



Birthdays

- 2 - Brady Harr
- 6 - Kay Stahl
- 7 - Annette Harris
- 8 - Dixie Schmitt
Carl Kurth
- 10 - Amanda Callahan
- 13 - Kaiti Chadburn
- 14 - Sara Hanson
- 15 - Gareld Johnson
- 16 - Audrey Arndt
Alyssa Brooks
- 17 - Arlynn Ahrens
Lilley Bangert
- 18 - Gary Sheppard
Rev. Pierce Chadburn
- 19 - Becky Fink
- 20 - Sharon Akers
Tamra Schmitt
Julie Bollhagen
Jack Treanor
- 23 - Stephanie Behn
- 24 - Karen McVicker
- 25 - Tillie Nelsen
Rev. Adam Baumann
- 26 - Lori Miller
- 27 - Steven Kruse
Erica Kearney
- 28 - Dan Grell
- 29 - Lowell Brown
Scott Harr
Judy VanRaden
- 30 - Tony Eisentrager

Enjoy Your
Special Day!



Anniversaries

- 1 - Gary & Kay Sheppard
- 4 - Gerry & Sarah Heilskov
- 6 - Rory & Teri Fender
Nathan & Kari Subbert
- 10 - Jim & Pam Hansen
- 13 - Mike & Janet Betten
- 15 - Alan & Janelle Fink
- 19 - Gary & Dorothy Brinkley
Tony & Christy Eisentrager (25)
- 22 - Gene & Marlene Lampe (50)
- 24 - Jason & Audry Arndt
- 27 - Randy & Lucy Oehlert



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Ushers

Lynn Arends, Chair Rory Fender
Mike Spetman Ryan Tripp

Greeters

Sharon Akers
Gareld & Lois Johnson
Joyce Koch
Laverne Rodemeyer

Acolytes

- 3 - Colin Harr
- 10 - Slade Pigman
- 17 - Henry Subbert
- 24 - Cooper Hansen

Special Needs Communion



If you are unable to make Sunday morning worship and wish to receive small group or individual communion, please call the church office. This is being offered in place of the monthly Special Needs service.



Wednesday, September 6th at
2:00 PM.

Devotion/Bible Study: Beth Fink
Hostess: Julie Ahrens

All ladies are welcome.
Please join us!



Christian Education



- Sunday School will begin next Sunday, September 10th.
- Sunday morning Adult Bible Study will begin a new study on closed communion.
- Confirmation will begin on Wednesday, September 13th at 4:15 PM.
- Vicar Shepard's Monday morning Bible Study will begin on Monday, September 11th at 9:00 AM.



The H-D/Cal Football Sideliners will be using our Kitchen and Fellowship Hall for their Thursday night meals on September 7th, 14th, 28th and

October 12th. They are very appreciative of the use of our large space to accommodate the team and their community mentors!

Sing to the Lord!

The Choir will begin practices on Sunday, September 24th at 8:00 AM in the sanctuary. All are welcome and encouraged to come sing praises to our Father who blesses us so richly.



Thank You, Trinity

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, and visits to Don the past 2 years. He proudly shared each card and remembered who visited. Pastor, he always appreciated when you and Vicar Cox visited.

We also want to thank you for all the cards, plants, flowers, food, visits, and especially your prayers since his passing. This has meant so much to us. The generous memorials have been given to places that he loved.

Thank you, Pastor for the uplifting sermon and to the ladies who worked at the funeral luncheon.

We are so blessed to be a part of such a loving and caring church family. May God bless each of you.

Beth and Family

Remember our shut-ins with your prayers, cards, and visits...

- *Country View Nursing Facility:
Mavis Claypool, Jennie Dellinger,
Bob Heilskov, Doris Knueppel, Melba
Muhlenbruch, Tillie Nelsen
- *Franklin General Assisted Living:
Merlin Behn, Dixie Schmitt,
Arlene Troester
- *Rehabilitation Center of Hampton:
Daisy Bentrrott
- *Hubbard Care Center:
Mildred Pingel
- *Our members at home who may not be able to come to church.



Please enjoy the crossword puzzle at the end of the newsletter. Stephanie created this puzzle, and she has the answers. Bring the completed puzzle (with your name on it) into the church office by September 25th to be entered in a drawing to win a prize😊.

PS: #9 and #11 are tricky. You may have to Google these questions...even Vicar was stumped on one!

From Vicar Shepard...

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

This newsletter is the first in a series looking in depth at the elements of the Divine Service.

We begin by examining the first part of the Divine Service: Confession and Absolution.

Historically speaking, Confession and Absolution was considered a prerequisite to the Service of the Sacrament and so for much of church history it was held either the day before, in the form of Private Confession, or in the weeks leading up, the pastor would visit his parishioners for Confession and Absolution in their homes. As the time went on, the Papists began adding things to Confession, what they called satisfaction. However, during the Protestant Revolution, Luther stripped Private Confession of the Works Righteousness that the Papists had turned it into and encouraged its use as an exceptional tool of pastoral care. Then, again, Individual Confession and Absolution began to devolve in the 17th century because of the influencing forces of rationalism and the pietist movement. Corporate Confession and Absolution as we have it today did not come into style until the 19th century with the American Lutherans.

Today, many outside the Lutheran Church take much offense to the pastor forgiving everyone's sins. Why is he allowed to do this? The answer is simple; Jesus commanded it! In John 20 we see Jesus giving his disciples (the one's he trained to carry on his ministry) the Holy Spirit and the authority to forgive sins. Here Jesus gives them the keys to bind or loose sins. This is why the office of the pastor is also called the office of the keys. Because of this, we as Lutherans "believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of the sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us himself" (Luther's Small Catechism). When pastor says "I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the word" and "in the stead and by the command of Christ," the forgiveness that he pronounces is not his own, but rather Christ's.

Grace and peace to you all,

Vicar Shepard

Community News

The "Say Their Name" grief support group will start a new session of six to seven weeks of meetings starting Thursday, September 21st. Everyone experiences grief in their lifetime whether it be a parent, spouse, child, good friend, or even a beloved pet. "Say Their Name" is led by lay people. They are not therapists, but people who have experienced grief and survived it. This group is faith based (all religions) but everyone is welcome. It is free, and it is confidential. If you are interested, have questions, or know of someone who would benefit from this group, please contact St. Patrick's Catholic Church Office at 641-456-4857, Maggie at 641-425-1046 or Fran at 515-290-5147.

**Farmers, may the Lord keep you safe
and bless this harvest season!**

Color me...

