



# ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

## AUGUST NEWSLETTER ■ 2021

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I can't believe it's August already. School is starting, and we will have our Back-to-School blessing for all students, teachers and other school workers on August 8. As we head into fall, I want to share some of the things that are coming up and things we are working on at All Saints right now.

### ■ Streaming Worship

Worship leaders and tech folks will be working with a consultant to prepare to stream our worship services over Zoom. When we have the equipment in place and training completed, we will move from the Zoom-only service to live-streaming our worship over Zoom. We are also learning techniques for doing excellent “hybrid church,” so that folks attending on Zoom are included and engaged in the worship service.

### ■ Connection Groups

Have you ever wished you could have a deeper connection with people at All Saints? Connection groups are groups of four people who gather monthly and participate in a structured conversation which allows each person to share and be listened to fully. Each month has a prompt for sharing stories, such as – What is your favorite place? On August 29 at 11:45 we will have a gathering to teach us how to do the groups and prepare us to start up groups in September. Mark your calendar and plan to come and find out more about this new opportunity.

### ■ Season of Prayer

In September we will begin a “Season of Prayer,” encouraging all of us to read a series of Bible readings and prayers that invite us into deeper discernment about God's presence in our lives and our congregation. Discernment is decision-making with God, and these prayers will help us listen to God together as we consider where God is calling All Saints in our ministry together. Readings and prayers will come in email three times each week. To sign up to receive these emails, please contact Laurene in the church office – [office@allsaintsabq.org](mailto:office@allsaintsabq.org). We will also have gatherings in person and on Zoom to pray together with each week's prompts. More information coming in September.

Many things have changed around us, and among us – but many things have remained the same. I am confident that God is moving in our community and guiding us in our ministry together.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Kristin

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# CONGREGATION COUNCIL UPDATES

## **To Mask or Not to Mask**

On July 1, in response to the lifting of restrictions in the state, the Council met and decided that we would adopt a mask-optional policy at All Saints for weekday gatherings and Sunday worship. We are still strongly encouraging mask use for anyone who is not vaccinated. And anyone is welcome to wear a mask at any time.

It is important to remember that, while our vaccination level in NM is good, there are still a significant number of people who are not vaccinated – and many who cannot be vaccinated, due to health status or age. We cannot assume that everyone present at a church event is vaccinated. We are all in different places regarding our health status and comfort level, and we want to create a place where people can be comfortable and feel welcome whether or not they choose to wear a mask.

The council has also passed a policy that any staff member who is not vaccinated will be required to wear a mask anytime other people are present. This is for the protection of the staff and all members and visitors to our church.

## **Building Use**

Our building, including our gorgeous new bathrooms and kitchen, is getting lots of use this summer. In July, we had a youth group from Colorado Springs staying here for a Service Learning Camp, while doing service projects around the city. Another group will be here in August from Nebraska. July 26 – 30, we had Vacation Bible School, with counselors from Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp staying at the church.

Weekly church use is also picking up. The Rio Acappella singing group is back on Thursday evenings, as well as the Rio Grande Symphonic Community Band on Tuesdays. It's great to have the church filling with people again!

## **FROM OUR TREASURER....**

For the Month of June we had a loss of \$3909.27 due to general giving of only \$17,575.94. The preschool had a gain of \$2377.43. Summer is always challenging at All Saints so anything you can do to assure that your donations arrive at the church is much appreciated. The costs continue, even in the summer.

Diana Lewis

# WORSHIP—AUGUST

## August 1

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 33:14-18; 31:31-34 | John 3:16-21

## August 8

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 46 | Romans 6 1-11

## August 15

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 84 | Acts 2:37-42

## August 22

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 32 | Mark 14:12-25

## August 29

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalms 65 | 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

## September 5

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Psalms 8 | 1 Corinthians 3:1-15



## BIBLE STUDY

Worship Focus in August is on the Sacraments

**August 8** – God’s Promises in Baptism AND Back-to-school Sunday

**August 15** – Our Promises in Baptism

**August 22** – The Gift of Holy Communion

**August 29** – Holy Communion: The Welcome Table

On September 5, worship will focus on work and vocation in honor of Labor Day.

## ASSISTING MINISTERS—AUGUST

	Zoom	Sanctuary
<b>August 1</b>	Lee Liming	Eric Ferdig Priscilla Brower
<b>August 8</b>	Marlee Barnes	Brian & Randine Hughes
<b>August 15</b>	Megan Barnes	Nicole Arguello Kris Ericson
<b>August 22</b>	Lee Liming	Priscilla Brower Erin Reil
<b>August 29</b>	Jeff Yingling	Kris Ericson Kurt Rager

✠ Kris Ericson & Vicki Eason will do Altar Care for the month of August.

# ADVOCACY MINISTRY UPDATES

## HELP ALL SAINTS THANK OUR STATE LEGISLATORS FOR THEIR PUBLIC SERVICE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

You are invited to a gathering on Sunday, September 26, to thank our New Mexico state senators and representatives for their work on our behalf. We especially want to express our gratitude for all they have done during the past year and a half when so much about public life changed. Ours are the only legislators in the country who do not receive a base salary. Their public service is done above and beyond their regular jobs.

In addition to legislators in the west Albuquerque and Rio Rancho districts, we are inviting nearby Lutheran and other congregations who advocate with us. We all have in common the desire to address hunger and poverty in New Mexico in creative and effective ways.

This is a time to say thanks and build relationships rather than a time to discuss specific policy. The event is nonpartisan, and interested youth are most welcome to attend.

**Date and Time:** Sunday, September 26, 2021, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**Place:** 905 Copperhead Court, NE, Albuquerque, the home of **Andy & Diana Lewis**.

**Purpose:** To thank state legislators in our area for their public service.

**Participants:** Legislators, clergy and members of All Saints and nearby congregations, and **Kurt Rager**, Director of Lutheran Advocacy Ministry-New Mexico.

**Program:** Introductions by Kurt Rager; brief comments from legislators, and time for informal conversation. Light refreshments will be served. The reception will be outdoors, and dress is casual.

**RSVP:** If you plan to attend, please email Diana Lewis at [dlewis4117@msn.com](mailto:dlewis4117@msn.com)

**Questions?** Please call Diana Lewis (505) 264-2291 or Judy Messal (575) 496-4754



# DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATES

Jim Kruger: Committee Lead ■ jkruger01@comcast.net

The following information is provided to help keep everyone updated on fiscal matters at All Saints. The chart compares Jan–June income in 2020 & 2021, and indicates that expenses were \$1,518 more than income for that time period in 2021.

	YTD June '21	YTD June '20
General Giving	\$117,541	\$138,082
Other revenue	\$32,136	\$43,423
Expenses	\$151,195	\$165,196
NET (Operating)	(\$1,518)	\$16,309

On a year-to-date basis, expenses are down 8.96% and General Giving is down 14.88%. When we factor in the forgiveness of the “Cares” loan, the Church shows a gain for the year of \$23,072. The Pre-school shows a gain of \$16,263 on a year-to-date basis, as of the end of June.

The Development Committee and the Congregational Council acknowledge and commend everyone for your continued support of the ministries of ASLC, not only financially, but in the implementation of the ministries as well. The above table shows that the Church “operated” on a nearly breakeven basis, which is reflected by the NET Operating loss of \$1,518, for the first six months of the year.

As the Development Committee begins its preparation for this year’s Stewardship Campaign, the Committee and the Congregational Council are reviewing and considering the information received from the congregation thru the “Church Becoming” process (including the establishment of “Connection Groups”), and utilizing the book *Sailboat Church*, by Joan S. Gray, as a resource for the Committee’s program this Fall. One of the driving factors in utilizing the previously referenced information is to have a process that develops ministries and programs from a “generosity” point of view rather than a “scarcity” point of view.

Forgiveness of the first PPP loan (\$59,088) has been approved by our bank and the SBA.

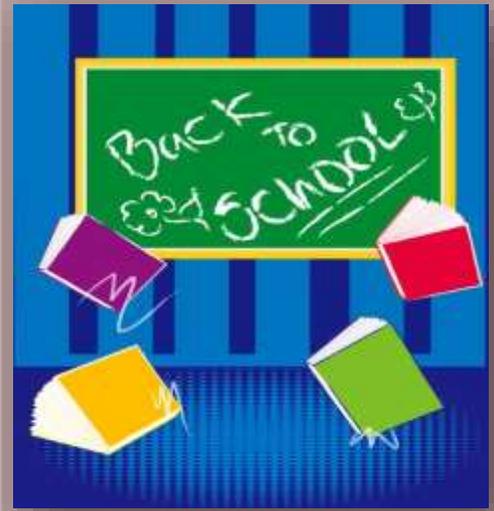
If you have an interest in being a resource for the Development Committee by serving on the Committee, please let me (Jim Kruger) or Pastor know. Your help and participation would be much appreciated.

May God Bless each of you!

# YOUTH FAITH FORMATION–AUGUST

Director of Faith Formation: Martha Montañó ■ (505) 898-3932 or [faithformation@allsaintsabq.org](mailto:faithformation@allsaintsabq.org)

**Back to School Sunday will be August 8 at the 10:45 Service. All Students, Teachers, and anyone returning to school is welcome to receive a blessings and reminder of God’s constant presence.**



## ALL AGES YOUTH BREAKFAST

Sunday, August 1 @ 9a.m.

Due to limited parking, we'll meet at Martha's house and walk over to the Bike-in Coffee at Old Town Farm.

RSVP by July 30

**Fall Planning Meeting for youth, children & parent Kick off**

Sunday, August 15  
After the 10:45 am service.



Join Martha for some food, games and discussion about what you'd like 2021-2022 to look like.

All youth and families are invited.

Please mark your calendar.

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## Thank you !!! Our kids ❤️ RTALC

Some of the best moments of the summer happen here. Besides rafting, ropes course, games, crafts, and hiking, the youth find God on the mountain. This year we talked about how to bring what we learned down the mountain and live it out in our daily lives.



6 youth and 1 adult went to  
Rainbow Trail Senior High Camp  
July 11 -17, 2021



2 children and 3 adults went to  
Rainbow Trail Junior Camp  
June 20-26, 2021



10 kids, 2 RTALC counselors & 7 volunteers held Rainbow Trail  
Day Camp (VBS) July 26-30, 2021

Two families attended Family Camp and Kris and Ruth Ericson were camp grandmas three different weeks. ALSC Loves Rainbow Trail!

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH—AUGUST

## 2021 Corrales Harvest Festival Participation

Hello friends,

In support of our outreach ministry, All Saints will be participating in the 2021 Corrales Harvest Festival. It will be held September 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>. The Evangelism Committee will provide more information the dates approach.



We will be looking for volunteers to help by tending our booth. Shifts will be scheduled each day. If you are unable to volunteer, we hope you will still stop-by and say “Hi.” To volunteer, please contact Pastor Kristin or me.

Peace, Jeff Yingling, Chair | Email: [jsyingling2@verizon.net](mailto:jsyingling2@verizon.net) | Mobile: 301-325-8263



## Roadrunner Food Bank

You are invited to join a group of All Saints folks volunteering at Roadrunner Food Bank on Tuesday, August 17, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. You need to sign up separately with Roadrunner at <https://www.rrfb.org/give/give-time/warehouse-volunteers/individuals/> (they no longer take group volunteer registrations).



## A FAMILY PROMISE THANK YOU...

Thank you to everyone who so generously provided time, money, supplies and meals for our recent FP hosting. This hosting was so different from what we have previously done in person at our church. Families are still being housed at the Church of the Good Shepherd so it took some planning and extended travel to provide for them. The Family Promise staff and families appreciated the hot meals delivered each evening. Our next hosting will be at the end of October and will probably be in the same format as the new facility may not be ready until the end of the year. The FP staff have worked diligently through these difficult pandemic times to continue to serve our homeless population. Keep Family Promise in your prayers for their continued success and for completion of their new facility. Blessings to all for your continued support of this important ministry.

*“And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” Hebrews 13:16*



# MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES

Erin Reil: Interim Coordinator of Music Ministries ■ ereil4@comcast.net



**“I’m not saying that I have this all together, that I have it made. But I am well on my way, reaching out for Christ, who has so wondrously reached out for me. Friends, don’t get me wrong: By no means do I count myself an expert in all of this, but I’ve got my eye on the goal, where God is beckoning us onward—to Jesus. I’m off and running, and I’m not turning back.”**

**~Philippians 3:13-14  
(The Message)**

Wow, what a crazy time we have endured during this pandemic! It has been a whirlwind of a learning adventure, to be sure. I never thought I would be so thankful and simultaneously loathing for technology! Through it all, however, we have been given the opportunity to stay connected which is a wonderful blessing.

I am eager for a return to “normalcy” and encouraged by the good news in which vaccinated people are allowed to gather unmasked. We are on the right track, my friends! Now, as we begin to “make a joyful noise” aloud and proud, it is more important than ever to observe the recommended precautions for singing in groups. Please remember that not all feel comfortable with the lifting of restrictions and as we are aware, there is no way to truly know what the future will bring. I will continue to monitor the guidance regarding singing and personally, will continue to wear a mask until our population is at least 75% vaccinated. If you would like more information on where to find this data, please don’t hesitate to contact me!

May blessings and smiles be yours,  
Erin - *Music Ministry Coordinator*

## **Rehearsal Information:** *(Contingent on the Pandemic)*

- **Adult Choir** - Wednesdays at 7:00 pm starting August 25th
- **Grace Notes** - Sundays at 3:00 pm, starting September 12th
- **Hallelujah Ringers** - Sundays at 1:00 pm, starting September 12th
- **Youth Choir** - Currently TBA. (Please notify me of any interest)



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Interested in joining one or more of our music ensembles? **Wonderful!** We are a friendly and supportive group, and we always love to have new people join us.

*Here are some FAQs that may be helpful:*

**What if I feel like I'm not good enough to sing in the choir or praise band?**

*If you can carry a tune, you're more than good enough!*

**Do I need to be able to read music?**

*It definitely helps if you can read music, but if not, there is plenty of support around to help you!*

**Do I need to audition?**

*Nope. Just come to rehearsal and see how you like us! Please let Erin know ahead of time, if possible so she can make sure to have music ready for you!*

**What kind of music do you sing?**

*A little bit of everything! Anthems, hymns, classical pieces, spirituals, gospel songs, music by local composers, rock, country, folk... etc.*

**What if I can't make it to rehearsal every single week?**

*As long as you can make most of the rehearsals and feel comfortable with the music, it's okay. Please let Erin know if you will not be there.*

**Are instrumentalists welcome?**

*Absolutely! If you are interested in sharing your gift during a service, please let Erin know!*

**What if I have never played bells before?**

*That is okay! You will be surrounded by friendly helpers and will become a pro in no time!*



# SPOTLIGHT ON OUR COUNCIL CONTINUED.....

As promised...  
here's  
Lucy Archambault & Lyndi  
Perry 's fun facts!!!

## FUN FACTS

**Lyndi Perry  
is our Memorial  
Committee Liaison,**

here's her fun fact share: It seems my Saturdays have always been busy. As a hot air balloon pilot it was one of a few days a month we could try to fly locally or at rallies across the Southwest. We rescued our first Collie and I did Pet Therapy at the VA one Saturday a month. Eventually four grandchildren came along and I have been attending activities - soccer, basketball, volleyball, baseball, dance or marching bands events, generally all on Saturdays. As a former athlete I love to watch all sports - particularly Iowa State, UNM, and the Olympics. Who knows what will appear in my Saturday schedule in the future.

**Lucy Archambault is our Worship  
Committee Liaison,** here's what Lucy has shared: I love fishing, gardening, hiking, and reading and manage to squeeze in Pilates and yoga. I have weekly self-defense classes –not your typical martial arts, but down and dirty street fighting that is a combo of boxing, martial arts, elbows, knees, feet, and fists. I try to avoid head butts. Am pretty handy with a stick (translates to old lady with a cane). My 6-foot plus son says he feels a lot safer when I'm around and he's no slouch.

**Our upcoming "Spotlight"  
will be our Music Ministry!**

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Member	Birth Date	Member	Birth Date
Mary Boldine	08/03	Bryce Larson	08/15
Brenda Culbertson	08/04	Nancy Tillen	08/15
Betsy Mahoney	08/07	Henry Hautz	08/17
Robert Welch	08/07	Arlene Harris	08/15
Bill Anderson	08/08	Kurt Rager	08/22
Kim Covill Leszinske	08/08	Nara Thacher	08/22
Sharon Olson	08/11	Karol Werner	08/23
Denise Winn	08/11	Rhonda Bentz	08/25
Kristina Bailey	08/14	Karen Birner	08/25
Tiffani Arguello	08/15	Bob Klenner	08/25
Seth Jastram	08/15	Rochelle Anderson	08/28

**Happy Birthday!**



# ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESCHOOL

Preschool Korner ~ August 2021



ALL SAINTS PRESCHOOL IN THE "NEWS" FLASH!!!!

WELCOME BACK AND HELLO TO NEW FRIENDS

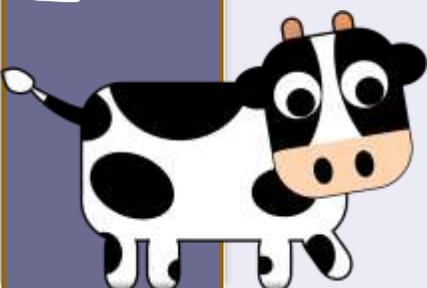
Another exciting year will be starting at the Preschool. The theme for the school year is "Stars Over America" with classes following new themes every other month. August and September's theme is "Farms in America!"

NEWS FLASH! This year our teachers are Ms. Priscilla the Infant/Toddler teacher, Ms. Bessie Sue the 2/3's teacher and Ms. Kameran and Ms. Marleta will be with the 4/5's. Ms. Marleta starts her 20<sup>th</sup> year as Director of All Saints Preschool.

## AUGUST/ SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- August 9 First Day - School for 21/22 year
- August 25 Chapel starts
- August 26 Birthday Celebrations
- September 6 NO school - Labor Day
- September 16 Trike-a-thon/Hot Dog Day
- September 30 Birthday Celebrations

We're off to a great start with more kids and babies. Visit the preschool to see all the fun we are having. Questions call 897-2144.



PRESCHOOL KORNER UPDATE

A Ministry of All Saints Lutheran Church  
Preschool Director: Marleta Anderson ■ (505) 897-2144



# PRAYER REQUESTS - ALL SAINTS FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

*For requests, updates, changes please contact the office at (505) 898-3932 or office@allsaintsabq.org*

**Virginia Antonetty:** Taliana Vargas, Jazmine, Zamirah, Yvellisse Caunedo, Christian, Betty Adams, Nevachi, Zeke, Mista

**Lucy Archambault:** Tom Anderson, Apodaca Family, Gina Tena & Family, Lynn, Jeannie & their families, Sam Moore & Family, Nina Trogdon, Dora Jacobs, Peggy, Kathy Harris

**Karen Cellan:** Joe & Andrew Quezada, Gene, Maria & Kalee, Kevin & Rhonda

**Culbertsons:** Will Armistad, Kaydee Culbertson, Harold Culbertson

**Lillian Edwards:** Gretchen Edwards, Sandie Chapin, Frank Gonzales, Lisa Foster & Lance Gordo

**Ferdigs:** Aaron Ferdig

**Denise Winn & Kathy Ferdig:** Carol Torrez

**Kathy Ferdig:** Barbara McLain & Janet Franklin

**Tim Hanson:** Stephanie Hanson & Roxanne

**Karen Hyde:** Brian, Nora, & Jeff Bardo

**Joy Ibsen:** Dan

**Karol Lavallo:** Bill Warriner

**Jon & Jan Jastram:** Phyllis Jastram, Buzz, Daniel & David, Patty

**Krugers:** Randall & Lisa, Jim & Joanne

**Janice Larson:** Ed Wynn, Linda Larson, Elijah Walker, Tommy Gensler

**Milks:** Steve Bowman, Raiff, Sherry Manning

**Al Miller:** Lorin

**Cynthia Piirto:** Mary & Doug Piirto, Bob & Ruth Taeger

**Reils:** Julie Wolfinger, Will Larson

**Saurs:** Michael

**Kristin Schultz:** Lynne Morrow, Becky

**Shelley Tackeuchi:** Tammy

**Nancy Tillen:** Arlene Harris & daughter Tracy & grandchildren Dakota & Scarlet, Maike Pulliam, Susan & Julia Tillen

**Rae Van der Motter:** Faye Lampela

**Bob & Lucy Welch:** Kim Welch

**Mark & Denise Winn:** Bill Winn, Irma Saldua-Reynolds, Ashton Raley, Family of Paula Tompkins, Family of Michelle Hougland

**PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING: ■ Jerry Ferdig is cancer free ■ Bob Klenner had successful back surgery.**

## PRAYER REQUESTS – ALL SAINTS CONGREGATION MEMBERS

Tom Argeullo

Jamie Hughes

Megan Reil

Jean Bernabo

Jon Jastram

Rich Mohr-Kelly

Karen Birner

Bob Klenner

Bill Rothlisberger

Harold Culbertson

Fern Knudsen

Ed Strebe

Lillian Edwards

Julie LaHam

Dave Thompson

Olga Fassler

Dawn Mace

Gloria Hrivnak

Al Miller



We pray for Gabi & Meghan Ailabouni who work in Global Missions in the Holy Land.

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Nathan Cleaveland	Organist	nathancleaveland@gmail.com
Marleta Anderson	Preschool Director	(505) 897-2144, (505) 280-1911 preschool_aslc@comcast.net

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Lucy Archambault, Jim Kruger, Martha Debelak, Lyndi Dittmer-Perry,  
Gloria Napper-Owen, Kurt Rager

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