

# **WEEKLY NEWS ~ JULY 22, 2022**

**PASTOR ALYSSA'S SCHEDULE HAS CHANGED! HER DAY OFF IS NOW FRIDAY INSTEAD OF MONDAY.**

**INTERN EMILY WILL HAVE MONDAY AS HER DAY OFF.**

## **TECHINICAL SUPPORT REQUEST**

We continue to work on improving the technical quality of our services. Are you having problems hearing or understanding any parts of our Sunday services? If so, please contact me directly and let me know as much specific information as possible about what you are experiencing. Is it only part of the service? Which parts? Is it an individual or a specific location in the sanctuary? Are you online or in person? If in person, where do you normally sit? Thanks!

Richard Whitwer

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## **ZOOM TEAM ROTATION**

The Zoom Team is looking for a couple more people to join the rotation of facilitating Zoom and Facebook Live during worship. If you are interested, please contact Richard at the above email/phone number.

## **COVID TEST KITS**

We have Covid-19 Rapid At-Home test kits available at the church. The expiration dates have been extended 3 months, so even though they are dated as expiring 7/20/2022 they are good through 10/19/2022.

## **GLOBAL FARM CHALLENGE**

The VBS children brought in offerings each morning to buy beehives and, together with the generous donations from the congregation, we're very happy to report we have \$244.59 to send in. That will buy over 11 hives, at \$20 each! Needy families will harvest honey and wax to use and sell, thanks to your contributions.

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS**

Gloria Dei was buzzing with activity during VBS week! We had a small group of kids, which made for very special opportunities to be flexible, to personalize our activities, and to really get better acquainted.

Very special thanks and recognition to everyone who made our week such a blessing:

- Pastor Alyssa and Intern Emily greeted everyone each morning (even on their days off!) and joined in on the Bible lessons. Thanks to Intern Emily for teaching us a couple fun songs!
- Kathy & Richard Whitwer taught crafts and took lots of photos.
- Janet Tilton taught us about the work of ELCA World Hunger in areas of the world. She also led us in energetic games.
- Susan Paterson planned and prepared delicious and nutritious snacks.
- Connie Reager helped with snacks and brought in yummy cranberry drinks and craisins.
- Leslie Green helped with registration.
- Kira Smith and Mira Valleli presented fun skits each morning to tell the day's theme.
- Ella Warner kept us on schedule, counted the offerings, and helped the younger children.
- Many generous Gloria Dei members gave money donations and brought in snack items.

The week was truly a team effort and a joy for everyone!

Lynn Danner

## **ALTAR GUILD NEEDS HELP**

Our faithful Altar Guild members could use some help. This group of people sets up each week for the service, including preparing the altar, setting up for Communion, and changing the banners when needed. Please contact Sharon Larcom (541-756-3964) or Lynn Danner (541-217-4655) for more information, or to volunteer to help!

## **FINANCES**

Gloria Dei Family could use some money to tide us over through the next weeks. We have about \$12,000 available. We have almost \$15,000 of bills and payroll, and July is not over.

Our bank account money is mostly dedicated to specific expenses. That's why it's still in the bank. We can't use dedicated funds to pay most of our regular bills. We need some general funds. And we can really use them this month and likely through the rest of the summer.

Thank you for understanding and thank you for helping.

## **GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.**

The Stewardship Team is planning God's Work. Our Hands Sunday for September 11, 2022. We have decided to order shirts again this year. The shirts will have Gloria Dei's name on the back, and we can wear them for other service projects, or just wear them whenever, as well. A sign up sheet for t shirts is available in the office!



<b>SIZES AVAILABLE:</b>	<b>COST:</b>
YOUTH: SMALL – LARGE	\$8.45 for all Youth sizes and Adult sizes S - XL
ADULT: SMALL – 5XL	\$10.45 2XL, \$11.45 3XL, \$12.45 4XL, \$13.45 5XL

## **VOCAL RECITAL**

Vocal and guitar recital, students of Dave Aakre on Saturday, July 23, 2022, 3 pm, Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Students are excited to have an opportunity to perform for the public since the Covid disruption.

The students performing include: Singing — Emma Warr “The Rainbow Connection” & “Naughty” from the musical “Matilda”; Kerry Oxford “Vedrai, Carino” by Mozart and “Chanson Triste” by Duparc; Neville Cordell “The Policeman’s Song” from “Pirates of Penzance” and “Ol’ Man River” from “Showboat”; Aryana Mill “Dein Blaues Auge” by Brahms and “Pieta Signore!” by Alessandro Stradella; Caylee Renard “Sure on this Shining Night” by Samuel Barber and “Panis Angelicus” by Cesar Franck; Jared Bower “Evermore” from “Beauty and the Beast” and Si mes vers Avaient des Ailes” by Renaldo Hahn.

Guitar — Eric Mowray: Two improvised Blues selections.

Special performance by the Accidentals Barbershop Quartet.

<b>LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 40 in person, 16 online</b>
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