Christian Cupboard. Faith’s members have been wonderful supporters of the Christian Cupboard, and the Social Concerns Committee thanks you for your ongoing generosity.

August Anniversaries



- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 01 Kevin & Fonda Mathis | 02 Stan & Nancy Wieding |
| 08 Roy & Katherine Biediger | 11 Mark & Gail Herbold |
| 11 Ronnie & Linda Foreman | 14 Ed & Joyce Engelhardt |
| 15 Derick & Stephanie Kautzsch | 18 Brad & Marie Bettis |
| 19 Bill & Irys Hicklin | 20 Dale & Teresa Borgfeld |
| 26 Paul & Elaine Kalkwarf | 31 Ted & Doris Engelhardt |
| 31 Ryan & Megan Kelm | |



August Birthdays

- 18 Brian Baker
- 18 Lacey St. Clair
- 19 Sawyer Eichenholz
- 20 Jaxson Crew Harvey
- 20 Kai Seidenberger
- 22 Ted Engelhardt
- 24 Chase Boenig
- 24 Melissa Poole
- 24 Adalyn Scaramozi
- 25 Andy Kuehne
- 26 JW Flores
- 26 Jan Howe
- 26 Greg Schlather
- 27 George Mamarappallil
- 28 Lydia Whitwell
- 29 Caull Casey
- 29 Dale Borgfeld
- 29 Mike Burris
- 30 Brandon Westerholm

RALLY DAY FOR ALL AGES!

Sunday, August 25

10:15 in the LEC

Come **DIVE INTO** a new year of Sunday School!

* Games, * Snacks, * Fellowship



SAVE THE DATES

- August 11** – Blessing of the Backpacks
- August 25** – Sunday School Rally Day
- October 6** – Women of Faith Thankoffering Service
- October 13** – Church Picnic at Nolte Island
- October 20** – Polka Sunday

News From Your Mission

Outreach Ministry Team

Mission Outreach has donated \$3,500.00 to Moving Mountains in Guatemala for the work they are doing in helping families. We would also like to thank everyone that donated children's clothes for this very worthy organization. Blessings to all.



August 2024

WE NEED YOU!

As our ministries at Faith continue to grow, we are in need of five volunteers who would be willing to help teach a few Sundays a month during the Sunday School hour. No teaching experience is needed, but you must love God and want to serve the youth in our church. All the lessons are provided. Please pray about how you can serve these beautiful kids!



Rally Day

**August 25th in the LEC-
10:15-11:15**

**Come Dive Into a New Year
of Sunday School!**

All Ages Welcome!

**Enjoy games, snacks, and
Fellowship.**

End of Summer Meet Up Events for JAM

July 30- Splash Pad at Park West-
1:00-3:00 p.m.

August 7- Troll Movie-

Hometown Cinema 10:00

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

**Kids and Teachers- Bring your back-
packs on August 11th. They will be
blessed during the service!**

FLY NEWS

Summer has been busy for FLY in the best way possible! They took on major roles at VBS, such as leading their own crews, teaching entire classes, and performing/praying in the opening and closing skits. They also continue to bond with the JAM kids when helping with children's church and summer Sunday School lessons, trivia and games. As always, Wednesday nights come in clutch for the fun too! Look for our beach trip pics next month!





At this time in the life of our nation and with all that is happening throughout the world, it is most appropriate that we remember in our prayers those in the military and their families. Please remember in your daily prayers the following military personnel and their families:

Ann Sagebiel
Stoney Portis
Todd Wegner
David Daniels
Raul Davila III
Tony Leal, Jr.
Shannon Nance
Brad Dillon
Victor J. Rodriguez
Amanda Sagebiel
Cameron Koehler
Michael McBride
Jason Sagebiel
Michael Fruehling
Shelly Park
Ricky Fryer
Brian Branin
Jason Hubbard
Lance England
Kevin Pfluger
Robert Rabe



Texas District

Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth

Recognize and Respond

Back in 2019, leaders here in the Texas District took a leap of faith in creating Harvest Workers, our online ministry training program. The biblical inspiration came from Matthew 9 where we read about Jesus' daily ministry: he was teaching and preaching, healing, casting out demons, forgiving sins, and calling disciples. Day after day we read about this ongoing ministry among the ordinary people he encountered wherever he went. One of these days as he went about his work, he paused and surveyed the crowd. As he looked out upon the world that he was dwelling in, I believe he saw all of the problems: the hurt, pain, brokenness, issues, division, anger, addictions, and everything else. Jesus saw all of it!

And upon surveying the world and seeing the problems, Jesus wasn't depressed, angry, or hopeless. Nor did Jesus shame or blame people. Instead, Jesus was moved with compassion and speaks these words: *"The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest."*

I don't know about you, but when I pause to look around at the world, it is easy to see just how messed up so many things are. And the truth is that life is hard and full of complex problems. In the face of the magnitude of these problems, it would be easy to think that all we can do is pray. And certainly we should! But I believe God is calling us to also recognize and respond: to be sent out as Harvest Workers. The very next thing Jesus does after he said to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers: He sends them out! The same people he just told to pray, his disciples, he sent out!

Are you a disciple of Jesus? Do you follow Jesus? Is Jesus your Lord and Savior? If so... then Jesus is calling you and me and every other follower of Jesus to not only pray for Harvest Workers... but also to BE Harvest Workers. So it is time to lace up your work boots, y'all! We have work to do... work that will never save us, but that we were saved for as Paul writes in Ephesians 2:8-10.

Day by day as we live our lives in this messy world may we be like Jesus and be moved with compassion and live out the Gospel and share Jesus' love. **#LoveWorks2024**

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at www.harvestworkers.net). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or bryce@lcmctexas.org. © 2024 Bryce J. Formwalt, All Rights Reserved. Reprinted with permission. August 2024

OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO



**** Please note: if someone you have placed on this list has been helped by our prayers, please notify the church office so the person's name can be removed. Thank you for your cooperation.**

| | | |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Judy Saunders | Carolyn Sagebiel | Kelton Lange |
| Donald Jackson | Brad Flippin | Steve Foerster |
| Clara Fischer | Birdie Kuempel | Doris Rinn |
| Paul Quello | Dale Nauert | Patti Jahns |
| Debbie Lehmann | Sue Harwell | Georgie Dittrich |
| Ron Vanbeek | Sandy Wille | Don Hilbert |
| Susan Foerster | Wendy Gunn | Pat Bodine |
| Johanna Lange | Jack Hamlet | Wally Braun |
| Mark Herbold | | |

Chad Braun, son of Wally and Fran Braun

Juan Soliz, friend of Pat Sagebiel

Liza Mossler, former DIL of Fred/Sue Blumberg

Lindsey Taylor Knight, friend of Cathy Wensinger

Shanna Manor, goddaughter of Sue Blumberg

Ric Landvatter, friend of Faith Lutheran

Patsy Heckmann, grandmother of LeAnne White

Ian Beck Family, grandson of Pat Bodine

Jenelle Oeltjendiers, mother of Jo Ann Bogisch

Sophia Oliver, cousin of Lisa Owen

Chris Hilsberg, friend of the Kautzsch family

Barry Baker, brother of Brian Baker

Carol Nagie Steer, friend of Mary Koehler

Chris Wren, friend of Fred and Sue Blumberg

Amy Wheeler Lacy, friend of Doris Engelhardt

Blair Wolber, granddaughter of Janet Wolber

Gordon Johnson, friend of John Kuempel

Mark, friend of Larry and Kristy Serold

Janine Moltz, friend of Jessica Westerholm

London Blumberg, granddaughter of Fred/Sue

Elizabeth Walker, friend of Cecil/Syndra Schulze

Blumberg

Pat Liberty, friend of Susan Foerster

Pam Neal, friend of Roxanne Heckmann

Amy Sagebiel Bolin, daughter of Jim and Judy Sagebiel
and niece of Rose Mary Ermel

Hunter Hewell, friend of Birdie Kuempel

David Patrick, son-in-law of Bill & Kitty Keller

Janet Koenig, mother of Andrew Koenig

Anne Wolfe, friend of Julia Glenewinkel

Ellie Woytek, friend of Ted & Doris Engelhardt

Taylor Cannel, friend of Sue and Fred Blumberg

Doris Ermel, friend of FLC

Emma Wolter, friend of Debbie Vogel

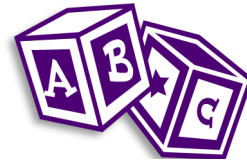
Marjorie Butterfield, friend of Angie Rohde

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the one who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference."

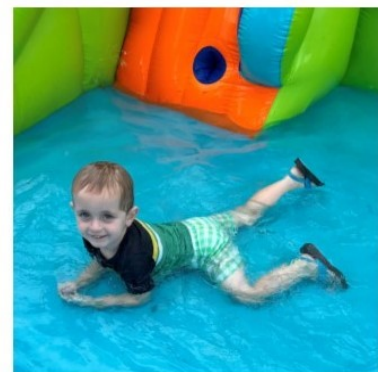
- Max Lucado

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by Preschool Director Lisa Owen



Summer Fun Continues



Would you be interested in volunteering at Faith Lutheran Preschool? We are looking for storytellers who would love to share the Good News with a Bible Story on a Wednesday morning at 10:45. We are also looking for singers and musicians who would share their talents on a Tuesday morning at 10:45. Let us know if you can help.

The Preschool Board will meet on August 4th at 10:15 in the Preschool

WOMEN OF FAITH IN AUGUST

Charity Circle—Monday, August 19th, in Activity Center at 7:00 PM

Love Circle—Tuesday, August 20th, in Activity Center at 9:30 AM

Hope Circle—Thursday, August 15th, in Activity Center at 2:00 PM

Time to Buy School Supplies for LWR School Kits

The stores have their shelves full of school supplies and the sales are on. Please remember to support the Women of Faith in providing school kits for Lutheran World Relief. In November 2023, Charity Circle sent 180 school kits to LWR. We could not have done it without the contributions of money and/or school supplies by the members of Faith.

This year, we will try to purchase many of our supplies in bulk from Amazon. However, the items that are not reasonably priced on Amazon are the **70 sheet spiral notebooks (wide or college ruled)** – no individual sheets of notebook paper. Right now, Wal-Mart and HEB have these 70 sheet spiral notebooks for 45 and 47 cents each respectively.

If you would like to support this project by purchasing school supplies, you may purchase these 70 sheet spiral notebooks or any of the following other supplies: crayons (24 ct.); 30 cm rulers with inches on other edge; black or blue ball point pens; unsharpened #2 pencils; 2 ½" erasers; blunt scissors; pencil sharpeners. Please place school supplies in the appropriate bin/basket in the Narthex by the doors. If you prefer to donate money to support our online purchases, please see Doris Engelhardt or turn into the church office with "school supplies" noted in the memo. Thank you for your help and support in this worthwhile project.

MEN OF FAITH

The Men of Faith Lutheran Church meet for fellowship and Bible study on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 AM in the Activity Center. All men in the congregation are invited to this devotional and time of fellowship.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

CASON ALLEN WHITE

Cason received the Promise, which is given in Holy Baptism on Sunday, June 30. Together with his parents, Chase and LeAnne, and his brother, Jackson, we share their joy as Cason was received into the Kingdom of God. The prayers of our church family are requested for him as he begins a New Life in Christ. The sponsors for Cason are Brent White, Amy Cantrell, Andrew Kuehne, Amanda and Bailey Robbins, and members of Faith Lutheran Church.



PRAYERS REQUESTED

For the family of **Gladys Fruehling**. Gladys passed through death into eternal life on Thursday, July 11, in New Braunfels. Private interment will be held at a later date. Please keep her family in your prayers in the days and weeks to come.



| | August 4 | August 11 | August 18 | August 25 |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| COMMUNION | Bill Ermel (B) | | Cathy Cave (B) | |
| COMMUNION | Gail Herbold (B) | | Carolyn Zipp (B) | |
| COMMUNION | Doris Engelhardt (W) | | Fran Braun (W) | |
| COMMUNION | Dianne Chambers (W) | | Elaine Bennett (W) | |
| Aide at Altar | Avis Herrick | | Gail Herbold | |
| LOCK UP | Candi Andrews | Jamie Hilbert | Brett Owen | Karla Johnson |
| Security Team | Ted Engelhardt | David Hernandez | Fred Shanafelt | Tim Bogisch |
| COUNT | Candi Andrews | Bill Ermel | Kathy Hamlett | Lisa Owen |
| COUNT | Dianne Chambers | Mark Herbold | David Moltz | Pat Sagebiel |
| USHERS | Tim Bogisch | Jud Alexander | Mike Andrews | Ed Engelhardt |
| | Mike Burris | Mark Herbold | Kyle Baker | Missy Sagebiel |
| | Albert Menn | Cecil Schulze | Paul Kalkwarf | Pat Sagebiel |
| | John Taddy | Chase White | Ronnie Glenewinkel | Glen Haas |
| LAY READERS | Georgie Dittrich | Kathy Hamlett | Michelle Kuempel | Molly Oehlke |
| Set Up | Carlee Goetz | | Carlee Goetz | |
| Set Up | Susan Foerster | | Susan Foerster | |
| Clean Up | Gail Herbold | | Gail Herbold | |
| Clean Up | Cathy Wensinger | | Julia Glenewinkel | |
| AV Workers | Chase White | Matthew/Chase | Matthew Fransen | Chase White |
| (Screens/Sound) | Diane Gwyther | Betty Moltz | Joe Eledge | Joe Eledge |
| GREETERS | Debbie Vogel | Sharon Stollerwerk | Joan Vanbeek | Alan Bonds |
| | Bryan Terp | David Moltz | Avis Herrick | Cheryl Bonds |

Please call the church office OR the head usher if you are scheduled to work and can not make it.

AUGUST 2024

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| ABBREVIATION KEY: AC= Activity Center Attention Ed Wing= Education Wing LEC= Life Enrichment Center Rentals Sant= Sanctuary KIt= Small Kitchen ChR= Choir Room =CR | | | | | | |
| 4 9:00AM(Sant) Worship w/ Comm. 10:15AM(AC/Ed Wing) Sun. School Committees/Ministry Team mtgs During SS hour - 10:15-11:15 Council Exec. Comm. Mtg.11:15 | 5 9:00AM Staff Meeting | 6 7:30AM (AC)Mens Bible Study 12:00PM (Ed Wing)VDC Reunion | 7 9:00AM(AC) Quilters 6:00-7:30PM(LEC) FLY (AC)6:30-8:00PM GriefShare 13wks. | 8 1-4PM(AC) YET Fellowship | 9 | 10 8:00AM(AC) Member Rental |
| 11 9:00AM(Sant) Worship 10:15AM(AC/Ed Wing) Sun. School Blessing of the Backpacks Council Meeting 11:30 AM | 12 9:00AM Staff Meeting | 13 7:30AM (AC)Mens Bible Study 12:00PM (Ed Wing)VDC Reunion Assistant Treasurer-Endowment Committee Start Process | 14 9:00AM(AC) Quilters 6:00-7:30PM(LEC) FLY (AC)6:30-8:00PM GriefShare 13wks. | 15 2:00PM (AC) Hope Circle | 16 | 17 Global Leadership Conf.-Staff |
| 18 9:00AM(Sant) Worship w/ Comm. 10:15AM(AC/Ed Wing) Sun. School | 19 9:00AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Charity Circle | 20 7:30AM (AC)Mens Bible Study 9:30AM(AC) Love Circle 12:00PM (Ed Wing)VDC Reunion *Newsletter Deadline* | 21 9:00AM(AC) Quilters 6:00-7:30PM(LEC) FLY 6:15(Sant) Hand Bells 6-6:30PM(CR) Joyful Noise 7:00(CR) Choir | 22 1-4PM(AC) YET Fellowship | 23 | 24 (AC)Member Rental |
| 25 9:00AM(Sant) Worship 10:15AM(AC/Ed Wing) Sun. School Rally Day for all Sunday School | 26 9:00AM Staff Meeting 6:30-9:00PM (AC) Via de Cristo | 27 7:30AM (AC)Mens Bible Study 12:00PM (Ed Wing)VDC Reunion 6:30PM Game Night SAL | 28 9:00AM(AC) Quilters 6:00-7:30PM(LEC) FLY 6:15(Sant) Hand Bells 6-6:30PM(CR) Joyful Noise 7:00(CR) Choir | 29 | 30 | 31 |

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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

- † Candi Andrews- Secretary & Youth/Children's Ministry Team
- † Brian Baker- Council President
- † Brad Bettis - Worship Team
- † Alan Bonds - Property and Management Team
- † James Eichenholz -
- † Kathy Hamlet- Stewardship Team
- † Mark Hazel -
- † Jamie Hilbert- Vice-President and Social Concerns Team
- † Karla Johnson- Assistant Treasurer and Evangelism Team
- † Brett Owen- Treasurer

Church Staff

- P/T Pastor.....Pastor Daniel Cave
- Youth Director.....Laura Beedy
- Office Manager.....Angie Rohde
- Music / Communications Director
Roxanne Heckmann
- Children's Music Director.....LeAnne
 White
- Accompanist.....Kate Oehlke
- Children's Ministry Kim
 Kautzsch
- Financial Asst.....Carol Baker

Preschool & Extended Care Staff

- Pre-K four-year-old class (5 days) -.....Paula
 Neuman/Sheri Scaief
- Pre-K four-year-old class (5 days) -Jennifer
 Thompson/Morgan Bermea
- Pre-K three-year-old class (5 days) -..... Laura
 Joiner/Dianna Merz
- Pre-K three-year-old class (3 days) -Joy
 McKinnis/Donna Smith
- Mother's Morning Out class—.....Kristen Haener/
 Kim Kautzsch
- Full time two-year-old class—.....Janelle Ramirez
 Raelyn Wilson
- Extended Care—.....Paula Neuman, Morgan
 Bermea, Dianna Merz,
- Director—Lisa Owen

What's Happening in August?

Sunday, August 4th
Ministry Team Meetings

Sunday, August 11th
Blessing of the Backpacks

Wednesday, August 14th
1st Day of School – NISD

Thursday, August 15th
1st Day of School– SISD

Wednesday, August 21
Music Rehearsals Begin

Sunday, August 25th
Rally Day for All Sunday School