ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL



MAY 2024

It's Sabbatical & Renewal Time!

The day is quickly approaching when Pastor Kristin will begin her sabbatical time. While she is away, and thanks to the Lilly Endowment Clergy Renewal program, several renewal activities have been developed for the congregation.

During her time away, Pastor Kristin will spend time traveling with her family in the United Kingdom, completing a mentorship in fused glass with a local artist, and engage in a silent retreat at Benet Hill Monastery in Colorado. We pray this time for her time is one of rest and fulfillment.

There are several opportunities planned for congregation renewal while Pastor Kristin is away and it is our hope that everyone will participate! The full calendar is below and prior to each activity, more detailed information will be available in the newsletter, but we want you to mark your calendar now so you don't miss out. Another article in this edition talks about June's planned activities.

- June 2 Worship with Entourage Jazz- Worship "officially" begins our sabbatical and renewal time as we send blessings with Pastor Kristin on her journey and welcome pastoral leadership during this time.
- June 14&15- Deacon Tammy Devine will lead a 1-1/2 day retreat "Living Our Baptismal Promise." The retreat is a spiritual journey where we rediscover our own strengths and values and how we use them to live our baptismal promise.
- June 16- Deacon Tammy Devine will lead an all congregation discussion following worship about the Congregation Autobiography where we have been and where we are going.
- July 13- The Rev. Dr. Mark Allan Powell will lead a workshop on "How Lutheran's Interpret the Bible." Other congregations will be invited, included those of differing denominations, to explore the ways Lutherans think about scripture and it's meaning for life today.
- July 14- The Rev Dr. Mark Alen Powell will preach at morning worship.
- September 1-Congregation glass art project following worship. Working with a local artist, the congregation will help create a large mosaic that represents the spirit of All Saints that when complete will be mounted on the building.
- September 8-Congregational Lunch -A catered lunch will be provided to enjoy fellowship time and the opportunity to hear from Pastor Kristin about her sabbatical and from lay leaders about the renewal activities of the congregation.
 - Mark your calendars now and look for more information inside this issue and those to come!

JUNE RENEWAL ACTIVITIES!

Living Our Baptismal Promise

Join us in June for a time to step away, to remember, to connect, and claim the promises made at our Baptism. In Baptism we were named, claimed, washed, gifted, and called to share God's love into the world. *What does this mean for daily life*?

Deacon Tammy Devine, our retreat facilitator, will walk with us to name and claim our gifts, remember the baptismal promises made, and invite us to share our next faithful step in living God's good news. We will reflect on our strengths and values, share devotional times, and enjoy the fellowship of meals together. A comfortable time with one another, you are invited to bring yoga mats and pillows if you prefer a spot other than a chair!

Tammy is passionate about walking with God's people. She is a strategic and systemic whole-person promoter of well-being through coaching, education, and inspiration. She works with individuals, small groups, and organizations who are seeking to live and lead a healthier life/culture. Walking together, Tammy invites listening – to oneself, one another, and God, with the purpose of greater health, healing, and ultimately to pass on our faith.

When: Friday, June 14 4 p.m. -7 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Where: All Saints Lutheran Fellowship Hall
Why: Celebrate and Claim our Baptismal Identify
How: A Congregational Opportunity supported by Lilly Sabbatical
Who: All Are Welcome

RSVP to Krysta in the office by phone (505-898-3932) or email (<u>office@allsaintsabq.org</u>) by June 1. Dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday are included. When you RSVP, please let Krysta know if you have any dietary needs.

Congregational Autobiography

On **June 16, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**, everyone is invited to gather after worship in the Fellowship Hall for a guided discussion with Deacon Tammy as we create a Congregation Autobiography. Together, in this our 60th year, this is a chance to explore where we began, where we have been, and where we are going. As we remember pivotal points in our time together as God's gathered children we have opportunity to remember, reflect, and look forward.



May 12th-Easter 7 Acts 1:1-14
Psalm 1
John 17:6-19
May 26th-Holy Trinity Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
John 3:1-17

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Assisting Minister	Lector	Zoom Usher	Audio	Video	
May 5th	Sue	Gloria	Marlee	Steve	Lee	
May 12th	Priscilla	Patty	Logan	Megan	Steve	
May 19th	Kris	Larry	Megan	Brian	Lee	
May 26th	Nicole	Karen C.	Meredyth	Steve	Marlee	
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Counter		This month we say goodbye to two beloved long-time				
May/June	members of All Saints, and we hold their families in our prayers.					
Karol	The Memorial Service for Robert Anderson will be Saturday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m.					
	The Memorial Service for Dave Thomspon will be Saturday, May 18 at 10:30 a.m.					

Offering of Letters

What a successful Offering of Letters! We had 65 letters written! They have all been mailed to Washington, D.C. I want to thank Katy Anderson for her inspiring talk and all the OAR members who brought refreshments, helped set up and clean up. Crish Tippit



GARDEN CLUB NEWS



The All Saints Lutheran Garden Club had their first meeting. The club plans on working to make the grounds surrounding All Saints more attractive. A cleanup day will be planned including the property committee. As soon as a date has been set, it will be advertised. All help is much appreciated. There

are several local gardens that the group would like to visit. They will be planning these visits soon. Anyone with any interest in gardening, from those with a great deal of experience to those with none, are invited to join. Contact either Diana Lewis or Martha Debelak for information about meeting times.

2024 Graduate Recognition

On June 19, Natalie Cellan, Aidan Hyde, Noah Liming and India Owens will receive quilts in honor of their high school graduation. We will include Rachel Winn in our prayers as she graduates from Texas Tech with a BFA in Dance and minor in Psychology.

We also celebrate with Rev. Dr. Kate Schlechter, our Visitation Pastor, on the completion of her doctorate this spring.

Do you have a family member graduating this spring? Send us their name and program and we'll include them in our prayers.



Buses of Asylum

Seekers will be

coming back in May!

If you are interested in helping please contact Rae VanDeMotter.





Community Connection

Upcoming UNM musical performancesinvolving our own Nathan Cleveland!

Organ Recital

Sunday, May 19th (Pentecost) at 3:00 p.m.

St. Marks's Episcopal Church-431 Richmond Place NE Albuquerqe NM 87106

Several organists (including Nathan) will play for 5-10 minutes as part of St. Mark's organ restoration project.



Grief Support

May 20th 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

A monthly gathering for folks who are grieving and would like to share prayers, stories and support for one another. Whatever your grief and wherever you are in the journey, you are invited to participate.





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Jonah Jastram	05/02
Larry Shy	05/03
Karen Hyde	05/04
Amy Enriquez	05/08
Priscilla Brower	05/09
Kimberly Gray	05/10
Lyndi Dittmer-Perry	05/12
Aidan Hyde	05/12
Kevin Hyde	05/13
John Warren	05/14
Patrick Van de Motter	05/18
Derek Gray	05/25
Alja Thacher	05/26
Rebecca Johnston	05/30
Nanette Morton	05/31







MAY BIRTHDAYS

Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp is looking for a camp nurse this summer. The nurse initially secured has fallen through. Ideally, they would like one nurse for the entire summer but if that is not possible the summer can be split in half or three-week chunks. If you know of a nurse transitioning or retired who would love to spend some time in the mountains serving the staff and campers please let Amy Eriquez know so she can get them in touch with Dave Jarvis. mr_mrs_enriquez@yahoo.com

The camp is also looking for a few more male counselors and a few camp hands (high school juniors or seniors).

Both senior high camps are close to full so if your youth are still wanting to enjoy camp this summer get those registrations in.



On Thursday, May 2 at 8:00 p.m. ET, the Interfaith Campaign for Food and Nutrition Security <u>invites you</u> to unite in spirit and action with members of the Jewish, Muslim, and Christian faiths, along with all other faith communities. During this National Day of Prayer, we will collectively commit to eradicating food and nutrition insecurity throughout the United States. Millions of families across the United States face the scourge of hunger and nutrition insecurity on a regular basis. This injustice drives families into a recurring state of hunger, poverty, and diet-related disease; and deprives future generations of their true potential.

The virtual event will feature religious leaders, anti-hunger activists, and public health advocates from around the country who will discuss these critical issues as we pray for an end to hunger and nutrition insecurity. Mobilizing communities of faith is critical to the success of these efforts.

https://bread-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wrj87X -7TReHDrjxBEDcmA#/registration





The group meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, 5:30 p.m., for fellowship and discussion.

ADVOCACY: GLOBAL REFUGE (formerly Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service) – Part 3 The Terms We Use: Asylum Seekers

Since ancient times, societies have honored the right of people to seek safety from persecution. In our age, the rights of refugees and asylum seekers rest on the post-World War II Universal Doctrine of Human Rights and the 1951 Convention and 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees.

Last month, we spoke of people who flee their homes to live in refugee camps in host countries. From there, they can apply to be resettled as refugees in a country of their choice. This month, we speak of **asylum seekers**. They, too, are fleeing dire situations, but they usually do not spend years in host countries—maybe because no refugee camps exist in their region. Instead, they flee directly to the country where they hope to resettle. Since their route is different, so is their arrival at their destination.

- **Arriving**: Once asylum seekers arrive in the country where they hope to start a new life, they can expect to be detained and vetted.
- **Being Vetted**: In the case of the U.S., asylum seekers who show credible or reasonable fear of harm in their home country and are of no threat may be released by ICE. Then, they are free to join their sponsoring family or friends in the U.S. Others may be detained longer.
- **Appearing in Court**: At their final destination in the U.S., asylum seekers plead their cases in immigration court. Courts are backlogged, with over 2 million cases pending as of October 2023.¹ In FY 2022, 36,615 people received asylum status.²

Working: In cases pending 150 or more days, asylum seekers may apply for permission to work.

Recently, many asylum seekers are arriving who have no sponsors. If permitted to proceed with their cases, they may wind up in cities not well-resourced to receive them. As we see in the news, municipal governments and community groups in many parts of the nation are helping unsponsored people through existing and makeshift shelters. Global Refuge is opening privately funded Welcome Centers for asylum seekers. One such center is Lutheran Family Services of the Rocky Mountains in Las Cruces.

Sponsored or not, asylum seekers don't get the robust, federally assisted services that refugees in official resettlement programs enjoy upon arrival (e.g., English lessons and short-term help with job searches and rent). Since asylum seekers' first U.S. experience is often near the border, our welcome makes a difference. Community organizations, such as Annunciation House in El Paso, Border Servant Corps in Las Cruces, Albuquerque Asylum Seeker Welcome Group, and Dignity Mission, step up. We help with temporary shelter, food, clothing, toiletries, and toys. To participate in this compassionate ministry, please contact a member of the OAR Committee, chaired by Rae VanDeMotter.

^{1, 2.} Sehar Jamal, "International Obligations of Asylum /countries to Protect Refugees," WG Law International Law and Policy Brief, the George Washington University Law School, April 29, 2022. Retrieved March 19, 2024.

Allow me to introduce myself....hi there! I'm Denise Winn, your newly elected President of the Church Council.

Many of you already know me, but for those who don't, I've been a member at All Saints since October of 1999 along with my husband, Mark & our two kiddos, Dylan & Rachel. I'm originally from Texas and moved to Albuquerque in 1986. I'm a graduate of Texas Tech University and an AVID Red Raider! (Yes, I do root for the Lobos & Aggies from time to time.)

Over the years I have served on the Church Council, Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday school teacher, Preschool Board member, Worship & Music Committee as well as various Nominating & Call Committees. On Sundays, you can usually find me in the choir loft or behind a mic with our praise band, Grace Notes and on Tuesdays I'm in the fellowship hall, making hats with the Mad Hatters or tying quilts with our quilting group. Yes, I'm super involved at All Saints!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those whose terms on Council have just ended. Kris Ericson & Jim Kruger have served our congregation so well! I hope to make them proud.

Thank you to the congregation for entrusting me with this leadership position. I ask you to please keep me in your prayers.



I'd also like to thank those who are currently serving on this year's Council: Lyndi Dittmer-Perry, Megan Barnes, Dan Mazan, Tom Becker, Anne Carpenter-Wilson, Fabian Enriquez, Kurt Rager, Meredyth Jones, Frank Orton and Pastor Kristin Schulz. We are quite a team!

I'm truly looking forward to the year ahead. Let's do this!!

As an FYI, you can find the minutes from our meetings, the church's financial overview and an intro for our upcoming Fall budget-to-date update on the church's website: allsaintsabq.org. and on the bulletin board by the church office.

DIGNITY MISSION FOOD EMERGENCY

- <u>Nestle NIDO Fortified Dry Milk</u>
- Baby Food Pouches
- Stage 2 Baby Food
- Baby and Toddler socks
- Baby Wipes
- Infant/Toddler/Girls underpants
- Infant/Toddler/Boys underpants
- Diapers size 2 thru 6

DIGNITY MISSION FOOD EMERGENCY

Dignity Mission delivers needed supplies to refugees and shelters on both sides of the border.

March/April/May Collection At All Saints

Bring donations to the church OR use the

Dignity Mission Wish List below:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ ls/3A8N584B37L61?ref =wl_share

SAVE THE DATE Sunday, June 23, 2024 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Fellowship Hall



Pastor Kate Schlecter "Full Moon Rising" A presentation about her doctoral thesis



WANTED PART TIME COOKS: Family Promise continues its program to house homeless families and assist getting them into housing. Due to a decrease in available volunteers throughout their participating churches, they are having a difficult time getting meal providers and the current small staff is having to take this on. The All Saints Men's Group has offered to deliver meals to the Family Promise site several times per month when needed. We

are looking for volunteers who would be willing to make a meal occasionally. The men's group would make arrangements for getting the meal from the volunteer cook, deliver it to the Montgomery Street house and join the families for dinner from 5 -7:00pm. This also gives the night FP staff member a break. At this point, depending on getting volunteers who would be willing to provide a meal, we are anticipating doing this 1-3 times a month. We would hope to schedule these meals ahead of time to be able to plan accordingly. **A sign-up sheet for those willing to help out with this will be in the narthex.** Please consider helping out and add your name to the sheet.

Enjoy a healthy and relaxing one hour soak at Jemez Hot Springs

When: Friday May 10th at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Where : Jemez Hot Springs-040 Abousleman Loop, Jemez Springs.

Cost: \$25 per person

What to bring : Water bottle, swim suit and towel.

Please do not apply sunscreen, oils or lotions before

soaking. Sunscreen on the face is fine. No pets allowed.

We will go to a local restaurant for lunch afterwards.

Questions? Talk to Jan Jastram or Martha Debelak.



A Thank you for the Gift of Music

This spring, I read an article in the Christian Century magazine by Peter Marty in praise of church musicians. He talks about the impact church musicians have had on his life, and he writes:

Excellent church musicians—whether they play piano, lean into an organ, lead a band, compose music, or direct a choir—are theologians in their own right. They're people convinced that the glory of God is central to honest worship and not just some Jesus-y feelings that can well up inside the bellies of hungry worshipers. They're busy fighting for the congregation to find its voice, yearning for each and every soul to discover that singing is sacred duty. Church musicians who have given the greatest shape to my life are those who appear to delight more in getting music into my soul than just out of theirs. Yes, the talent of their hands, feet, and vocal cords may be awesome, which is beautiful. But the way they deploy their abilities determines whether the rest of us feel bigger or smaller than when we arrived.

When I read his article, I was filled with gratitude for *our* church musicians - for our professional musicians, Erin Reil and Nathan Cleaveland, who lead and plan and support our congregational song – and for ALL the musicians who lead our worship in the All Saints choir, Hallelujah Ringers, Grace Notes, and those who make special offerings of vocal and instrumental solos. We are truly blessed with talented musicians who enable us all to engage more deeply in our worship together.

As our music ensembles prepare to take a much-deserved summer break, I'm writing this to say Thank You. Thank you for the joy and meaning you bring to our worship together in this place. We appreciate all of you.

~ Pastor Kristin

The Psalms — A Meditative Summer ZOOM Study

What: The Psalms are a window into the life of faith.

There are 150 Psalms. We will not study all of them! But, we will learn to faithfully approach and pray them.

When: The sessions begin via ZOOM on Tuesday, May 21st, at 1:30 and 7:30 pm, and continue weekly throughout the summer.

How: Your email is needed to send you study materials and the Zoom link.

Required:

- Your trusty Bible.
- A computer (smart phone, tablet, something you can use for Zoom).
- An internet connection.
- A quiet place where you can focus and participate in discussion.

FOR SIGN UP or MORE INFO:

EMAIL the following information to Pr Neal: <<sneal1968@icloud.com>> Name:

Telephone:

Preference for Tuesday, day (1:30 pm) or evening (7:30 pm).



Prayer Requests



Virginia Antonetty: Zamirah, Yvellisse	Bob and Cheryl Klenner: Lisa Helsom	
Caunedo, Christian	Karol Lavalle: Ellen Saige, Steve Castorena	
Lucy Archamboult: Tom Anderson, Gina Tena	Jon & Jan Jastram: Phyllis Jastram, Buzz,	
& Family, Lynn, Jeannie & their families, Sam	Daniel & David, Patty	
Moore & Family, Nina Trogdon, Peggy, Harris Family, Amye	Krugers: Jim & Joanne, Bob & Pat, Jon &	
Nicole Arguello: Liz Rodriguez & Family	Mikele, Molly Highwater, Dave & Liz, Fran	
Karen Cellan: Kevin & Ronda Stantz, Kris Roman, Kathy & Frank, Kathy Braun and	Meitzen, Diane Mulder, Susan Wiederspan, Patty	
Mark and Dave Walker	Kristin Schultz: Lynne Morrow	
Vicki Easson: Kim Kangus, Ash McCallum	Shelley Tackeuchi: Tammy	
Kathy Ferdig: Donn & Janet Franklin	Bob & Lucy Welch: Kim Welch, Family of	
Reils: Will Larson	Preston Lard	
Nanette Morton: Sandie Chapin	Mark & Denise Winn: Nigel Jones, Mitch and Val Winn, Ben Stanzell, Cathy Fillingim	
Priscilla: Barb &Dan	Thompson	
	VanDeMotters: Bud (Charles)	

All Saints Congregation Members

Harriett Rothlisberger Bob Klenner Walter Stolte Julie LaHam Dawn Mace Betsy Mahoney

We pray for Bishop– elect Meghan Johnston Aelabouni and her family as they move from Jerusalem to Co, to prepare for her service as bishop of the Rocky Mountain Synod.

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