

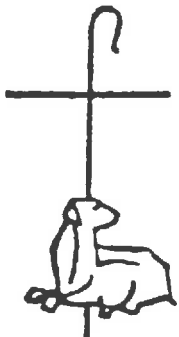
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SPIRITUALLY GROWING
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE JULY 2018

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 AM LSB setting 4/Communion
9:15 AM Adult Sunday School
ESVSB starts July 22, 2018
10:30 AM LSB Setting 4/Communion-7/1 & 7/8
10:30 AM LSB Setting 1/Communion 7/15; 7/22; 7/29

OTHER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

NO WEDNESDAY VESPERS IN JULY
ESVBS BEGINS SUNDAY, JULY 22

EVENTS IN JULY

July 4: INDEPENDENCE DAY
July 14 HOOKS & NEEDLES MEETS 9:00 am
July 22: St. Mary Magdalene
July 23-Alzheimer's Support Meeting
July 25: St. James the Elder, Apostle

AUGUST QUILL DEADLINE JULY 15, 2018

Please e-mail your articles to
lcgsquill@aol.com or put in Quill Box no
later than the 15th.



EVERY SUNDAY VBS STARTS
JULY 22 FOR 5 SUNDAYS.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP YOUR
CHILDREN. BRING FRIENDS,
NEIGHBORS, ETC.

FREEDOM is the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint. The absence of subjection to foreign domination or despotic government.

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom (2 Corinthians 3:17)

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed (John 8:36)

For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. (Galatians 5:13)

Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves. (Abraham Lincoln)

When the people fear the government there is tyranny, when the government fears the people there is liberty. (John Basil Barnhill)

LADIES LUNCH SCHEDULE FOR JULY. We are open to all ladies of LCGS.

We meet at 11:30 at a different restaurant each date.

JULY 3—Eggs Up Grill—805 W. Wade Hampton Blvd. Greer

JULY 10—Flame Mediterranean & American Grill –743 Congaree Rd – Greenville

JULY 17-5 Guys Burgers-805 W Wade Hampton Blvd. Greer

JULY 24-Bleu Porch Kitchen & Market 302 N Main St. Greer

JULY 31-Villa Frosi-250 Wade Hampton Blvd (Near Our Saviour LC)

Please let Karen Meyer know if you will be joining us so we can get enough seats.



HOOKS and NEEDLES will meet on Saturday, July 14^h, in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00-11:00am.

Bring your projects to work on. If you don't knit or crochet come and help finish our "sheep" project. Please join us Saturday, July 14.

We are having A PARTY/GET TOGETHER:



A party/get together is planned for July 27th 6:30 to 10 at the Kilpatrick's home. Hot dogs will be provided and everyone can bring a side to share. Also bring any outdoor games you may have.

RSVP to daphinebechtel@att.net or text 990-8951.

HEADS UP—GOLFERS!!!

REGARDING PASTOR TED'S 36TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT-2018

This annual event **WILL** be held this fall. Due to the fact the Bonnie Brae Golf Course is closing, there will be a change of location. The event will be the same, only at a different location. Further details will be forthcoming as they are finalized. Keep watching the Quill and the Bulletins for details.





Plunge in to VBS 2018! At *Splash Canyon* VBS, your children learn God keeps His promises on life's wild ride! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts where our faithful God keeps His promises to be with us and gives us life and hope through Jesus, our Savior.

Registration is open for ages 1-2 and 3-11 who will attend VBS on five *Sundays*, July 22, 29: August 5, 12, 19, from 9:05 - 10:20 am. Come along with us as we find out more of God's promises, sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, learn Bible verses & eat yummy snacks. Plus, learn that all God's promises are Yes in Jesus! Can't wait to see you there! To register, sign up *at the registration table in the narthex*.

If you cannot attend every Sunday listed, register anyway so you can attend the Sunday's you'll be at church. And bring a friend too.

LIBERIAN ORPHANAGE SUPPORT:

ATTENTION: On **Sunday July 15th** you have opportunity for a special offering for the Liberian Orphanage. At our May voters' meeting we voted unanimously to support at least two orphans for one year amounting to \$400. This includes getting the monies to the Liberian bank.

You may use the blue envelopes in the pews for cash or check. Make checks payable to LCGS and in the memo write "Liberian Orphanage".

Thank you on behalf of Pastor John Fefegula and children orphaned by Ebola.



WEIHNACHTSMARKT DECEMBER 2nd.

Planning has begun for the German Christmas Mart that will enter us into the season of Advent.

We need vendors as well as those willing to help make this a joyful and meaningful event.

Contact Emme Gannon if you can serve in any way.

UNITED MINISTRIES 29th ANNUAL TRANSFORMATION EVENT—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND.

Registration begins at 8am, kick off 9am. The walk is FREE. The fee to run is \$25 for early bird registration (ends July 31) and \$30 beginning on August 1.

Starting at a new location-First Baptist Church, Greenville. Walk will include the Swamp Rabbit Trail.

/sign up now at www.united-ministries.org/transformation-walk/



REMNANTS

Over the past 30 days I am sure you noticed the Hill leading up to the Upper parking area—This Hill was filled with Easter Lilies all in bloom...Those Lilies were planted over the past 5 years from the remnants of our Easter Celebrations—

I pray that this Lily Field will be a Reminder that there is Life After Death.

God is Most Certainly Good...

Your Friend in Christ Gary Meyer

Matthew 6:25-34 American Standard Version (ASV)

²⁵ Therefore I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? ²⁶ Behold the birds of the heaven, that they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; and your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are not ye of much more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto ^{the} the measure of his life? ²⁸ And why are ye anxious concerning raiment? **Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:** ²⁹ yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God doth so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith? ³¹ Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ³² For after all these things do the Gentiles seek; for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. ³³ But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. ³⁴ Be not therefore anxious for the morrow: for the morrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Care - Share – Prayer

Care, Share, and Prayer was the theme of our 40th church anniversary celebration. Most of you are here because you have recognized those qualities as genuine attributes of our Church Family. Our church is over 60 years old. Consequently, we continue to grow. The strength of our church is in our members. Our goal is to live in the will of God.

To live in the will of God or more importantly to comprehend our role in God's Plan, takes prayer and willingness to labor daily applying the principles directed by His Word, day after day, year after year, along with revisiting the scriptures over and over again. This should not only take place at a scheduled service at Good Shepherd, but also in the sanctity of our homes. Gradually like the seasons, its rhythm becomes absorbed into our nature. The significance of our navigation through a framework of blessing and cursing, life and death, good and evil, this becomes the training of our will, yes, a task for a lifetime! All in all God considers even the insignificant things of everyday life as currency redeemable in eternity.

We as members of this church, The Lutheran Church Of The Good Shepherd, are members of a complex organism with many parts, each in his own place and with his own function, working together in harmony. The fundamental requisite for the proper functioning of the Body of Christ, which is composed of many members of diverse talents working in a spirit of humility, gentleness, and mutual support on the part of the members. The purpose of this body of believers is to nurture each of its members into the perfect image of Christ.

Today I ask each one, young or old to take special notice of the needs in our church. Offer your special God-given talents and time as there are many committees in need of helping hands, remembering that we are foremost a people seeking God. We are His people, we are His church. Is it not God's plan for us to live in harmony and in a beauty of being, as well as purpose?

I encourage you to attend our congregational meeting and become a more active member bringing God's spirit into each other's hearts.

Thank you for your consideration and a special thank you to those who have been serving over the years, caring and sharing and praying.

Your Friend In Christ, Gary Meyer

LUTHERAN BRAILLE WORKERS
75TH ANNIVERSARY
1943-2018

For 75 years Lutheran Braille Workers has been bringing the message of hope, life, joy and freedom in the resurrected Jesus in the midst of hard times to those who are visually impaired.

ABOUT LUTHERAN BRAILLE WORKERS

STARTED WITH A MISSION: Helene Loewe Koehler responded to a plea from Mr. Fred Graepp for Braille Bibles for blind pastors in Germany. Helen learned Braille from Mr. Graepp by correspondence, keeping them and her Braille manuscripts in a shoe box under her bed.

Helene's brother, Norman Loeber created a Braille press using rollers from their mother's wringer washer.

The Ladies Aid Society of Trinity Lutheran Church became the first of nearly 200 Braille and Large Print Work Centers

Braille publications are distributed free of charge in more than 120 countries around the world.

Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) produce Braille Bibles in Amharic, Arabic, French, Indonesian, Kiswahili, Latvian, Malayalam, Russian, Spanish, and English Contracted Braille.

A Grade 2 Bible consists of 37 volumes. Each bible takes up 5 feet of shelf space. Bibles are provided free of charge to blind and vision impaired readers throughout the world. Other Christian books and pamphlets are also offered in multiple languages.

There are more than 35 million people throughout the world who are blind. LBW goal is to add three more languages – Hindi, Russian, and Tamil.

The Large Print Bible (English Standard Version) consists of 26 spiral-bound volumes. It is printed with 18 point font on durable non-glare white or vanilla paper. The set requires 2 feet of shelf space.

Also available is a Spanish Bible (37 volumes) and editions of Favorite Hymns, Gospel Hymns, and The Good News About Jesus, along with a variety of tracts and pamphlets.

LBW produces approximately 250,000 volumes a year through thousands of volunteers in over 200 Work Centers.

There are two Work Centers in South Carolina – Risen Christ Lutheran Church in Myrtle Beach and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Simpsonville.

LBW is supported by volunteers and financial support from organizations and members like you.

Talking Books are also available and just recently LBW announced all of the magazines offered on cassette are now offered in digital format. This includes The Lutheran Witness, Portals of Prayer, Luther Women's Quarterly and Illuminations.

More information, including ways to support this work, may be found on the web site – lbwinc.org

TINKER, EVERS AND CHANCE

Our church is in its off-season. I've been looking forward to this time of rest but recently I came across an old poem called "Baseball's Sad Lexicon" that gives me pause.

These are the saddest of all possible words:

"Tinker to Evers to Chance."

Trio of Bear Cubs and

Fleeter than birds,

"Tinker to Evers to Chance."

Ruthlessly pricking our gonfalon bubble,

Making a Giant hit into a double,

Words that are weighty with nothing but trouble:

"Tinker to Evers to Chance."

- Franklin Pierce Adams, *New York Evening Mail*, 1910

From 1906 to 1909, the Chicago Cubs were nearly unbeatable, mostly because they counted on just three players to make lots of double plays: Tinker (shortstop), Evers (second baseman) and Chance (first baseman). Their God-given talent and astonishing skill made them both feared and admired by other teams; their artistry was so beautiful that they became a national phenomenon. Back then, baseball was a strange mix of terrifying blood sport and gentlemanly expectations. Players and fans alike didn't mind being soundly beaten by a worthy opponent as much as they do today.

At the end of the 1909-10 season, Tinker, Evers and Chance moved on. They left behind an organization that counted too much on that "Trio of Bear Cubs". The team lost all focus and suffered a decades-long slump. I don't want to share the Cubs' fate this summer when it comes to my Life in Christ. I can expect less of myself, rest, have fun and enjoy a lot of baseball this summer. But that refrain!

"Tinker to Evers to Chance." It haunts me.

Sure, it's just a game. Many people think it's boring, slow and corrupt. They're right, if they only watch the diamond or the personal lives of some players. When I study the game's history and watch the periphery, I see excitement of near-Biblical proportions. Despite its faults, baseball is still that strange mix of terrifying blood sport and gentlemanly expectations that it has been for about 180 years. Like God, it's good but it's not tame. And like God, it generates a lot of excitement in the most unexpected places. This summer God will draw some of my attention out of our church building to His Presence in those places. He is everywhere, always working. I can let Him use me as His instrument elsewhere without forgetting that He's still active at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. "Baseball's Sad Lexicon" reminds me not to lose focus. Unlike the Chicago Cubs of the early 1900's, we are blessed to count on so much more than three human beings for victory. We have Father, Son, Holy Spirit and many gifted, dedicated members. It's an honor to be on the team.

Now hats off, hands over hearts, face the flag, be still and quiet, hear the anthem, hear His Voice, play ball and know that He is God.

-Susanne Fisher, 6/16/18



SPIRIT OF THE FRUIT-Extended through the month of JULY.....

...Spirit of the Fruit month when every member, adult, teen, child, is asked to bring at least one can of fruit during the month. Fruit is the least donated item at the Food Pantry. You can make a difference. Please help.

...REMEMBER...One Can of Fruit...per member...

PRISON MINISTRY

ALSO REMEMBER OUR PRISON MINISTRY: WE ARE COLLECTION TOILETRIES SUCH AS:

- BARS OF SOAP
- TOOTH PASTE
- TOOTH BRUSHES
- STICK DEODORANT

PUT YOUR ITEMS IN THE BASKET UNDER THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

ANOTHER BENEVOLENT OPTION IS UNITED MINISTRIES:

Here are highlights of services provided for January—February.

- 21 Students passed the GED
- 8 individuals began a job training course
- 62 jobs were obtained
- 464 families received food
- 362 families received assistance with utilities or rent
- 1012 showers were taken at Place of Hope day Shelter
- 3 families and 14 homeless individuals gained a home
- 42 individuals received emergency shelter through the Interfaith Hospitality Network
- Volunteers gave 8313 Hours

DATE	OCCASION	TIME	#	TIME	#	Total Attend.	Offering
May 20	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	57	10:30 AM	110	167	2454.00
May 23	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM			
May 27	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	64	10:30 AM	107	171	
May 30	WEDNESDAY			7:00 PM	31		
June 3	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	61	10:30 AM	119	180	9443.01
June 10	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	59	10:30 AM	107	166	5503.00
June 22	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	57	10:30 AM	105	162	
June 25	SUNDAY	8:00 AM		10:30 AM			