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LIVING SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Announcements for the Week of August 28, 2016

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
The Reverend Angela K. Powell, Pastor
Don Huff, Minister of Worship and Music



God's Work:
Our Hands

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: We are delighted you are here and have been praying for you. If this is your first time, we are honored you chose to worship with us. If you have been here before, welcome back! We invite you to leave contact info in the friendship pads, guest cards, or at the welcome center. Children are welcome in worship, or we have a nursery downstairs, where Ms. Carla provides loving care of those up to age 5. Restrooms are located in the sanctuary through the door directly opposite the entrance doors. We pray this worship will renew and prepare all to go out into God's world to love and serve.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God by Sherry Wooldridge, with a grateful heart to the congregation for your constant love and generosity.

PASTOR ANGELA THANKS ALL THE MANY FOLKS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO HER BAIL recently so she could get out of lock up easily! She raised over \$2000 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and its work with those who have its associated diseases.

~ I give thanks to you for your caring and loving support! Way to Go Living Saviour!!~

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS CELEBRATION LUNCHEON: All are invited to join us for a Bar BQ lunch as we celebrate the conclusion of God's Work Our Hands 2016 immediately following worship today. In the past month our church family has been a blessing to many outside our church doors as we used our hands to serve, as God has instructed us to do. Thank you to all that participated! A slide show will be shown during the luncheon of many projects we have completed.

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMERCIAL VENDORS TO GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS: Today we will be thanking all those people who gave of their time to make this past week of our GWOH campaign a success. In addition, we want to thank some local merchants who gave gift certificates (Harris Teeters in Indian Land, Rea Road, Ardrey Kell, Ballantyne, and John J. Delaney, and also the Food Lion in Indian Land). Also, we want to extend two very special thank yous – one to Chicken Salad Chick who donated two chicken salad trays worth nearly \$90 for the Friday luncheon at Smithfield Elementary. And a BIG thank you to 521 BBQ for giving us a very generous discount on the barbeque we'll be enjoying at the luncheon. Please extend your appreciation to all these merchants when you shop in their stores.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets two Mondays of each month at 10 a.m. Anyone who knits or crochets is welcome to join in Monday August 29, 2016. (They also accept yarn donations)

FAITH LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THIS MORNING (9 to 10 a.m.)

G.I.F.T., a multi-generational, interactive, educational experience for KG through grade 8.

Living Saviour's Summer Gift program is learning about the Bible with a focus on the Books of the Bible. **Do you know how many books in the Bible? In the Old Testament? The New Testament?** Come join us for learning and fun! **Prizes** for anyone who can recite either the Books of the Old Testament or New Testament or both sections.

QUILT MINISTRY RESUMES REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS IN SEPTEMBER. Our first workshop of the Fall is on Thursday, Sept. 1, at 10:00 am. We will be assembling quilt layers and tying quilts to prepare for the final step of edge stitching. All are welcome to participate in this project that benefits Lutheran World Relief.

BIBLE STUDY: Pastor Angela will lead a seven-week study of Making Sense of Scripture: Big Questions about the Book of Faith, by the Rev. Dr. David J. Lose. Wednesdays, 10:00 AM, starting Sept. 7. Book cost \$13.00. Contact lslc@livingsaviourlc.org to order book and for more information. All are welcome.

BLESSING THE BACKPACKS will take place on Sunday September 11 at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you have long since carrying a school backpack or if it is a new thing for you this year, bring your backpack or school bag tote to be blessed. All ages invited to do participate.



RALLY DAY! "BACK TO CHURCH" SUNDAY! "CELEBRATE THE GREAT THINGS GOD IS DOING HERE" SUNDAY! September 11, 2016 at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for ALL AGES!

Join in the fun as we kick off our new year of Faith Formation and Faith Learning! A light breakfast, caring conversation, a devotion, an act of service for our Homebound neighbors, and BLESSING OF BACKPACKS! A jam packed hour for all ages. There will be a time to meet your teacher.

Contact Russell Hinson for further details or questions

3-5 year olds—Amanda Thom

Elementary school and all ages—GIFT—Russell Hinson

Middle School (6-8 grades)—Ryan Huber

High School (9-12 grade)—Andrew Thom

Adults Faith Forum—Marty Jenkins

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

- ◆ **Choir (high school age and up) resumes Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 pm**
- ◆ **Alleluia Ringers (high school age and up) resumes Wednesday, September 14 at 6:00 pm**
- ◆ **Celebration and Joy Choir (kids age 5 thru grade 5) resumes Sunday, September 18 after worship**
- ◆ **Jubilate Ringers (middle and high school youth) TBA**
- ◆ **Women and Men's Chorus at announced times**
- ◆ **Intergenerational Chorus at announced times**

Contact Don Huff with any questions.



LADIES' NIGHT OUT: Ladies, let's catch up from the summer and hear about each other's family events, trips, and activities! Our next Ladies' Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th, at Bravo! Cucina Italiana Restaurant in the Blakeney shopping center in South Charlotte. All Living Saviour ladies and their guests are welcome! We will meet starting at 6:00 pm and plan to order about 6:30. Their address is **9824 Rea Rd., Charlotte, NC 28277**. Please RSVP by Sunday, September 11th. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Please contact: Shallen Gordon Shallen@GordonFamily.com and Jean Dunne jeandunneclt@gmail.com

DINNER NIGHT OUT will be held on September 13, at 6:00 pm at Trio's Restaurant located at 10709 McMullen Creek Pkwy, Charlotte, NC 28226-4621

HOPE CIRCLE will next meet on Thursday, Sept. 15, at 1:00. To discuss our summer reading book - "The Nightingale", by Kristen Hannah. Our service project is to prepare the underwear collected from "Undies Sundays in August" for delivery to A Child's Place. We will also complete a craft project for our upcoming Craft Bazaar. Hope Circle is a small group of women who meet together monthly for fellowship, spiritual conversation and service projects. All Women are invited and all hands are welcome!

"WHAT DISCIPLES DO" SERMON SERIES STARTS SEPT. 4

Jesus invited the disciples to "Follow," to "take up their nets" and to leave what they knew to go on a journey of faith. We too are invited to "follow" and be part of the network of God's people. So what do disciples do? We'll explore that together in the coming weeks as we take a look at "What Disciples Do" in the next sermon series beginning September 4.

So often we identify what we believe, yet Jesus seemed to care more about what disciples did rather than what they believed. Faith practices we call them, take just that, practice. Olympic athletes do not become successful overnight, it takes much practice to reach the level they achieve; the same is true for Christian disciples. The word disciple means learner, so in the coming weeks, we will learn together what disciples do, such as practice generosity, wrestle with God, take their faith public.

What Disciples Do: Live Freed From and For

Deuteronomy 30.15-20 <http://bible.oremus.org/?ql=339033673=>

Luke 14.25-33 <http://bible.oremus.org/?ql=339033729>

Freedom flows through all the readings this day. Moses reminds the people of Israel they have the freedom to choose between life and prosperity or death and adversity. This freedom to choose life comes through the freedom to choose obedience God. Moses lays out the choice: bondage to God and life or bondage to sin and death. Either way they will be bound to something.

In the Luke reading, Jesus speaks a challenging word, which echoes in ways that might make us uncomfortable. "Do you own your stuff or does your stuff own you?" Jesus suggests that our possessions make it difficult to follow faithfully. It is easy to dismiss this with a wave of the hand, "Oh, that certainly is not me"—until you start to consider just how much stuff is stored up in our homes and attics and garages

In Christ, freedom comes from letting go, giving away and trusting Jesus. In Christ we are free people, freed to choose life, faithfulness, and open our arms wide to receive the free grace of God. This is the God who chooses to never stop loving us. *(From: Sundays and Seasons)*

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Last Week's Attendance: 147

Sunday, August 28
 Blood Drive 8:30-12:30 p.m.
 Unbinding Your Heart 8:45 a.m.
 G.I.F.T. 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Celebration Luncheon Following Worship
 AA Women's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Monday, August 29
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 30
 PreSchool Teacher Appreciation Breakfast 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 31

Thursday, September 1
 Shepherd Ctr. of CLT Bridge Group 10:15 a.m.
 Unbinding Your Heart 7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 2

Saturday, September 3

Sunday, September 4
 Unbinding Your Heart 8:45 a.m.
 G.I.F.T. 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 AA Women's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Thank you for remembering to turn off your cell phone!

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

10:15

- Greeters The Quinlan Family
- Ushers Gail Fay, Ron Gordon, Betty Reynolds, Terry Godwin
- Assisting Minister Cindy Quinlan
- Communion Servers Chalice: Don Markusen, Ray Kilminster
Tray: Anita Mitchell, Karen Kaufeld
- Acolytes Alex Leeser
- Childcare Attendants Carla Gearheart and Kari Proctor
- Altar Guild Robin LaFollette, Lorene Thom, Sherry Wooldridge
- Carmel Place (9:15 a.m.) Ray and Glenda Kilminster

Serving Next Week — September 4

10:15 a.m.: Sharon Godfrey; John Sahr; Alice Jenkins, Andrew LaFollette, Marty Jenkins; Linda Honeycutt; Sally Ganz., Alex Leeser; Lorene Thom, Moss Hathcock; Nate Forster; Carla Gearheart and Alex Leeser
Carmel Place (9:15) — Chuck Malinowski and Anna Pearce

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY Pastor Angela can be reached on her day off or on weekends, at 704-408-9534. She will return your call as soon as possible.

Forward Announcement Bulletin submissions to TAaron@livingsaviourlc.org by Thursday at 9:00am

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