



8<sup>th</sup>: Ken Frank  
 Paige Frank  
 Emma Heim  
 Garrett Kukuk  
 9<sup>th</sup>: Robbie Kukuk  
 Phillip Cowley  
 12<sup>th</sup>: Emory Cowley

16<sup>th</sup>: Zack Rupp  
 Byrum Strader  
 Wyatt Weinkauf  
 19<sup>th</sup>: Ashley Olson  
 21<sup>st</sup>: Lisa Frank  
 23<sup>rd</sup>: Alex Andrews  
 Callie Curtis  
 27<sup>th</sup>: Bonnie Webb  
 30<sup>th</sup>: Dee Thimell



3<sup>rd</sup>: Ken & Verna Frank  
 8<sup>th</sup>: Robbie & Dava Kukuk  
 11<sup>th</sup>: Brant & Amy Kukuk  
 12<sup>th</sup>: Steve & Kaylea Heim  
 16<sup>th</sup>: Scott & Brittany McKinley  
 25<sup>th</sup>: Arlan & Mary Jo Houghton  
 John & Donna Rieman

## ACOLYTES

3<sup>rd</sup>: Ava Heim  
 10<sup>th</sup>: Whelan Carson  
 17<sup>th</sup>: Katie Heim  
 24<sup>th</sup>: Carson Avery



## Readers/Ushers

3<sup>rd</sup>: The Heim Family  
 10<sup>th</sup>: Teresa Snyder & Friends  
 17<sup>th</sup>: The Wade Voise Family  
 24<sup>th</sup>: The Avery Family

If you would like to read and usher on Sunday morning, please let Mary Jo know @ [mojo8892@hotmail.com](mailto:mojo8892@hotmail.com)

Thank you to everyone who has read scripture & ushered!



*JUNE 17TH*

# June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	No Communion on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Pastor Olson Vacation.	Communion will be on the 10 <sup>th</sup> .			1	2
3 Church Council @ 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m Service	4	5	6 6:30 p.m. New Church Service  No WELCA	7	8	9 7:30 a.m Mens Breakfast
10 11:00 a.m Service Communion	11	12 8:00 a.m. WELCA Making noodles	13 6:30 p.m. Church Service	14 Flag Day	15	16
17 11:00 a.m Service <u>Father's Day</u>	18	19	20 6:30 p.m. Church Service	21 Summer Begins	22	23
24 11:00 a.m Service	25 7:00 p.m. Bible Study	26	27 6:30 p.m. Church Service	28	29	30



# Report: Category Summary by Month

1/1/2018 - 4/30/2018

6 Accounts, 225 Categories

Category	1/1/18 - 1/31/18	2/1/18 - 2/28/18	3/1/18 - 3/31/18	4/1/18 - 4/30/18	Total
<b>INCOME</b>	\$17,779.52	\$5,683.12	\$4,946.03	\$7,640.84	\$36,049.51
Benevolence	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Building Fund	\$140.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$320.00	\$580.00
Current Expense	\$16,267.00	\$5,560.00	\$4,885.00	\$6,720.00	\$33,432.00
Cash	\$342.00	\$300.00	\$161.00	\$360.00	\$1,163.00
Current Expense (Other)	\$15,925.00	\$5,260.00	\$4,724.00	\$6,360.00	\$32,269.00
Interest	\$1.56	\$1.12	\$1.03	\$0.84	\$4.55
Memorial	\$1,370.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,370.96
Special Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Thrivent	\$0.00	\$62.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$62.00
<b>EXPENSE</b>	-\$14,099.44	-\$9,612.21	-\$7,806.99	-\$7,882.58	-\$39,401.22
Administration	-\$1,123.23	-\$494.42	-\$839.96	-\$520.07	-\$2,977.68
Administration	-\$748.23	-\$119.42	-\$464.96	-\$145.07	-\$1,477.68
Administrative Pay	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$1,500.00
Ark - Ok Synod	-\$175.00	-\$175.00	-\$175.00	-\$175.00	-\$700.00
Benevolence	-\$157.00	-\$157.00	-\$157.00	-\$157.00	-\$628.00
World Hunger	-\$18.00	-\$18.00	-\$18.00	-\$18.00	-\$72.00
Maintenance	-\$1,055.45	-\$3,013.93	-\$958.21	-\$828.39	-\$5,855.98
Insurance	\$0.00	-\$1,742.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$1,742.00
Janitor	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$375.00	-\$1,500.00
Kitchen & Custodial Supplies	\$0.00	-\$110.72	\$0.00	-\$105.18	-\$215.90
Utilities	-\$680.45	-\$786.21	-\$583.21	-\$348.21	-\$2,398.08
Misc (Non Budget)	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$566.33	-\$260.96	-\$827.29
Pastor	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$20,765.16
Shared Ministry	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$5,191.29	-\$20,765.16
Remodel Projects (Non Budget)	-\$6,354.47	-\$400.00	\$0.00	-\$606.87	-\$7,361.34
Worship	-\$200.00	-\$337.57	-\$76.20	-\$300.00	-\$913.77
Organist	-\$200.00	-\$250.00	\$0.00	-\$300.00	-\$750.00
Worship Supplies	\$0.00	-\$87.57	-\$76.20	\$0.00	-\$163.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$3,680.08	-\$3,929.09	-\$2,860.96	-\$241.74	-\$3,351.71

CHURCH COUUNCIL,  
SUNDAY, JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>,  
@ 9:00 A.M.

## WELCA NEWS

WELCA will meet Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. at the church to make noodles . There will be coffee, juice and donuts in the morning. They will make noodles in the morning, break for lunch and go someplace fun to eat, then return to the church to bag the noodles. Any of the ladies of our church are welcome to come and help. It's always fun!



Keep saving your  
"Best Choice" Labels!



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Sunday school will take a summer break and start up again in the fall. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for information as time gets closer for Rally Day!

Adult Sunday school will continue to meet in the adult classroom.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study meets Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 a.m.!

Monday evening Bible study will not meet June 4, 11, & 18<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more details.

NEW! WEDNESAY EVENING SERVICE

BEGINNING JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>

AT 6:30 P.M.

WE WILL BEGIN A NEW  
SERMON SERIES:

"LIVING IN SIN AND  
SAINTHOOD".

## Ponderings from Pastor Peter

This last month we did something that we have been hoping to do for years, we planted a garden. It's not a very large garden by any means, it only took an afternoon of work to put things together and get things started, and we're hoping that next year we can do quite a bit more. But it's a garden, none the less... and for us that is a big thing.



You see, in the last 11 years of our marriage we have moved 12 times. Between college and seminary, we have found ourselves moving this way and that—always bouncing between new locations new experiences, new places and new possibilities. But nearly every spring we have been working on packing boxes for one reason or another... until now. And this spring, we planted a garden.

This new event in our life got me thinking about what it actually means to plant a garden or a tree or even a shrubbery. As one plants a garden, one looks to the future. There is a sense of hope that one day there will be a harvest of delicious fruit and veggies from those little sprouts. There is also a commitment made to those plants—that one will watch over them and guide their growth; weeds will be pulled, roots will be watered, perhaps even fertilizer will be used... continual care must be given to help a create a strong, healthy plant—a plant that will one day hopefully bear good fruit. A garden can be quite the commitment—especially if you want to help it flourish.

I think of our forefathers and foremothers who planted this garden of a congregation. They had come here to settle the land... to put roots down and to look to a brighter future together in this place than where they had come from. And the folks that came here all those years ago saw the importance of church in their lives and the lives of their children. I don't know that they ever imagined that the church that they planted back then would still be here today. And yet, here we are. And we have been handed down the commitment of old to continue to nurture and care for the plants of this garden. We're called to share the baptismal waters of life with one another through words and deeds of love. Sometimes we are even called to deal with a little manure which, while not fun at the time, can mean new life in wondrous ways down the road.

I hope you feel as blessed as I do to be a part of this garden congregation. We are each of us uniquely gifted to be both plants and gardeners here all at once. While some of us may be fruitier than others (no names please!), do not underestimate your importance within the garden. While financial gifts are always good, your gift of presence and care within the garden are just as important if not more so. The garden takes work—but the rewards are delicious for all. Blessings to you this summer in all that you do as a gardener and a plant (pick your favorite) in our garden congregation.

Isaiah 51:3, Pastor Peter Olson



## From Pastor Peter: Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod 31st Annual Synod Assembly REPORT

This year's theme was Building Bridges: Race, Diversity and Justice. The Assembly started Friday, May 4 and ended Sunday, May 6.

We had two keynote speakers. One was Ms. Judith Roberts (ELCA Program Director for Racial Justice), and the other was Dr. Cynthia Nance (Dean Emeritus University of Arkansas). Some takeaways from these talks included a "fish bowl" activity, information on implicit bias (for an assessment visit [www.projectimplicit.net](http://www.projectimplicit.net)), a roadmap to the different types of racism, and the review of the ELCA social statement Freed in Christ: Race, Ethnicity, and Culture.

We had three different "Grace Note" talks that expanded on our theme during the assembly. Speakers included Heather Pratt, Ava Fisher and Hannah DiPasquale. By the way Hannah is from Salem and Cluster 4...woo hoo.

We heard many reports and voted on a few resolutions. Just a few of the reports included Living God's Abundance, Partners in Mission, Oaks Indian Mission, Lutheran Planned Giving, Prison Ministry, ELCA, LYO, Kairos, Bethany Lutheran College and Global Missions (another Cluster 4 presenter, Cindy Pennie).

Bishop Mike gave his report and an overview of the Synod's Strategic Mission Plan, "Bolder Brighter Together!" Something that was said that really stuck with me was this statement, "If we focus on what we don't have, we only focus on what we can't do."

During Pastor Liz's Report, the Assembly got to experience using the Curiosity Cards like we used at our Cluster 4 Retreat in Ponca City last fall.

We had the election for Synod VP. Holly Lantagne won the election. Holly has served as our Synod's secretary for the past few years. Additionally, she is one of two of our Synod attorneys. She is an attorney by trade and lives in Norman. Holly is a member of University Lutheran Church.

Other positions that were elected included:

### Cluster Coordinators

- #1 - Pat Garling
- #5 - Lisa Milzarek
- #7 - Shari Marshall

### Ministry Team Leaders

- Discipleship - Rev. Lynne O'Shea
- Leadership - Shannon Johnson
- Youth/Young Adult - Jona Burnett

### Dean's Rep

- Pastor Peter Olson (from cluster 4, woohoo!)

### Women's Rep

- Penny Budzein

### Ecumenical Rep

- Rev. Joe Summerville

### Consultation Committee

- CW West
- Ernie Miller
- Rev. Jami Scott

### Endowment Fund Committee VACANT



• Cluster 4 Reps (L to R): Jerome and Linda Ewen (Immanuel), Hannah DiPasquale (Salem), Pastor Peter Olson (Zion & Faith), Molly Kyler (Prince of Peace), Scott Wolff, Pastor Sally Houck, and Judy Lewis (Salem).

We also voted on our Synod's 5 voting members to the 2019 Churchwide Assembly in Milwaukee. Pastor Peter Olson was also elected to represent our synod and congregations on the national level.

Two sets of workshops were held the afternoon on Saturday. One included a field trip to the John Hope Franklin Park and Reconciliation Center. There was also a session that viewed the movie Traces of the Trade along with a discussion. Other workshop topics included "Building Bridges" and "Unpacking the Knapsack". Cluster 4's own Pastor Sally Houck (from Stillwater) was one of the "Unpacking the Knapsack" facilitators.

A whole group debrief on all of the workshops was a helpful way to get a flavor of all the sessions even if you didn't get to attend them. That's how I discovered about the power of the John Hope Franklin Park and Reconciliation Center. This is now on my "Tulsa Sites to Visit" list.

A Resolution and Memorial to show support Arkansas Poor People's Campaign (APPC) was passed by the assembly. Additionally, a Memorial on the ELCA's 50th anniversary of the ordination of women was approved.

We had two worship services. Friday evening worship was led by Pastor Liz and Bishop preached. Sunday Eucharist was presided by Pastor Alvaro Nova Ochoa and special guest Judith Roberts preached. Special offerings at both services were for Blast Off for Books (LYO to take to Youth Gathering in Houston) and Into the Light (An organization to bring awareness and education to the issue of human sex trafficking). The services were beautiful.

If you have any questions about this report, please contact me at [kylernp@cablone.net](mailto:kylernp@cablone.net) . Peace, Love & Joy –*Molly Kyler*

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