

# WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

Growing together in grace and service

**SUNDAY July 25** 

## 9th SUNDAY after PENTECOST @ 10:15 am





Worship music will be led by Vicar Daniel on piano and Mallory Volkmann vocally.

Come enjoy duets, solos, and new liturgy pieces.



10:15 am Sundays Shiner Lutheran Facebook Page



Bring your loose change (and bills) for our monthly Noisy Offering. This month's offering goes to David & Alicia Brondos, the missionaries we help sponsor in Mexico City. David continues to teach seminarians throughout central America. More information on their ministry at: http://dbrondos.mx or https://94t.mx Donor site: https://www.elca.org/missionarysponsorship E-mail: david.brondos@elca.org



A special guest speaker, seminarian Frank Karoli, will visit us for worship on August 1. He came to Shiner and spoke to us the last Sunday before we closed for the pandemic. Frank is a native Tanzanian and is working to become a minister to continue spreading the Gospel in Tanzania.



Since its beginning in 2001, our Endowment Fund has been blessed with donations and growth due to bequests, donations, and investment earnings. Our Endowment Fund balance has reached \$400,000. While the principal must remain in place, some of the earnings from this fund may be spent on capital improvements, local benevolence such as scholarships, and other mission support. Our elected **Endowment Committee meets Sunday July 25 at 1:00 pm** to review the fund and make plans to disperse some of the earnings later this year as specified in the fund's guidelines.

### **UPDATES & INFORMATION**

- A small non-member **memorial service** will be held on Tuesday July 27 at 11 am.
- Finance Team meets Wednesday July 28 at 6:00 pm.
- Midweek Morning Bible Study resumes on Wednesday August 4 at 10:00 am.
- **Brief Communion** resumes weekly at 1:30 pm on Wednesdays beginning August 4th. Communion in Cars is discontinued, but Home Communion can be arranged by calling the office.
- Sunday August 15 we will have **Blessing of the Backpacks** during worship. School begins that week.
- An **Ice Cream Social** for our church meets Sunday August 15 in the afternoon.
- Choir and Hand Chimes practices will resume on Monday August 16.
- Mission Groups meet Sunday August 22 following worship.





One **flower arrangement** is donated by Vida Burnett in memory of the Rev. James P. Burnett's birthday; the second **flower arrangement** is donated by Karen Blohm remembering her father Emmett Blohm's death date of July 23, 1992.

Looking ahead, the upcoming dates that are still open for flower donations include August 15, 22 & 29. Check with the office to sign up. By ordering through the office, a special rate of \$30 per arrangement is available. Thank you to all who remember or honor loved ones with altar flowers.

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This week we celebrate and remember in prayer these **Baptismal Anniversaries:** 7/25 Arlen Boedeker, Darlene Fortune; 7/26 Justin Fortune, Emma Pohler; 7/28 Atlanta Moore, Mildred Rebecek; 7/31 Kale Curtis, Mary Ann Leck, Hal Reichardt

This week we wish **Birthday Blessings** to: 7/26 Bill Koenning; 7/28 Lynette Brunkenhoefer, Owen Machacek, Samantha Neal; 7/31 Matthew Sternadel

This week we celebrate these **Wedding Anniversaries**: 7/26 David & Allison Hewig; 7/28 Leroy & Erleen Boedeker; Alfred & Virgie Chumchal; 7/31 Butch & Sandy Machacek



<u>Prayers of concern</u> continue for those who are ill or recovering from surgery or injury including Morris Guettner, Erika Baker, David Jaks, Diane Schroeder, Bruce Vancura, and Laura Jackson. We also lift up prayers of thanksgiving for

the improving health of Pastor Lynnae Sorensen. Although she is still recovering from her treatment and is not yet able to return to work, at this point Pastor Lynnae has been found to be cancer free.



#### **GENERAL FUND for June 2021**

Beginning Balance: \$ 44,628.70 Receipts on Budget: \$ 10,947.44 Expenses on Budget: (\$ - 17,799.35 ) Balance as of June 30: \$ 37,776.79

#### **BUILDING FUND for June 2021**

Receipts for Bldg Fund: \$5150.77 Monthly Payment: (\$ -11,002.78)

**Building Balance for month: (**\$ -5,852.01) (Negative balances are paid from the Building Fund Money Mkt Acct. that now has \$ 10,374.34 left in it.

Like most summers, our weekly giving has declined during the past months. However, our operating expenses to maintain our facility and staff continue. We faithfully look for improved giving as we restart and reopen our ministries. Prayerfully, we try to give with the spirit of generosity rather than the fear of scarcity.



In person attendance on 7/11: 87 Online views for week: 250

Offering for week ending 7/11: General Fund: \$ 3,140.00 Building Fund: \$ 2,675.00

(The above amounts do not include electronic giving.)

Weekly budget needs: General Fund: \$4,262.31 Building Fund: \$2,539.10



**IN PERSON:** Bring to worship or drop off at church office.

BY MAIL: Send to the church at P.O.Box 26, Shiner.

**TEXT:** Text an amount to 1-844-697-3838 and use credit or debit card.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** Go to our website www.shinerlutheran.org and click on Connect/Give to get a direct link to our electronic giving platform.