

First Evangelical Lutheran



June 2016

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
NA- Narcotics Anonymous AA – Alcoholics Anonymous *non First activity			1 *4H Camp Training 7-9 p.m.	2 *NA-7	3	4
5	6 *AA-6-9	7 TWL – 5 p.m. *WyCares Bd Mtg 6 p.m.	8	9 *NA-7	10 *Quilters 6	11
12 Pr Weaver Ordination Recognition and Potluck	13 *4H Mtg 5:30 p.m. *AA-6-9	14 TWL – 5 p.m.	15	16 *NA-7	17	18
19 FATHER’S Day Children’s Sunday!	20 Ladies Night Out 6 p.m. *AA-6-9	21 TWL – 5pm Council 7 p.m.	22	23 *NA-7	24	25
26 Welcome New Members!	27 *AA 6-9	28 *LOMO mtg 1-4 p.m. TWL – 5pm	29	30 *NA – 7		



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I write to you after an emotional Synod Assembly. If you are on the internet you probably saw on the synod website that we now have a new Bishop Daniel Beaudoin. He is 47 married with three children He has been at St John Stony Ridge and St Peter Edon. I would describe him as a quiet, thoughtful person whom I think will lead the Synod in the right direction. He will be installed July 23 at St Mark Lutheran Bowling Green at 1pm by Presiding Bishop Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Eaton. Everyone is invited.

As the days get warmer (finally) our thoughts turn to summer. Travel is good if you are gone on a Sunday find a place to worship if you like a worship style or hymn let us know. Also send your offering to the church when you are gone.

I give thanks for everyone and keep you in prayer

Rev. Richard Weaver

NWOSynod elected a new Bishop in May!



(Bishop Abraham Allende, NEOhio Synod, Bishop Donald Kreiss, SEMichigan Synod, Bishop-elect Beaudoin, Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt, Southern Ohio Synod, Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Bishop Lohrmann)

CHICAGO (ELCA) - The Rev. Daniel Beaudoin, Stony Ridge, was elected May 21 to a six-year term as bishop of the Northwestern Ohio Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The election was held during the Synod Assembly May 19-21 at the Bowen Thompson Student Union at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Beaudoin was elected on the fourth ballot with 273 votes to 108 votes for the Rev. Anita Marshall, pastor of St. Peter in Norwalk, Ohio, and 52 votes for the Rev. Marc Miller, Director of Evangelical Mission for the Northwestern Ohio Synod.

Beaudoin has served as senior pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Stony Ridge since 2004. He was pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Edon, Ohio, from 1996 to 2004.

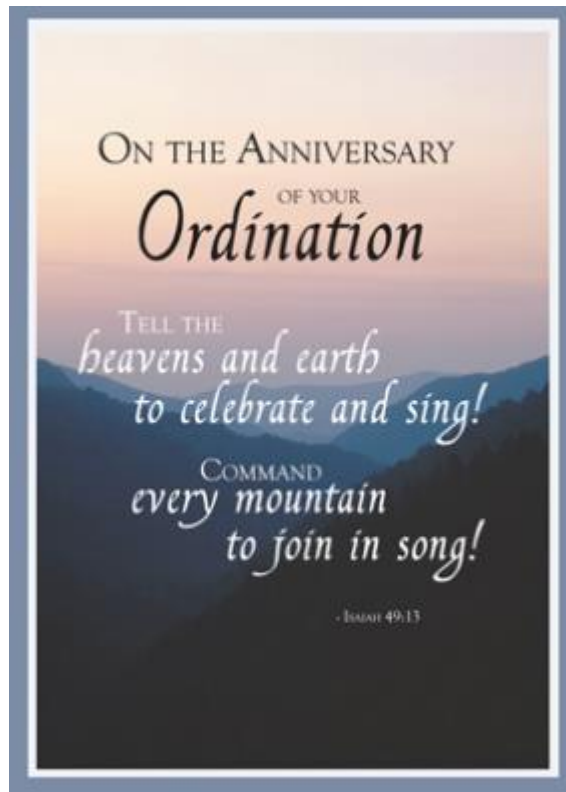
The bishop-elect earned a Bachelor of Arts in History degree from Oakland University in Rochester, Mich., a Master of Divinity degree from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, and a Master of Arts in Medieval History degree from the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio. Trinity is one of eight ELCA seminaries.

The Rev. Dr. Marcus Lohrmann, current bishop of the ELCA Northwestern Ohio Synod, has served three six-year terms and will retire this summer.

Beaudoin will be installed as bishop Saturday, July 23, at 1 p.m., at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Ordination Anniversary

Pastor Weaver was ordained June 6th, 1982 at Atonement Lutheran Church in Columbus. We will be celebrating this milestone with Pastor and Darlene on June 12th. Coincidentally, the Fellowship Committee had already planned on announcing a Potluck on that date so we will celebrate with a potluck following service that day!



May Council News

May 17, 2016

Present: Brenda Zeigler, Linda Welker, Mary Wright, Sally Kirian, Tom Martin, Joyce Kuenzli, Lynn Burks, Karen Magers, Lisa Rife, Amanda Rowlinson
Excused: Chad Stoneburner

Karen Magers opened with prayer.

March Minutes: Okay as printed!

Old Business:

- Painting will resume in the church with the lower level and sacristy hall!
- A \$2002.77 check was presented to Salem Lutheran of Flint by the Bennett's and the Burks. Presentation was made at service on May 15th regarding water crisis. A pulpit exchange with the pastor of Salem Lutheran is also in the works.
- Offering was taken at May 15th service and is to be taken by Linda Welker to the Synod Assembly.
- Synod Assembly May 19-21 will be attended by the Pastor, Linda Welker and Tom & Betty Martin.
- Carpet has been checked into further. Few samples obtained and a new estimate will be received soon.

New Business:

- Gideon representative will be at church on Sunday May 22nd. This was a perfect time as we wanted to give Pr. Weaver a break from the Synod Assembly weekend. An offering will be collected and given to the representative that day.
- Darlene Weaver, pastor's wife, mentioned to Brenda Zeigler that Pastor's ordination anniversary is in June. She would like to bring a cake in on June 12th to share with the congregation.
- Fellowship committee had planned to have a potluck on June 12th and was to announce this at council. Now we will have the potluck to honor Pr. Weaver!

- Visitations from the preacher to our home bound, hospitalized and dear members are going good. He is seeing a few people each week.
- Kristin Ealy met with some of the youth (grades 6-12) on May 15th. This was an exploration meeting to find out where their heads are on what kind of Youth Group they want to see here at First. Plans will be discussed and made over summer to get them going in a structured group by Fall!
- Jean Gottfried reported to Brenda Zeigler that our Synod was able to get 2 candidates from the grads at Trinity Lutheran Seminary this year.

Committee Reports:

- Christian Education - Lynn Burks will be finding a time and get more details out about a party at Putt Putt for our Sunday School Kids.
- Outreach-Pork Chop dinner is this coming Thursday the 19th of May. All sub-committees seem to have everything handled and are ready to go!
- Tuesdays with LIFE - Lynn Burks and Judy Back inventoried both churches to see what we had on hand for cooking. Lists were given to all entree leaders. Summer Food Program is beginning. The SFP and the TWL are on same account for Food Bank and it has been discovered that the SFP should also include Adults. So adults that need a food bag will not be turned away.
- Fellowship- The committee was working on a Potluck for June 12th and now it can be in honor of Pr. Weaver too! Meat, drink and table service provided.

God's Work Our Hands will be at the museum again this year!

Kristin Ealy suggested (based on suggestions) that Worship and Music Committee meet to explore the ideas of an outdoor service this summer.

Meeting ended with all praying the Lord's Prayer.

June Special Days



Remington Newell – 3rd
Jason Zimmerman – 5th
Patti Glover – 9th
Chuck Gottfried – 10th
Paul Burks – 11th
Phil Nieset – 13th
Eli Kidwell – 18th
Duane Shock – 19th
Nancy Stalter – 19th
Nathaniel Stansbery – 20th
Makala Burks – 21st
Chandler King – 23rd
Missy Zimmerman – 24th
Pam Hight – 26th
Maggie Bower – 29th



9th – James & Terry Walter
12th – Paul & Lynn Burks
19th – Chuck & Jean Gottfried
26th – Walker & April Gottfried

If you or someone you know were inadvertently left off the special days list, please notify the office!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School will resume in August! Thank you to the Sunday School staff for ALWAYS being great leaders for our children!



Laura Wines, Janine McMillan, Mary Wright
Missing was Brenda Zeigler (who was in Catechism Class)

Sunday School is Cool



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

June 5th

Flowers: Pat & Marty Denney

Acolyte: Ross Swinehart

Reader: Lisa Rife

June 12th

Flowers: Dorothy Blackburn

Acolyte: Reese Stansbery

Reader: _____

June 19th

Flowers: Paul & Lynn Burks

Acolyte: MacKenzie Kidwell

Reader: YOUTH

June 26th

Flowers: _____

Acolyte: Nate McMillan

Reader: _____

Usher: Martin/McMillan Family

Council Person of the Month: Tom Martin

Communion Preparer: Lynn Burks



OLD MISSION CHURCH

All services begin at 8 a.m.

June 5th – Bob Greene – Associate at John Stewart UMV

June 12th – Rev. Jim Stauffer Sr. Pastor at Trinity Evangelical UMC

June 19th – Chief Ted Roll, grand chief of the Wyandot of Anderdon Nation, Michigan

June 26th – Rev. Doug Pummel –Associate at John Stewart UMC

Services will run in July and August as well.

Will update with list when it becomes available!



UPDATE: a great list is already in the works! We will post this list on the bulletin board in Cross Hall soon. Please remember, all these items will be stored with the owner until such a time they are needed. Thank you for the support thus far!

How this works: We are asking congregational members to donate for no charge any medical devices they may have available. These items would be loaned to members of the congregation that may have need of them for as long as needed.

The individual owners of the equipment would continue to store and maintain their items. The church would have listing of all equipment available and will make arrangements to pick up any needed items from the owners to deliver to the users.

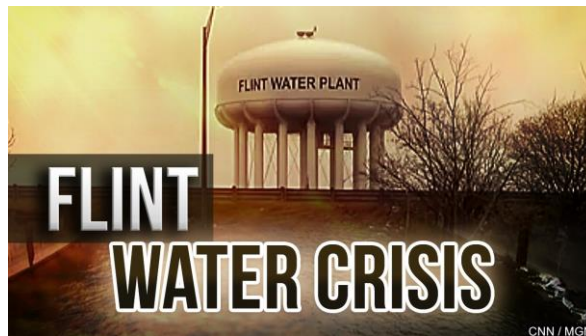
When finished with the borrowed equipment the user would then notify the church and someone would pickup and return to the owner.

Items needed for use would be canes, crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, some splints, bathroom equipment, etc.

We do ask that any equipment being loaned be CLEAN and in GREAT working order! We wouldn't want to contribute to a user's health and well being!

A contact person will be appointed at a later time. Right now we are compiling lists of items that would be available for loan.

IF you have any of the described equipment or something to add, please notify the office or Tom Martin. Once a list is complete we will launch the program with further details!



A few more words about Salem Lutheran Church, Flint, MI and their water crisis....

Here is the closing quote from Ryan Cumming, educator and writer with ELCA World Hunger . . .

“We may not be eating bread and wine at an altar or singing hymns, but here, in this office (Pastor’s), this is Church in its most basic form – a site of relief for those in need, a safe space to share dangerous stories of guilt and pain, and a place to unite to hold our leaders accountable when they fail to protect the well-being of all citizens.

Here, too, we are surrounded by weighty symbols – the brown water and corroded pipes that symbolize injustice, and the donated water from across the state and letters of support from all over the nation that symbolize a community committed to not let that injustice stand. The icons here represent a community of neighbors that transcend boundaries to accompany one another.

It is impossible to miss the sacramental volatility of water, that medium that gives life and takes life. It encapsulates the irony of living in the Great Lake State without clean water to drink. It symbolizes both the life-giving grace of the created world and the death-dealing abuses of power that come when we silence and marginalize our neighbors. It is the touchpoint that knits together people across the spectrum of faiths and no-faith. It has become a rallying point for a community to come together.

Long after the media has left, Flint will still be dealing with this catastrophe. The lead will still be in the pipes, and the chemicals and bacteria will still be in the river. But people of faith and people of goodwill will still be here, too, to accompany one another and to hold government accountable. And that should give hope in Flint and urgent anxiety in Lansing, where both are needed.”

How can we help Salem Lutheran Church and the people in Flint, MI?

- Pray for the members of Salem Lutheran Church that they can continue to offer hope...
- Send letters of encouragement and support for all that they are doing for the neighborhood...
- Send monetary donations for ongoing needs such as filtering pitchers, personal water storage systems, replacement filters, baby wet wipes, diapers, etc....
- Place an order with Amazon Prime for the *Salem Lutheran Church Wish List*. Purchases are sent directly to the church and billed to your account...
- Amazon Smile charitable contributions can be sent to “*Community Foundation of Greater Flint*” to help children and families in Flint.
- Contact Lynn Burks, Christian Education committee chair; Tom Martin, Outreach committee chair or any member of First Lutheran Church with ideas to pursue our church’s further involvement.
- Keep up on the latest news from Salem Lutheran Church on its Facebook page.

Pastor Monica Villarreal may be reached at the following address:

Rev. Monica Villarreal, Salem Lutheran Church, 2610 Martin Luther Avenue, Flint, MI 48505 The church’s telephone number is 810-235-0863.





June 12th – Fellowship Potluck and honoring
Pr. Weaver's Ordination Anniversary!

June 19th – Children's Sunday and FATHER's Day!

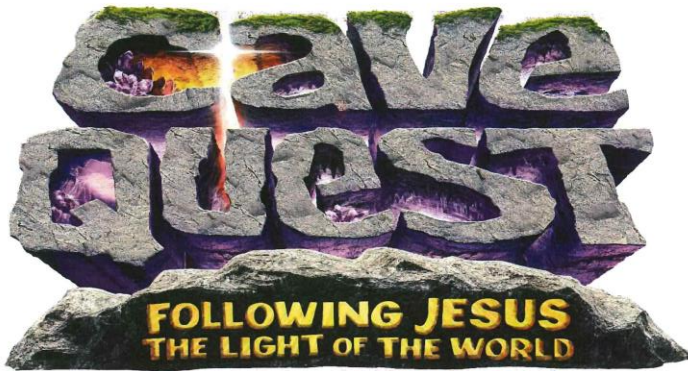
June 26th – We welcome New Members!

July 18-22 – Vacation Bible School

July 23rd @ 1 p.m. – St Mark's in Bowling Green, Pastor
Beaudoin will be installed as Bishop!

August 21st – Return to Sunday School and Blessing of
Students and Teachers

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
brought to you by the Lutheran Churches of Upper Sandusky
First Evangelical and St Paul



New friends * Amazing experiments * Spelunker Sports
Lip-smacking snacks * Surprising adventures * Incredible music

When: July 18-22 9-11:30 a.m.
Where: First Evangelical Lutheran Church
601 North Sandusky Avenue

For more information please contact the church offices at
419.294.3544 or 419.294.2831

CO-OP CORNER

News from various shared ministries

Tuesdays With LIFE

June 7th – Desserts

June 14th – Kimmel/Boes

June 21st – Desserts

June 28th – Denney, Welker, Wright, Martin

We will need **3** workers every time we have desserts (every other week) and we will not be supplying a side dish as it will be part of the entrée. For information or how you can help, please contact Betty Martin!

LADIES NIGHT!



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Corner Inn

June 20th at 6 p.m.

\$10

Reservations to Brenda Zeigler at 419-294-5179 by June 14th, please.

Community

Christian Food Pantry
We are collecting
Canned Meat
For the month of June.



Please bring your donations to the South Room and place inside baskets provided.



Remember that time
when Jan Stoneburner
gave a message about
seeds? Look what
happened when Tom
and Juanita Zeigler
took care of those
seeds. With love and
faith they nurtured a
nearly 8 foot “tree” out
of
TWO LIMA BEANS!



Weekly Readings

June 5th

1 Kings 17:17-24

Elijah revives a widow's son

Psalms 30

My God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. (Ps. 30:2)

Galatians 1:11-24

The gospel is received through a revelation of Jesus Christ

Luke 7:11-17

Jesus revives a widow's son

June 12th

2 Samuel 11:26--12:10, 13-15

Nathan tells the story of the lamb to David

Psalms 32

Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. (Ps. 32:5)

Galatians 2:15-21

Crucified with Christ; justification through grace

Luke 7:36--8:3

The woman anointing the feet of Jesus is forgiven

June 19th

Isaiah 65:1-9

The prophet sent to a rebellious people

Psalms 22:19-28

In the midst of the assembly I will praise you. (Ps. 22:22)

Galatians 3:23-29

In baptism, clothed with Christ; no longer Jew or Greek

Luke 8:26-39

Jesus casts out demons possessing a man of the Gerasenes

June 26th

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Elijah says to Elisha, Follow me and do not continue plowing

Psalms 16

I have set the LORD always before me. (Ps. 16:8)

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Love is the whole law, gift of the Spirit

Luke 9:51-62

Jesus says, Follow me and do not look back

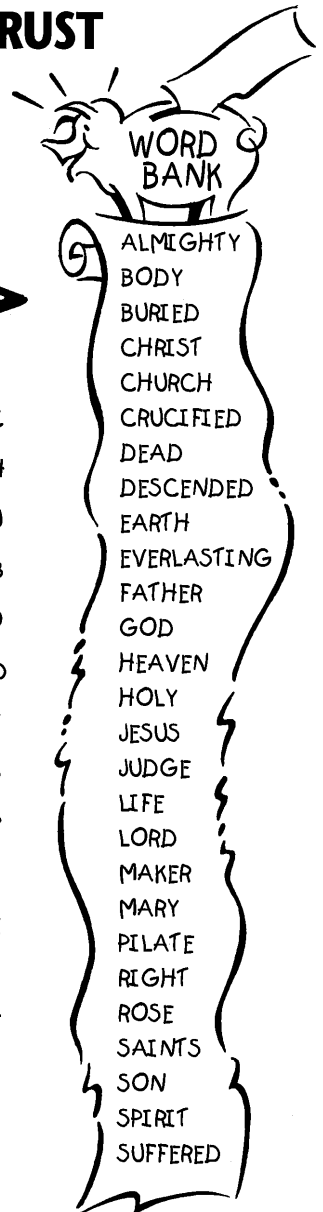
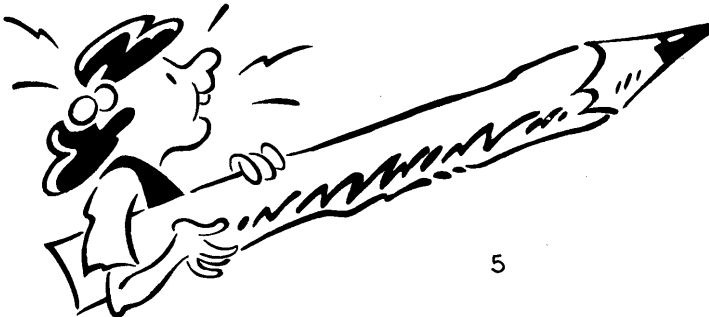
THE GOD I KNOW AND TRUST



The wordplays in this book will help you learn what the Bible teaches about the God you know and trust.

Find and circle these words from the Apostles' Creed. Be sure to look up-and-down and back-and-forth.

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