# St. Mark's Lutheran Church News Notes July-August 2021

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.

(Lamentations 3:22, 23)

# WOLFSVILLE COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Host Church: Salem UMC *July 12-16*6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Ages 4 through 12 Sponsor: Wolfsville Ruritan Club

### Theme

Knights of North Castle: Quest for the King's Armor

Children grow strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power by exploring how we put on the armor of God.

Each evening will include:

Singing
Bible Adventures
Snacks
Crafts
Recreation

Please help spread the word and bring your young learners to summer VBS.



# **July Birthdays**

(Please let Lois know of any additions or corrections.)

- 2 Vaughn Smith
- 4 Melissa Cristler
- 6 Cody Ward
- 9 Robert Wisner
- **10** Bradley Coblentz
- 14 Mike Cline
- 15 Hilda Cartee
- **16** Bonnie Cline
- 17 Wade Feaga
- 19 Rick Hessong
- 21 Stephen Wolf
- 23 Barbara Kemp
- 27 Hilary Young Jonathan Wolf
- 28 Jonathan Young Leah Feaga
- 29 Dawn Reed
- **30** Whalen Baldwin Granger Cameron
- 31 Larry Moser

### **July Anniversaries**

29 - Gerald and Karen Kunde

#### **Moser Family Vacation**

Pastor Eric and family will be on vacation June 28-July 7. Pastor David Kaplan will be leading worship on July 4. Pastor Bob Driver-Bishop will be available for pastoral care. He can be reached at 301-357-4569

Love is like a butterfly: It goes where it pleases and it pleases wherever it goes.

# **August Birthdays**

- 1 Cinda Morgan
- 2 Paul Spangler
- 3 Elizabeth Barkdoll David Buhrman Steve Palmer
- 4 Audrey Routzahn
- 9 Vera Morgan Judith Horst
- 11 Abby Dillon Carter Mills
- 15 Janice Saul Steve Struharik
- 16 Wayne Lewis
- 18 Susie Ward
- 19 Angie (Frushour) Kessler
- 22 Tricia (Buhrman) McGoldrick
- 23 Christina Fromm
- 25 Douglas Spade
- 29 Lonnie Spade
- 31 Sydney Neel Mike Frushour

# **August Anniversaries**

- 2 Merle and Doris Gaver
- 6 Jim and Karen Bowyer Richard and Anita Harshman
- 9 Zene and Audrey Wolfe
- 13 Calvin and Kay Goad
- 22 Steve and Jean Struharik

# **Sharing Your Stories**

The Myersville-Wolfsville Area Historical Society is seeking brief accounts of personal experiences of living through the 2020-21 **pandemic** in our area. These stories may be of interest to those who view this scrapbook in the future. Accounts can be just a few sentences or longer from individuals, no matter their age, or families. You may include your name, if you wish. Email Babs Savitt at babssavitt@aol.com.

# **Annual Wolfsville Picnic** *Sat.*, *Aug. 21*, *2021* 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Food, fun, fellowship White Elephant stand Musical Entertainment

# WE NEED YOU

This is St. Mark's biggest fundraiser of the year and lots of help is needed to spruce up the woods and the food stand, set up early Sat. morning, work in the stands, and tear down afterwards. Please volunteer your time and resources to help make this a profitable day for St. Mark's and a special day for all in our community. *More details to come soon*.

Congratulations to our community college graduates!

Caroline Reed graduated from Hagerstown Community College.

**Holden Coblentz** graduated from Frederick Community College.

Both will be continuing their education at other colleges this fall.



# Summer Service Project HYGIENE KITS (Church World Service)

Once again this year, we will be collecting items for hygiene kits to be delivered to the CWS distribution center in New Windsor, MD.

In the face of natural disasters, violence, or poverty, hygiene kits can mean the difference between sickness and health for struggling families.

#### For each kit:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 15"x 28" to 16"x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel or micro-fiber)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One finger nail or toe nail clipper
- One bath size bar of soap
- One **toothbrush** in the package
- Ten standard size Band-aids
   (A tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each hygiene kit just prior to its journey.)

Each kit will be packed in a **one-gallon Ziploc type bag.** A processing fee of **\$2** is requested for each kit.

PLEASE BRING ITEMS THROUGH THE END OF AUGUST.

Hands and Hammers, a group of Christian men in the Smithsburg area, is willing to serve the community by helping those less fortunate and the elderly with minor household repairs (minor carpentry, electrical repairs, plumbing, drywall repair, etc.) Please contact Pastor Eric if you are willing to volunteer or for more information. "I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow." ~Abraham Lincoln

# Summary of Delaware-MD Synod Assembly submitted by Bishop William Gohl, Jr., June 4-5, 2021

(Pastor Eric participated from St. Mark's.)

Held virtually on Zoom with 413 voting members and guests

Tech Team managed Zoom with local leadership and equipment

- Worship 9:00 p.m. on Friday
- Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m. Saturday
- Resolution to establish fund to support Approved Candidates from, or assigned to, our synod awaiting first call
- All reports were pre-recorded with real-time questions and answers, including reports from officers and Mission Teams
- "Toured" pandemic-time ministry
- Recognized congregations and rostered ministers celebrating significant anniversaries in 2020-21
- Elected members for Synod Council, Discipline Committee, Consultation Committee, and voting members for 2022 Churchwide Assembly
- A call for online assemblies in rotation with in-person gatherings

The 35<sup>th</sup> Synod Assembly will be held in Ocean City, MD from May 12-14, 2022.