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Cross Talk

Monthly Longform Newsletter for July 2018

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Please join us on Sundays for Worship!

Worship Service at 9:30 AM with Pr. Ken Reinoehl



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Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
9 AM-1 PM
Closed Thursday and Friday



A Special Message from the Pastor's Desk

Nine months ago, I arrived on the scene of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, at a very unsettling time. It is hard to believe it was 9 months ago. On one hand, it seems like nine weeks ago, but on the other hand, it seems like it was a pleasurable 9 years. I believe this is because of the compassion of the **members** for Christ.

I have been thanked for helping to calm the unsettling waters, and helping the congregation to overcome... In some ways, the smoothing over of the "unsettling time" was not difficult, because those remaining, were concerned more with Christ's work and continuing His mission, than what might or might not have happened in the past.

I am VERY thankful to the members of Shepherd of the Valley for making me feel welcome and allowing me, to remind you, of what the Bible has directed us to do in times such as these. The last 9 months have allowed me to experience a dream which I've had for a number of years. But along about Easter, I realized a statement which I have made on numerous occasions: God definitely has a sense of humor. "If you want to make God laugh, just tell him YOUR plans."

My presence at SOTV was part of a dream, but it was MY dream, and it was at that time, I realized that I had better back off, and let God continue with HIS plan.

I am grateful for the welcome you gave me, the friendships which have developed, and the cooperation given to me as I attempted to serve the congregation. This has indeed, been a great learning experience for me, and I pray that the congregation will continue to grow, as I move off into the sunset, looking for other opportunities to share Christ's word. Your prayers are always appreciated.

July is now here, and a new day is dawning for Shepherd of the Valley. Ruth and I will be on vacation from June 30 to July 7. We will be on a short cruise in the western Caribbean. I will return on the 8th for my last worship service here, as Pr. Scott will begin his term ministry and once again SOTV will have a "real" minister. Before this change was determined, I had made arrangements with Pr. Patrick to fill in for me should an emergency occur during my vacation. And since Pr. Scott will not be available until the 15th I saw no need to change the plan that was in place. He can be reached at **330-243-0827**.

Yours in Christ,

Pr. Ken

Announcements for the start of the Month

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THANK YOU: A special Thank You to Pr. Ken Reinoehl for everything he has done for our congregation. He came to us when we needed him. God Bless him on his next endeavor.

WELCOME: We welcome Pastor Scott Anderson to our church. Council agreed to accept the "Term Call" for Pastor Anderson. He will be our Supply Pastor from July 15 through July 29. His first official day will be August 5, 2018. We will be celebrating Communion on July 15, at 9:30 AM service. Please come and meet our new pastor.

THANK YOU CARDS RECEIVED: Judy Barto thanked the Barney Bear Mission for her bear and all the prayers. She believes in the power of prayer.

Wayne Schmidt also thanked the church for his bear.

Ashlynn Glaser (Renny & Kathy Patterson's great niece) sent a card expressing thanks for her Barney Bear and for all the prayers during her surgery and recovery. She is hoping to be walking by the end of June.

Our Outreach Ministries are appreciated in many ways. God always know where they are needed.

TO ALL OF THE THRIVENT CHOICE CONTRIBUTORS: A BIG THANK YOU for your designated dollars to the church. Our congregation appreciates your generous giving.

Those who are Thrivent policyholders can ask to be a Congregational Volunteer (formerly known as Thrivent Advocate). Every year, we receive \$50.00 for up to 8 Congregational Volunteers. Those policy holders who would like to be a Volunteer, should contact their Thrivent representative.

Thrivent policyholders can support their favorite projects with a \$250.00 Action Team Grant up to 2 times per year.

COMMUNION: July 15, 9:30 AM service with Pastor Scott

HELP NEEDED FOR HELPING HANDS: Helping Hands is in need of some muscle on Tuesday mornings at 11:15 AM to help unload our truck when it gets back from the Food Bank. Unloading the truck usually takes 30-45 minutes. If you have some free time ANY Tuesday morning, please stop by and lend a hand! If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 330-866-2005. Thanks, Becky Larson, Director.

COUNCIL MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 13 at 6:30 PM. Council members who cannot attend are to notify Susan Lux in advance at 330.418.5702. All committee liaisons are to bring their reports or send them in advance if attendance is not possible.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Tuesday July 17.

ASSEMBLY ANGELS: July 25, 2018 at 11:00 AM.

OFFICE HOURS: July 2 & July 3, 9AM—3PM, closed July 4.

Announcements for the Month cont'd

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DID YOU EVER WONDER? I have been a member of SOTV since 2009, and I have wondered where the lamb, that sits by the pulpit, came from. If you have any ideas, please contact me. I will do a little investigating! Mary D.

Upcoming Events

Worship Service: Sundays at 9:30 AM

Quilting: Every other Tuesday (this month July 17 & July 31)

Choir Practice: On summer break

Council Meeting: No July Meeting, next August 13 at 6:30 PM

Shepherd's Kitchen: July 13, Bingo at 3:30 PM, Meal is served from 4:30 to 5:30 PM


Refuge of Hope: Third Monday of the Month (July 16)

Newsletter Deadline: Tuesday July 17

Assembly Angels: Wednesday, July 25 at 11:00 AM

The Month at Shepherd of the Valley

Our calendar of events is online at www.sotvchurch.com/events.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Office Hours 9 AM—3 PM	3 Office Hours 9 AM—3PM	4 Independence Day 	5	6	7
8	9 No Council Meeting	10	11	12	13 Shepherd's Kitchen Bingo 3:30 PM Meal 4:30 PM	14 Lux Reservation 11 AM - 5 PM
15 Comm. Pastor Scott Anderson	16 Refuge Of Hope	17 Quilting Newsletter Deadline	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Assembly Angels 11:00 AM	26	27	28
29	30	31 Quilting				

About Due Dates

- If you have an announcement to go into the Sunday bulletin, please have it to the church office by 10 AM on the Tuesday before. Unless it is a change of address announcement, it will be automatically posted to the website on the Latest News blog and go out with Cross Talk Online on Sunday morning. (Need to send something sooner digitally? E-mail Jacob Schandel at media@sotvchurch.com for help.)
- Newsletter items for the upcoming month are due to the church office by the third Monday of the month prior.

Other Dates and Information

If it's a note from a friend or member, a birthday, or anything else, we have it here.

Birthdays this Month

5 *Kathy Kinsley*
7 *Amy Lehman*
11 *Tim Farber*
13 *Evelyn Johnstone*
18 *Max Lebold*
21 *Joyce Aultman*
23 *Jason Broadwater*
27 *Renny Patterson*
29 *Kelly Pontones*

Anniversaries This Month

Ray & Shannon Hexamer (7/3)
Phil & Amy Lehman (7/20)
Max & Darleen Lebold (7/20)

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Did we have the wrong date? We apologize! Please let the church office know, and we will fix it on our end!

Special Messages for the Congregation

HAVE A SAFE JULY 4th

Sunday Readings for This Month

Sunday July 1

Lamentations 3: 22-33

Psalm 30

2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Mark 5: 21-43

Sunday July 8

Ezekiel 2: 1-5

Psalm 123

2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

Mark 6: 1-13

Sunday July 15

Amos 7: 7-15

Psalm 85: 8-13

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Mark 6: 14-29

Sunday July 22

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Psalm 23

Ephesians 2: 11-22

Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

Sunday July 29

2 Kings 4: 42-44

Psalm 145: 10-18

Ephesians 3: 14-21

John 6: 1-21

Council Members

Susan Lux, President

Jeff Ward, Vice President

Karen Broadwater, Secretary

Bill Bowman, Officer

Fred Drotleff, Officer

Max Lebold, Officer

Marilyn Mason, Officer

Chris Pontones, Officer

Terri Wanner, Officer

Please Remember the Shut-Ins

We have members of our flock who are not able to attend our Worship Services on a regular basis. Please remember these members in your prayers and with your cards. Addresses can be obtained from the church office upon request.

Church members living in assisted facilities:

Canton Christian Home

Carl Wanner

Country Club Residential

Campus

Alexa Dazey

Inn at Northwood Village

Rose Orlando

St. Lukes Lutheran Community

Robero Techi

Church members living independently and/or with family:

Guy & Joyce Aultman

Debra Campbell

Worship Leaders for the Month

If you are unable to come the day you are scheduled for, please notify the church office as soon as you can!

July 1

Music *Susan Kaschak*

Greeters/Ushers *The Monroe Family*

Lay Reader *MaryLou Cooper*

Communion Assistant

Acolytes *Jack Bowman*

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters *Brian & Mary*

Altar Care *Susan Kaschak*

July 8

Music *Susan Kaschak*

Greeters/Ushers *The Dan Wanner Family*

Lay Reader *Karen Broadwater*

Communion Assistant

Acolytes *Jack Bowman*

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters *Brian & Mary*

Altar Care *Susan Kaschak*

July 15

Music *Susan Kaschak*

Greeters/Ushers *The Bowman Family*

Lay Reader *Bill Bowman*

Communion Assistant *Karen Broadwater*

Acolytes *Jack Bowman*

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters *Michelle & Linda*

Altar Care *Susan Kaschak*

July 22

Music *Susan Kaschak*

Greeters/Ushers *Iva Campana & Dottie Scott/B Bowman & J Hunter*

Lay Reader *Fred Drotleff*

Communion Assistant

Acolytes *Zoe Ward*

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters *Janine & Terri*

Altar Care *Susan Kaschak*

Worship Leaders for the Month

If you are unable to come the day you are scheduled for, please notify the church office as soon as you can!

July 29

Music *Susan Kaschak*

Ushers/Greeters *Nanyc Tolfo & Thelma Nixon/B Bowman & J Hunter*

Lay Reader *Brian Lux*

Communion Assistant

Acolytes *Jack Bowman*

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters *Dan & Jeff*

Altar Care *Susan Kaschak*

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Music

Ushers/Greeters

Lay Reader

Communion Assistant

Acolytes

Junior Communion Assistant

Counters

Altar Care

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Ushers/Greeters

Lay Reader

Communion Assistant

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Council Minutes for [May 2018]

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SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES

May 14, 2018

Members present: Bill Bowman, Karen Broadwater, Fred Drotleff, Max Lebold, Susan Lux, Marilyn Mason, Chris Pontones, Terri Wanner, Ken Reinoehl, Absent (excused) Jeff and Michelle Ward

Meeting opened with prayer. *April Minutes reviewed.* It was noted of changes that needed to be made Max Lebold motioned to accept the minutes with the correction. Fred Drotleff seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report. Members reviewed report. Chris Pontones motioned to accept report. Marilyn Mason seconded. Motion carried.

Thrivent Update. Susan Lux reviewed the list of those who are potentially eligible to serve as congregational advocates. If someone wishes to be a congregational advocate, they should tell their Thrivent representative. Currently, Thrivent will give \$50 per year to the church for each congregational advocate up to \$400 per year. This program is currently under review and may be changed. Those who are Thrivent policyholders can request an Action Grant and can direct Choice Dollars to Shepherd of the Valley or to their favorite charity.

Bills. None

OLD BUSINESS

Mulch. Still waiting to hear about the delivery date. No other details available.

ELCA Meeting in June At this time no one has mentioned that they wanted to go. We are still awaiting responses of possible volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS

Congregational meeting. Meeting to be held June 10, 2018 to update congregation on Synod information re: pastoral candidate. There will be no voting.

Natural Gas. Columbia Gas has sent information to the congregation to consider locking in at a fixed rate.

Workers compensation. At this time SOV is using AultComp. Member felt that current plan should continue. Terri Wanner motioned to continue to use the AultComp plan. Marilyn Mason seconded. Motion carried.

Property insurance. At this time, SOV has a policy with State Farm. It was noted that there has not been an increase in rates. Members felt that we should continue with the current insurance. Discussed the need of a current(updated) inventory of the church items needs to be done.

Council Minutes for [May 2018 cont'd]

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Golf Outing. On July 11, 2018 the NE Ohio Synod Lutheran Men's mission is sponsoring a golf outing at Arrowhead Country Club with proceeds going for seminary students. We as a church can sponsor a golf hole at \$150.00. Bill Bowman motioned to sponsor a golf hole; Chris Pontones seconded. Motion carried.

Father's Day event. Fellowship and family to follow up with something possibly after church.

REPORTS

Evangelism and Outreach. Backpacks with supplies drive to be done again this year. Youth are working on stuffing bears and are considering starting on blankets.

Financial and Stewardship. No report

Fellowship and family. Mother's Day banquet held and Louise Baum funeral dinner

Property. Doorbell installed, air conditioning checked and it is OK

Worship and Music. The choir is going to take the summer off after May.

Youth. No report

Technology. Report reviewed by members

Pastor's report. Report reviewed by members. Ken is still working on contacting persons on the membership list. It was noted that there is a need to update the list. Pastor Anderson will return in June on communion Sunday. Catechism meeting held with 4 out of 5 students and parent(s) attending. Students were given an introduction to the program with homework to be completed during the summer. The program will begin sometime in the Fall. Chris Pontones motioned to accept Ken's report; Bill Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

Hall rental. There is a need to review the policy re: the hall rental. Some have expressed interest in using it but there needs to be a more specific policy with details.

Rummage sale. Sale scheduled for May 19, 2018 8-3.

Council Meeting. Next meeting June 11, 2018. No scheduled council meeting for July but will resume on August 13.

Max Lebold motioned to adjourn; Bill Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted. Karen Broadwater