

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL JULY 2025

Special Congregational Meeting Sunday, July 6 immediately following worship

The Congregation Council is calling this meeting for two special votes.

First, we need to vote to enter into a contract for the drainage repair on the south edge of the property. Last summer, a massive rainstorm flooded the rear drainage system and did significant damage. After many months, we finally secured an engineer to draw up plans to mitigate and rebuild the entire drainage system. In November the congregation voted to enter into an agreement with Miller Engineering to create plans and specifications for contractors to bid. Miller Engineering gave us two reputable contractors to bid, and one responded. The contractor that responded was Custom Grading, Inc., with a total price of \$148,363.40. This price is expected to go down a bit as the price includes taxes, which we do not pay on materials.

We sought other bids and found no other contractors that were interested or could take on this job. At the last minute, Jaynes Corporation got back to us, and we anticipate their bid by the end of June. To that end, we are now ready to execute an agreement with one of the contractors not to exceed \$148,500. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Becker at 203.943.1146 (evenings) or at thomasedwardbecker@hotmail.com; or Pastor Kristin.

It is important to note that the city of Albuquerque is requiring us to complete the drainage work. We have had city hydrology engineers on the property along with Miller engineering and Custom Grading, and they agree to the plans.

We also would like to have a second vote on the constitutional changes presented last winter and voted on at the annual meeting in February. This second vote would finalize those changes. If you would like to see those again, please contact Krysta in the church office.

Please plan to attend the congregational meeting on July 6, in person or by Zoom Thank you,

Pastor Kristin

Movie Nights

In June a group gathered for the movie Pride and had a great time ~ with the movie, the discussion following, as well as a fun salad potluck. Join us this month at 6:00!



The Miracle Club – Wednesday, July 9 at 6:00 p.m. There's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. A heartwarming tale of faith and forgiveness. Starring Maggie Smith, Kathy Bates and Laura Linney.

Babette's Feast – Wednesday, August 6 at 6:00 p.m. During the late 19th century, a strict religious community in a Danish village takes in a French refugee from the Franco-Prussian War as a servant to the late pastor's daughter. Babette gifts them with the feast of a lifetime. Winner of the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1988; based on a short story by Isak Dinesen. The film is in Danish with subtitles.

See you this summer!

Grace and peace-Pastor Kristin

Grief 101 Group in August

Pastor Kristin is offering a Grief 101 group following worship on the Sundays in August. We will explore what it means to grieve the loss of a loved one, learning and reflecting together, sharing stories and mutual support. We will meet in the library 11:30 – 1:00 for the five Sundays of August. If you have experienced a loss and would like to participate, or if you have questions, please contact Pastor Kristin.

-Building with Hope and Blessings Capital Campaign Update-

Thank you for your support of the capital campaign!

As of June 25, the campaign has received \$53,917.

Campaign expenses totaled \$12,016, for a balance of \$41,901.

We have received 58 commitments totaling \$284,359.

A new bulletin board kiosk in entryway will keep track of income to the capital campaign, with each brick representing \$1,000. If you would like to support the campaign with a pledge or donation, contact the church office, or pick up a commitment card or giving envelope in the entryway. If you have questions about the campaign, please contact Pastor Kristin or Jim Kruger.



Worship

July 6th-	July 13th-
Isaiah 66:10-14	Colossians 1:1-14
Psalm 66:1-9	Psalm 25:1-10
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Luke 10:25-37
July 20th-	July 27th-
Colossians 1:15-28	Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 15	Psalm 19: 1-7, 14 (1-10, 14)
Luke 10:38-42	Luke 11:1-4

Welcome, Guests!

In July we will host another youth group visiting Albuquerque for service learning camps. Our Saviors Circle Pines Lutheran Church will be here July 13-19. This group will sleep in the classrooms and use the kitchen throughout the week.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Assisting Minister	Lector	Zoom Usher	Audio	Video
July 6th	Kurt	Hannah	Megan B.	Marlee B.	Lee L.
July 13th	Nicole A.	Gloria N O	Megan B.	Marlee B.	Steve R.
July 20th	Kris E.	Karen C.	Logan	Nicole A.	Meredyth J.
July 27th	Sue M.	Crish T.	Logan	Marlee B.	Lee L.



MEN'S GROUP-

Tuesday, July 1st 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting at Slice n Dice pizza -located at 5720 McMahon Boulevard NW, Suite B. Abq.

All Saints Women's Group

A new women's group is beginning at All Saints – one that will meet on evenings and weekends. To begin with, we plan to gather monthly at local restaurants for discussion and community. We plan to have creative gatherings periodically throughout the year.

The first gathering is **Thursday, July 3 at 5:30pm** at Jinja on Sevilla Ave (off Coors south of Montaño). If you plan to join us, please contact the church office so we can make reservations. (505) 898 3932

JULY BIRTHDAYS



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Crish Tippit







Look Back with Gratitude and Look Forward with Hope

To help keep you aware of ASLC financial position, the following table provides a summary of financial information as of the end of May '25. The method of reporting our financial results has changed slightly. The table below incorporates that change, which now reports our loan payments in total expenses.

	YTD	YTD
	May '25	May '24
General Giving	\$106,425	\$100,576
Other revenue	\$34,883	\$32,036
Expenses	\$146,171	\$136,124
NET Cash Flow	(\$4,860)	(\$3,510)

During the month of May our revenues were slightly more than our expenses. YTD General Giving is up \$5,848 (5.81%). On a year-to-date basis, expenses show an increase of \$10,047 (7.38%). For the year the preschool has operated at a loss of \$8,356.

This Spring the members of the Development Committee have devoted their energy toward our Capital Campaign, "Building with Hope & Blessings." If you haven't made a commitment to the Capital Campaign or have questions about the Campaign let me or Pastor Kristin know. Thank you, again, to all that have made a commitment to the Campaign. Please see the Pastor's message for an update on the current results of the campaign.

Thank you for your support, not only financial, but in the many other ways you support the ministries and programs of the church.

If you have questions or would like assistance, please contact me (ikrugero1@comcast.net) or Pastor Kristin.

Jim Kruger on behalf of the Development Committee.



Summer Days The devotional from Saltproject.org was sent by email in June; contact the office if you would like a digital or print copy.

Join Pastor Kristin following worship on **July 6 and 27** to read and discuss the scripture, poems, and suggestions for restoration offered in the devotional.

Sierra Vista School Backpack Food Collection Starts July 13th to August 24th. Donations can be left on the donation table or in the office.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Ministry Lead: Amy Enriquez (505) 699-1053 mr_mrs_enriquez@yahoo.com

SIERRA VISTA SCHOOL BACKPACK FOOD COLLECTION PROJECT

School is back in session, and Sierra Vista Elementary School is again starting its backpack food collection project.

For many years, the All Saints Community Outreach Committee has sponsored this program twice a year, which provides children from low-income families to take food home on Fridays for the weekend. The drive provides nutritional food and snacks for many families at Sierra Vista Elementary School in Paradise Hills. At one time, over 20 backpacks were being filled each week to be taken home by needy students on Friday for weekend meals.

SUGGESTED SHOPPING LIST

- Pasta Various types
- Spaghetti Sauce Cans only
- Fruit Cups
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Canned Vegetables and Fruit
- Juice & Chocolate Milk Boxes
- Cheese and Cracker Snacks
- Drink Mixes (Cocoa, Cider, Fruit)
- Peanut Butter (Plastic Jars)
- Powdered or Long Life Boxed Milk
- Tuna
- Rice/Beans dried
- Tomato Sauce Cans only

- Soups
- Jello/Pudding Mix
- Muffin/Bisquit Mix
- Canned Ham or Chicken
- Granola Bars
- Packages of Nuts
- Jelly (Plastic Jars)
- Cereal/Instant Oatmeal

Refrigeration space is almost non-existent so <u>no fresh and no frozen food</u> will be accepted. Also, <u>no glass</u> containers since food is being carried home in backpacks.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help those in need in our community and neighborhood and to work toward the mission of ending childhood hunger.

Thank you for your participation and generosity.



OAR Disaster Evacuee Comfort Kits



As a part of OAR's rapid response mission we are putting together Comfort Kits for people being evacuated to emergency shelters because of fires or other disasters. Donations can be left in the Narthex or in the Office.

If you would like to donate to this effort we will gladly accept help, especially with the following:

Monetary Donations
Lightweight Towels
Multicolor washcloth bundles
Nail Clippers
Disposable razors
Flossers
Zip top freezer bags

Questions- Ask Vicki Easson- eassonv@gmail.com

All Saints Lutheran Church

At the Pride Parade!





THE PRESCHOOL MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Your Preschool Ministry has been changing and influencing the lives of children and families since 1989! I have many stories from these families but, this year near Graduation in May I received a call........ Mother called one day and left a message asking if someone from the preschool could call her back. I recognized the last name and called her back. Of course, at first, she was surprised that I was still here. Her request was for a Graduation Bear that I gifted to her twins in 2013. She and her family had moved back to the Chicago area to be near family several years ago. The twins had received a dark brown and a light brown bear and had fought about which bear belonged to which twin. In the move the dark bear was lost, never to be found again so now the twins had to share the one bear. Her question, did I happen to have another bear? She sent me a picture, and I immediately looked on amazon to find the bear. So, this year I purchased an extra bear to send to the twins! The mother also shared that the twins had so many memories of the 2 years they were in preschool. One twin remembers me holding her when she had a bad earache and we were waiting for her mother.

Can you believe this! So, a small light brown bear with a gradation hat and diploma is on the way to Chicago as I write this. The twins finished their Junior year in High School this year. Next year 2026 when they graduate, I will be sending "2" new larger bears to the twins. This story will continue next year........Ms. Marleta



PRESCHOOL KORNER

JULY 2025

Session 2 / July 7 - 31



During July, the preschool will have many FUN activities! Such as water/mud days, bubbles, slime, chalk painting, tie-dye shirts and socks, butter and strawberry jam making with homemade biscuits and a Spaghetti Picnic!

Wow! Don't you wish you could go back to preschool! In July, the Preschool will start preparing for another great 25/26 school year. The process has begun to move the Infant/Toddler room to the large double room with the 3-4 year old children moving to the current Infant Room. The growth for the program will be in the Infant/Toddler age bracket due to free Pre-K now being offered at most ele-

mentary schools. The teachers and staff will be working extra hard in July so we will be ready!

OPEN HOUSE 2025

Monday, AUGUST 4th 3:00 - 6:00 PM

The Preschool invites ALL Preschool Board members, Church Council members and Church members to attend the Open House. Come meet the children, families and staff. Tour the school and experience your Preschool in action.



Jamie (Hughes) and Dominic Hernandez were married at Christ Lutheran in Santa Fe by Pastor Kristin and Pastor Ben Larzelere - pictured here with the All Saints wedding banner.



Some of you know that I have been participating in a training course to earn a certification in the Alexander Technique (AT). Essentially, AT is a process of self-discovery and re-education, empowering individuals to move with greater ease, freedom, and grace in all aspects of their lives. Once I become fully certified I will be able to help others to re-educate their bodies to focus on improving posture, balance, and coordination by addressing habitual patterns of tension and pain. The concentration for the first year has been "The Art of Being" - a deep dive into the discovery of the self. One of the main takeaways thus far is that in order to help others, I must be comfortable and healthy first. One of my required readings for the class is a book titled, Beauty – The Invisible Embrace: Rediscovering the True Sources of Compassion, Serenity, and Hope by John O'Donohue. I have just begun reading and have underlined so many glimmers and light bulb flashes to share: "We feel most alive in the presence of the Beautiful for it meets the needs of our soul... We have separated soul from experience, becoming taken up with the outside world, allowing the interior to shrink... Our situation today shows that beauty demands for itself at least as much courage as do truth and goodness... Beauty isn't just a call to growth, it is a transforming presence where we unfold toward growth almost before we realize it... The Beautiful offers us an invitation to order, coherence, and unity. When these needs are met, the soul feels at home in the world."

During the past couple of Sundays during the Summer Day devotional, I have felt a strong connection between my AT work, Mary Oliver the words of a poet and the heartfelt sharing from the group. The first and second devotions were on Rest and Trust in which we were challenged to reconsider what a productive day could look like in Rest (the periodic idleness for the sake of cultivating blessedness). We learned that faith is literally in the middle of confidence (the Greek word for faith is fide). How utterly fantastic is that?! Rest and Faith go hand in hand to form an underlying trust in God that helps to keep our worries in their place. Looking for the Beautiful in everyday life can be a challenge, especially when those days are filled with hard challenges like the current times in our world.

With that being said, I am excited to tell you that Nathan has been offered a full-time position as Assistant Choir Director at St. John's UMC. This is an amazing opportunity for him and though we will miss him dearly, we know he will excel in his new adventure. He will be sticking around through the summer, so there will be ample time to give him many well wishes and love.

A challenge/reminder for us all from the Summer Day devotional and Mary Oliver: Day after day, give thanks for the glorious world 'happening again'. What else will you do with your wild and precious life?

Peace and Beauty to you all. -Erin R.



Prayer Requests

Virginia Antonetty: Zamirah, Yvellisse

Caunedo, Christian

Lucy Archamboult: Gina Tena & Family, Lynn, Jeannie & their families, Sam Moore & Family, Peggy, Harris Family, Amye, Lee and Linda

Nicole Arguello: Liz Rodriguez & Family

Karen Cellan: Kevin & Ronda Stantz, Kris Roman-great grandson Sawyer and family, Kathy Braun and family, Dave Walker, Alanna Cellan-Walker, Frank

Vicki Easson: Kim Kangus, Ash McCallum

Kathy Ferdig: Donn & Janet Franklin

Karen Hyde: Brent Bardo, Carol Lang,

Sharon Ellis

Kris: Michael and Ede Ericson Cardell

Reils: Will Larson

Nicholas: Julie Shy and family

Kurt Rager– Hannah Rager and Chicago

family

Cheryl Klenner: Nancy and Dale Halsom, Kurt

and Beth Stoor, Bruce Epper

Karol Lavalle: Ellen Saige

Jon & Jan Jastram: Phyllis Jastram, Buzz,

Daniel & David, Patty

Krugers: Jim & Joanne, Bob & Pat, Jon & Mikele, Molly Highwater, Dave & Liz, Fran Meitzen, Diane Mulder, Susan Wiederspan,

Patty

Shelley Tackeuchi: Tammy

Bob & Lucy Welch: Kim Welch

Mark & Denise Winn: Nigel Jones, Mitch and

Val Winn, Ben Stanzell, Cathy Fillingim

Thompson, Wharton Family

VanDeMotters: Jack and Cheryl Ferrell

Dan Mazan: Karl Koeneman

Gale Kaufman: Family of LaVerne

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