

The Sheaves Of Wheatland

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**Deadline for the July
newsletter is
June 24!**



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

June 19, 2022

In 1966, Lyndon Johnson issued a proclamation designating the third Sunday in June to honor fathers. Finally, in 1972, President Richard Nixon signed a law declaring that Father's Day be celebrated annually on the third Sunday in June. It has been an official, permanent national holiday ever since.



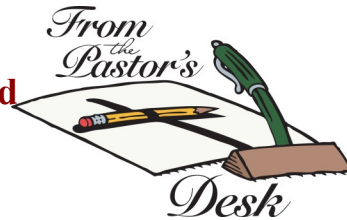
WHEATLAND DIRECTORY UPDATE

I am currently working on the last phase of an update to the Wheatland Directory. Gathering data, confirming information, and editing the database have created real challenges, and I am still trying to tie up loose ends. Sometimes I feel like I'm trying to herd cats! Your patience is appreciated—I hope to have the project completed by the end of next month.



Pastor Chuck will be on vacation from May 28-June 4. For pastoral care during that period, contact **Pastor David Derrick** (Pastor at St Philip) (540) 309-1563 or **Deacon Phyllis Cox** (540) 457-4553

The Lutheran Movement – Conversations with God



Scripture Reading – Matthew 6:5-15 (NRSV)

5 ‘And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 6But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

7 ‘When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. 8Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

9 ‘Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

10 Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13 And do not bring us to the time of trial,
but rescue us from the evil one.

14For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; 15but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Life of Faith

The following excerpts from “Luther’s Small Catechism.” This translation is featured in the ELW. The full Small Catechism can be found in the back of that hymnal.

“The First Petition

Our Father in heaven.

What does this mean?

With these words God wants to attract us, so that we come to believe he is truly our Father and we are truly his children, in order that we may ask him boldly and with complete confidence, just as loving children ask their loving father.

The Third Petition

Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

What does this mean?

In fact, God’s good and gracious will comes about without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may also come about in and among us.

How does this come about?

Whenever God breaks and hinders every evil scheme and will—as are present in the will of the devil, the world, and our flesh that would not allow us to hallow God’s name and would prevent the coming of his kingdom, and instead whenever God strengthens us and keeps us steadfast in his word and in faith until the end

of our lives. This is God's gracious and good will.

The Fourth Petition

Give us today our daily bread.

What does this mean?

In fact, God gives daily bread without our prayer, even to all evil people, but we ask in this prayer that God cause us to recognize what our daily bread is and to receive it with thanksgiving.

What then does "daily bread" mean?

Everything included in the necessities and nourishment for our bodies, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, farm, fields, livestock, money, property, an upright spouse, upright children, upright members of the household, upright and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, decency, honor, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

The Fifth Petition

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

What does this mean?

We ask in this prayer that our heavenly Father would not regard our sins nor deny these petitions on their account, for we are worthy of nothing for which we ask, nor have we earned it. Instead we ask that God would give us all things by grace, for we daily sin much and indeed deserve only punishment. So, on the other hand, we, too, truly want to forgive heartily and to do good gladly to those who sin against us.

Questions for Reflection

Share the story of when you first learned or remember hearing the Lord's Prayer.

How does prayer impact your life?

How might prayer impact the congregation?

Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Garden News!!

Well, the Garden of grace is well underway!! We met with groups from St. Philip Lutheran Church, St Marks Lutheran Church, Member One Federal Credit Union, and Wheatland Volunteers on 5/15/2022 for an afternoon of planting. The gathering of all the people was such a success we did in 1.5 hours what would normally take us 5 hours, and enjoyed building community while doing it. We have 90% of our crops planted! We have Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Yellow Squash, Zucchini, Watermelon, Broccoli, and Peppers. We will plant some fall Squash, and Sweet Potatoes will be planted in June. Virginia Tech is meeting at the garden the morning of 5/25/22 to talk about raising another pumpkin patch and Poblano Peppers. I am attaching some recent pictures for you to see how wonderful this is going.



Update 5/26/22: Met with Virginia Tech Agriculture Department Horticulturist on Wednesday May 25, 2022. They are joining us again this year to grow pumpkins for Tractor treat; they will grow several varieties that we can then have to hand out for Jack-O-Lanterns. In addition to that, they are planting a couple varieties that will grow to Epic Size!! For Fun. Another study they will be performing is the study of growing Poblano Peppers (4 different kinds). The team from VT along with Kate Lawrence (VA extension agent) will help make sure our plants keep healthy and Happy. It is so wonderful to be doing this project for Community with the Community.

Thank You JRHS Girls Softball Team!

On Saturday May 21, Coach Steve Austin and his team came to the church to wash cars for the community. This was a Free Carwash (donations) any proceeds would go to the Community Care Ministry here at Wheatland. They did an awesome job and raised \$565.00 to be placed in this account. THANK YOU ALL!!! We are so thankful for your help-to-help others, GO JRHS Girls Softball Team!!!



An Invitation from Pam Stump and family

Hi, everyone! On Saturday, June 18th, we are having a celebration of life for Gregg at our place on the James in Eagle Rock (640 Salt Petre Cave Road) all day. There will be food and swimming and kayaking and everyone is invited. Bring a chair in case we don't have enough. In case of rain, it will be held at the Kazim Shrine in Roanoke. The James was Gregg's favorite place on earth, and he would love for all of us to enjoy it and remember him that day.

Much love,
Pam



A message from Dwight Ayers

A list of tellers for July through December 2022:

July- Lyndan and Dameon

Aug- Ron and Kevin

Sept-Dwight and Misty

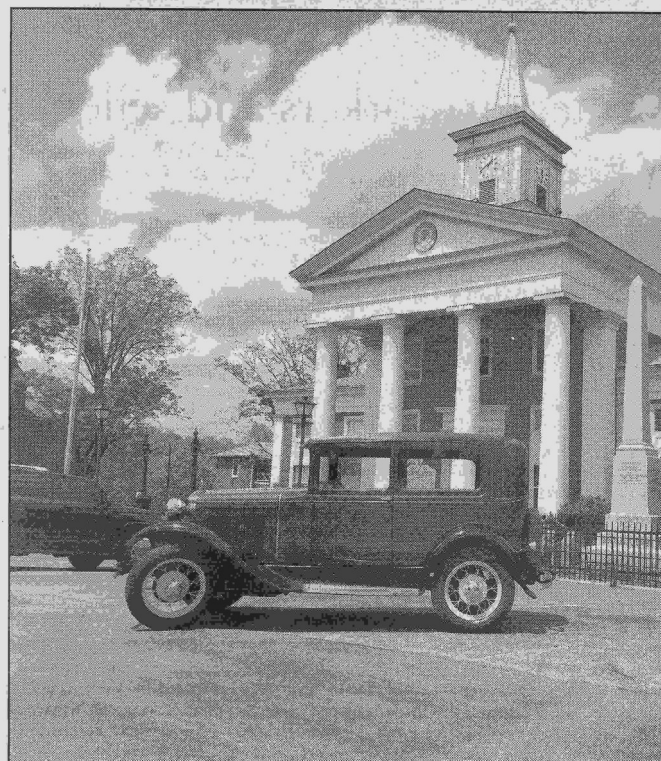
Oct- Otto and Jenna

Nov- Lyndan and Dameon

Dec - Ron and Kevin

- The church will be getting a new P.O. Box in Daleville.
- Don't forget to fill out your commitment form and return it to the church.

Model A Ford spotted in Fincastle



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Granville Grant of Troutville was tooling around Fincastle last Thursday in his grandfather's 1930 Model A Ford. While in town, he picked up pies from The Pie Shoppe for the Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Committee Luncheon at Stoney Brook Winery. The vintage vehicle is pictured in front of the Botetourt County Courthouse.

MEMBER CONTRIBUTION PAGE

(You are encouraged to share your favorite musing.)

Edited from an article in The Roanoke Times:

Who said you can't go home again? It certainly does not apply to **Jake Phillips**, a former prep superstar at Bath County High School who was hired May 3rd as the Chargers' new head football coach and athletic director. Jake is the son-in-law of Wheatland members Pam and Steve Austin; he is married to their daughter Kasey.

"Bath County gave me so much growing up," Jake said. "I absolutely loved growing up that way. I'm really excited for a chance to give back. It's exciting to be close to family. It's exciting to be home."

Jake was a three-sport star at Bath County, leading the football team to a 49-5 overall record, a VHSL Group A Division championship in 2001 and state runner-up finishes in 2000 and 2003.

Jake has been the head coach at Staunton High — formerly called Robert E. Lee — for the past three seasons. Prior to coaching, the former William and Mary quarterback played professionally for the Green Bay Blizzard of the Indoor Football League.

Bath County has a projected enrollment of 148 in 2022-23, the smallest school in the VHSL that plays varsity football and the third smallest high school in the state.

Jake plans to move his family from Waynesboro, and said he will have classroom responsibilities during half of the school day at Bath. We welcome Jake, Kasey, and their children back to beautiful Bath County.

The World Around You

*A starry night gaze into the Milky Way
Or into the setting sun when day is done
This is a beautiful world*

*A bird's eye view into a sky so blue
Or into an ocean scene that is so serene
God's creation is amazing*

*A mountain scan onto a colorful land
Or onto an eagle's glide and majestic ride
An unforgettable sight*

*A heartfelt look into a babbling brook
Or into a pool that is deep and cool
The fish are invisible*

*A listening ear into a night so clear
Or into a rainy day as light slips away
The sounds are a treasure*

*A memory stored of everyday and more
Or a picture in mind as days unwind
Reflections of your life*

Steve Austin



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AT WHEATLAND IN JUNE:

Sunday, June 5
Day of Pentecost
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 In-person and Parking Lot

Wednesday, June 8
 6:30 p.m., Men's Study Group
 In Person or Zoom if needed

Sunday, June 12
First Sunday after Pentecost
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 In-person and Parking Lot
 Council meeting following service

Sunday, June 19
Second Sunday after Pentecost
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 In-person and Parking Lot

Wednesday, June 22
 6:30 p.m., Men's Study Group
 In person or Zoom if needed

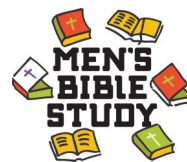
Sunday, June 26
Third Sunday after Pentecost
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 In-person and Parking Lot



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AT WHEATLAND IN JULY:

Sunday, July 3
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 In-person and Parking Lot



Men's Bible Study



Please come join us for a couple hours of study, conversation and yes, Food! We invite anyone who would like to join us for the following dates:

June 8 @ 6:30 p.m. and June 22 @ 6:30 p.m.

Botetourt Food Pantry Saturday, June 11

We need your help volunteering at the Botetourt County Food Bank located at St. Mark's in Fincastle! Our scheduled time to help out is Saturday, June 11 from 9:30am until 12:00. Please come out for this worthwhile project! Contact Chuck to volunteer.



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