

REMARKS

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Vacation Bible School 2011 was a "BIG JUNGLE ADVENTURE"! Kids had a great week exploring stories about God and learning about the many ways God takes care of us. Here, the kids are posing in front of the jungle. A big thanks to Gretchen Dodge and her granddaughters for creating this awesome jungle!!!



“ GROWING DISCIPLES - MAKING CHRIST KNOWN ”



PASTOR'S MESSAGE



The next time you're in church, open your hymnals to p. 15 (at the *very* front of the hymnal). What you'll find is a list of what the Church calls "Lesser Festivals and Commemorations." *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* describes these days as "additional days when we celebrate the life of Christ, the witness of those who accompanied and testified to him, and the gifts of God in the church. Commemorations illuminate various aspects of the church's life and mission through the lives of women and men who have followed Christ in succeeding generations." Many times, these so-called "lesser festivals" fall on weekdays and come and go without much notice. I find it helpful, however, to take note of these interesting people the Church has chosen to commemorate. Some of them are well-known people such as St. Dominic (Aug. 8), Florence Nightingale (Aug. 13), and Saint Augustine (Aug. 28). Others, however, are not as well-known, yet their lives give strong witness to Christ.

Take August 14, for example, the day we commemorate Maximilian Kolbe and Kaj Munk, two men considered more recent Christian martyrs. Maximilian Kolbe was a Franciscan monk who provided shelter for thousands of Jewish refugees from Poland during World War II. He was arrested by the German Gestapo and transferred to Auschwitz concentration camp in 1941. Later that year, three prisoners disappeared from the camp and, in order to punish the others, ten prisoners were taken to an underground bunker to be starved to death. Kolbe was not one of the initial ten, but when one of the ten called out for his wife, Kolbe volunteered to be taken – and to die – in his place. Kolbe died on August 14 by lethal injection.

Similarly, Kaj Munk was a Danish Lutheran pastor and playwright during World War II who publicly opposed the persecution of the Jewish people. He wrote a letter, published on the front page of a Danish newspaper, criticizing Mussolini for his persecution of Jewish people and was arrested and assassinated by the Gestapo in 1944.

Both of these men – Maximilian Kolbe and Kaj Munk – took their faith so seriously that they were willing to die for it. They testified to the presence of Christ in the midst of the Church, especially in the context of oppression and persecution. By no means were they *trying* to be commemorated in the Church; they were simply living out their faith with the most integrity they possibly could. These witnesses help us understand the serious nature of our faith in Jesus. May they enrich our understanding of the message of God's love for us and for all hurting people in the world.

Pastor Emily

THIS & THAT.....



GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Prayerfully consider volunteering 1 1/2 - 2 hours every other month as one of God's Housekeepers.

No mopping floors! This entails straightening Bibles & hymnals in the Sanctuary pew racks, replenishing pencils & pew cards, tidying-up anything left in the racks or under pew cushions. If you have any time you can devote to glorifying God by helping to maintain His House in a respectful manner, please call or email **Linda Wyatt at 704-366-2377 or tiredmom-too@hotmail.com.**



Grace Circle would like anyone who is interested in a circle or looking for a new circle home to join us for dinner on Monday, August 1st . We will

meet at Zio's, 116 Middleton Drive, Charlotte at 6.30pm. We are a diverse group of ladies from all stages of life. Our meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at a member's home, where we socialize and have spiritual discussions.

New Tables and Benches!?



You may have noticed some new seating in our outdoor play area. As part of his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project, John Mobley and members of his Boy Scout Troop 95 built three new picnic tables and seven new benches for St. Mark's. The goal of John's project was to provide new seating options for our Church family, visitors or neighborhood parents enjoying a picnic or watching their children at play. John has completed his project requirements and hopes to earn his Eagle Scout rank in August. **Our thanks to John, and we wish him all the best!**

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REPORT ON 2011 NC SYNOD ASSEMBLY

June 2-4, 2011

This years Assembly was a spirit filled 2 ½ day event that included unique worship experiences coupled with time for learning experiences, conducting the important business of our Synod, special ELCA guest and celebrating pastors who had been serving God for a significant number of years. A brief discussion of these events is presented below:

1. Worship

- June 2 Holy Communion was conducted by Pastor Sara Illerton with the offering going to World Hunger.
- June 3 a Service of Holy Communion was conducted by Rev. Dr. James Thomas with the offering going to the Lutheran church community in Joplin Missouri with a brief message from the Bishop of the affected area.
- June 4 a service of Holy Communion was conducted by Rev. Jack Russell from Living Waters Church in Cherokee. This service included prayers to the 6 directions of life, North, East, South West, up to Heaven and down to the earth and singing in the Cherokee Language. The Offering went to Living Water Church, the only Native American Lutheran church east of the Mississippi.

2. Learning Experiences

- There were over 34 Forums available for the 600 attendees of the Assembly. Time only allowed attendance of up to 3 Forums. Your representatives at the Assembly will bring ideas and information gleaned back to St. Mark's and share them with the applicable committees or Council.

3. Business of the Synod

- Ratified election of Deans and elected Rostered Clergy.
- Heard reports from Synod Council Committees.
- Adopted Compensation Guidelines for rostered leaders.
- Heard reports from Women of the ELCA, Lutheran Men in Mission, Lutheran Family Services and LAS, Lutheran Retirement Ministries and Agape/Kure Beach Ministries.
- Heard reports from Lutheran Youth Organization, Lenoir-Rhyne University and LTSS.
- Adopted a 2012 Synod budget of \$3,208,370 which is down from 2011 budget of \$3,727,700 and substantially down from 2009 budget of \$5,013, 377. Of note the actual budgets for 2009 and 2010 were \$3,942,184 and \$3,023,291 respectively.
- Bishop Bolick reported that the Synod has lost 26 congregations of the 220 congregations that make up our Synod. He doesn't expect many more losses in the future. This and the down economy have greatly impacted the Synod's budget over the past few years.
- The delegates to the Assembly voted on 9 Resolutions as described below.
 1. RC11.01 – Congregation Ratification Process: This asks the NC Synod to adopt an amendment and present it to the ELCA Church Wide Assembly in August 2011 that "any social statement" that would cause changes in the ELCA constitution and any changes in the ordination or ministry standards must, prior to becoming effective, be ratified by 2/3 majority vote of the member congregations eligible to vote. This resolution had some discussion until the question was called and was defeated.
 2. Resolution to encourage Increased Multi-Cultural Ministry: This essentially was to encourage all congregations to put emphasis on multi-cultural ministries and

to consider inviting the African Descent Strategy Team of the NC Synod Multi-Cultural Committee to assist each congregation. This resolution was passed.

- RC 11.03 – A Resolution calling the Church to Speak and Act on Bullying, Harassment and Related Violence: Essentially encourages new partnerships among our congregations in order to support and offer preventive programs addressing bullying, harassment and other related violence, especially with higher risk populations. This resolution passed.
- RC 11.04 – A Memorial Calling the Church to Speak and Act on Bullying, Harassment and Related Violence: Essentially the same as RC 11.03 above and was incorporated in RC11.03.
- RC 11.05 – A Resolution Concerning Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. Essentially asks Bishop Bolick to convey to the Board of Trustees of LTSS an urgent request that they reconsider their recent decision concerning tenure, advocate for diversity on the faculty of LTSS and to have them report on actions and progress. The resolution was withdrawn.
- RC 11.06 – Assembly Meeting Schedule: This requested changing the Assembly’s meeting schedule from Thursday through Saturday to Friday through Sunday beginning in 2012. Discussion ensued and the resolution was passed.
- RC 11.07 – Retired Rostered Leaders: This resolution asked that the retired rostered leaders be exempt from Assembly registration fees beginning in 2012. Discussion ensued and this resolution was tabled until more information could be gathered.
- RC 11.08 – Memorial to Rescind Actions on Ministry Policies: Essentially asks the Assembly to rescind the actions of the 2009 Church Wide Assembly as it pertains to people in publically accountable, lifelong, monogamous, same gender relationships to serve as rostered leaders, and the process of “structured flexibility” that would eliminate the prohibition on rostered service by individuals in such relationships, and all amendments to the policies that resulted from these actions. Before discussions began the question was called and the resolution was defeated.
- RC 11.09 – Thank You Resolution: Thanked all those who worked to make this 24th NC Synod Assembly a success, a time of grace, growth and Thanksgiving. This resolution was passed.

4. Special Guest

Rev. Dr, Wyvetta Bullock, an executive for administration in the office of the ELCA presiding Bishop brought greetings from Bishop Hansen and spoke to the Assembly about church wide matters. In a forum she presented information about LIFT (Living in the Future Together) and further efforts to determine how we as a church make future decisions. Until the research and consensus building on decision making is complete, the ELCA will not bring forth new social statements, except for the nearly completed statement on genetics.

5. Honoring Service Milestones of Pastors

This was an impressive and long list of rostered leaders that were honored for 25, 50, 60 years and more of service to the church. One highlight was 3 pastors celebrating 65 years of service, to which Bishop Bolick stated they were being ordained when he was being born.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Daleure

CHURCH COUNCIL

Got a suggestion? A question? A concern? If so, then contact one of your Church Council officers. They are individuals whom you elected to serve and lead. If you have something you wish to discuss then contact a Council member or the Pastor. Your current Council members, their email addresses and home phone numbers are:

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FINANCE COMMITTEE



St. Mark's Financial Status as of June 30th, 2011

In Support of Our 2011 Ministries/Budget

		Over / (Under)
June YTD Budget	June YTD Actual	June YTD Receipts
\$328,570	\$322,033	(\$6,537)

Revenue recorded in June was strong, enabling the YTD improvement of Actual Revenue vs. Budget Revenue. Reviewing our position at the half-way point of the year, it is encouraging that Revenues are keeping close to Budget as this has not always been the trend in years past. During the summer months collections have historically been lighter than the spring so we will continue to watch the weekly tabulation numbers closely. It is too early to assess whether we will meet the Total Budget of \$665,000 in Revenues in 2011. If that does not happen, we will execute the approved contingency and will not authorize the last \$10,000 of allocations approved in the 2011 Mission Plan (\$5,000 each for Synod and Social Ministry). Council continues to affirm its commitment not to spend more dollars than we collect this year.

Operating Expenses and Mortgage Debt Payments have totaled \$307,943 YTD vs. the Budgeted \$324,762. This is a positive situation. Continued focus by all individuals and groups on only spending what is necessary through the rest of the year is very important. Meeting our Revenue Budget is critical. Spending less than the Expense Budget (which is also \$665,000) is equally critical and would be a significant help in our efforts to build our cash reserve after several years in which we have used more cash than we have collected.

The work being scheduled to replace our boiler and water heater will not impact the Operating Expenses that are funded by the Revenues reported above. Costs that are incurred for the boiler will be covered, first, by the funds collected during the Boiler Appeal and, second, by using available monies in the Property Fund.

You are encouraged to contact Barbara Baker (Treasurer), Angela Micalizzi (Finance Committee Chair) or a member of Council or the Finance Committee with any observations or questions you have about St. Mark's finances or financial statements. Your support, prayers and input help us in our efforts to manage our resources most effectively.

Boiler Appeal Goal was Met!!

On Sunday, May 22nd we kicked off a 2-month Boiler Appeal with the goal of collecting \$40,000 by Sunday, July 17th. The Property Committee was focused on lining up the funding in July so that the work to replace the boiler and water heater would be completed no later than the end of October.

Contributions designated to the Boiler Appeal as of Sunday, July 17th totaled \$41,584. We exceeded our goal by \$1,584!! A total of 158 members/households contributed to the Boiler Appeal. We were all asked to prayerfully consider what we could give without changing the amount we have committed or planned to give to the 2011 Mission Plan. You responded generously. Thanks to all for supporting this effort.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Helen Howard	August 1st
Maxine McKeen	August 1st
Dominick Andujar	August 2nd
Larry Dagenhart, Jr.	August 2nd
Gennie Stevenson	August 2nd
Jennifer Sherwood	August 3rd
David Wyatt	August 3rd
Andrew Dixon	August 4th
Alex Lippert	August 4th
Robert Winot	August 5th
Wayne Hallman	August 6th
Kathleen Talbert	August 6th
Laura Wenzel	August 6th
Carolyn Lindberg	August 7th
Jason White	August 7th
John Simon, Jr.	August 11th
Eileen Dunlap	August 14th
Kimberly Wall	August 14th
Kay Finlon	August 16th
Mary Anna Summer	August 16th
Matt Usinger	August 16th
Carlene Schock	August 17th
Vera Otterstadt	August 19th
John Ramseur	August 21st
F. Bayne Clark	August 22nd
Doug Milheim	August 22nd
Barbara Mobley	August 23rd
Joe Manley	August 24th
Matt Hurley	August 27th
Greg Canute	August 29th
Kim Zimmerman	August 29th
Josh Hankins	August 30th
Trey Cox	August 31st
Cathy Ritchie	August 31st



We celebrate with the following disciples of St. Mark's as they remember their baptism this month:

Stuart Bertland	August 4th
Christa Arnett	August 5th
Carol Marion	August 6th
Cynthia Harms	August 7th
Jack Mobley	August 7th
Rochelle Dagenhart	August 8th
Eugene Park	August 8th
Brooks Stevenson	August 8th
Melissa Parrish	August 11th
Samuel Parrish	August 11th
Keller Schnier	August 12th
Lynda Walters	August 12th
Claire Dixon	August 13th
Van Rooth	August 13th
Elizabeth Thomas	August 13th
Nanette Temple	August 18th
Sam Temple	August 18th
Betsy Wenzel	August 18th
Evan Wenzel	August 18th
Avery Schwartz	August 20th
Rich Kelly	August 26th
Ryan Kelly	August 26th
Eileen Dunlap	August 29th
Roger Bruhwel	August 30th



FRIDAY'S AT 7:00 AM

**AT SHOWMAR'S ON
7TH & PECAN**



"A Friend loves
AT ALL TIMES."
Stephen Ministry
Is Here For You



"I Can't Be a Stephen Minister!" – Part 1

Maybe you haven't said this aloud in a crowd, but you may have spoken it to yourself in the mirror—or at least thought it. Anytime some new challenge shows up, the "I can't" phrase is bound to be nearby.

You may have heard about Stephen Ministry, realized that you do have the gifts, the commitment, and the desire necessary to be a Stephen Minister, and you even may have felt God's tap on your shoulder. But you still aren't sure.

What are some of the reasons you've given yourself for not becoming a Stephen Minister? Here are some likely candidates.

"I'm not qualified to be a Stephen Minister."

What qualifications are necessary to be a Stephen Minister? You need to be a caring person who is willing to learn, grow, and serve. You must be willing and able to maintain confidentiality. You need to make a commitment to training, ministry, and supervision. If you meet those qualifications, your Stephen Leaders will equip you with the rest of what you need: training, support, encouragement, care, and prayers. They will make sure that you will succeed as a Stephen Minister.

"I don't know what to say or do in a ministry situation."

Stephen Ministry training is thorough and practical. It includes listening, dealing with feelings, assertiveness, confidentiality, maintaining boundaries, how to begin and end caring relationships, and how to care for people who are grieving, dying, aging, divorcing, and experiencing other life crises. The goal of training is to prepare Stephen Ministers for whatever they might encounter when working with care receivers. Through reading, lecture, questions and answers, and skill practice you will learn what you need to know to succeed as a Stephen Minister. After being assigned to a care receiver, Stephen Ministers participate in continuing education and Supervision Group sessions. This is where they care for and support one another and sharpen their caregiving skills.

Part 2 will appear in September.

Please help us identify those you think would be good Stephen Ministers with training. Hand them an Application (in the Gathering Place) and encourage them to give prayerful consideration to serving in the church in this way. A class is being organized to begin in the fall.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP 2011

What did the youth do during their week in Martin?

Work Projects—whether they painted houses, performed minor home repair, cleaned up debris, volunteered in community gardens or other projects in the community, the projects the youth worked on served as our way of blessing people in need.

Kids Club—a hands-on program led by the youth offered high-energy games, crafts, skits, songs and interactive lessons all designed to help kids in the Martin area to learn about Jesus.

Where did the youth stay in Martin?

We stayed at an area church, community center, school, slept on classroom floors!

Were other churches with us?

Yes!!! We served with youth and adults from First United Methodist in Newton, Iowa and Vineyard Community Church in Waverly, Iowa



Main Street, Martin, South Dakota



YOUTH

**Dominic Andujar
Anna Chapman
Katy Chapman
Matthew Chapman
Andrew Dixon
Noah Dixon
Nick Howarth
Andrew Kasting
Chris Lambert
Claire Lippert
Emily Lower
CJ Miles
Garlan Miles
Kat Miles
John Mobley
Suzanna Payne
Sydney Payne
Erica Silvestri
Ben Stephens
Charles Timm
Clayton Wall
Micalyne Zimmerman**

CHAPERONES:

**Brandi Dotson
Pastor Peter
Carol Lippert
Larry Lippert
Keller Schnier
Pastor Emily**

...stay tuned for the August ReMarks for pictures...etc.!!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT.....

Taking the long way

It's human nature to look for shortcuts. We want the quickest, surest route to our destination. Delays, detours and dead ends are frustrating and discouraging.

Consider this: "When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was nearer God led the people by the roundabout way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea" (Exodus 13:17-18, NRSV).

The Red Sea looked like a fatal wrong turn, but God was protecting the Israelites. He had a plan in place to lead them to the Promised Land.

When God seems to prefer delays and detours in your life, keep in mind that the long way just might be better.

Save me a pew

The world's largest Protestant Christian congregation is Yoido Full Gospel Church in Seoul, Korea. Since its founding in 1958, the church has grown exponentially. By 1983, seven Sunday services weren't enough to accommodate all the worshipers, so satellite churches were established.

The main church, located directly across from Korea's National Assembly, can seat 26,000. But membership is so large that people are told which week of the month they can attend worship. What an incredible witness in a country where only about 30 percent of the citizens are Christians!

What would it take for our church to have a similar "problem"? And what can you do about it?



2011 Charlotte Chapter American Guild of Organists Summer Recital Series

All recitals are at 7:00 unless otherwise noted.

August 7

Adam Ward
Byrnes Auditorium, Winthrop University
Rock Hill, SC 29733

August 14

Michael Lehtinen
Covenant Presbyterian Church
1000 E. Morehead St., Charlotte, NC
28204

August 21

Matthew Brown
Myers Park Baptist Church
1900 Queens Rd., Charlotte, NC 28207

August 28

Les Ackerman
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
1001 Queens Rd., Charlotte, NC 28207

SOCIAL MINISTRY



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED for A CHILD'S PLACE!!

Stores have been displaying school supplies and eager children and their parents have been filling their shopping carts with all the necessities to start school. For most of us at St. Mark's there is little hardship in meeting our child's needs for school. **But what about the children of the homeless families?**

A CHILD'S PLACE provides liaisons to homeless children in 10 Mecklenburg county elementary schools located in poverty areas, as well as 2 social workers in the office that help in any school where needed. They supervise attendance, clothing needs, school supplies, breakfasts and lunches, and any medical, dental or vision needs. Because of limited funds, only several hundred of the several thousand homeless children can be helped so they desperately need any help we can offer. Until Sunday August 21st we will be collecting NEW school supplies to be delivered to A CHILD'S PLACE for distribution to as many homeless children as possible. Here is a list of suggested items:

- markers
- crayons
- rulers
- Mead composition books
- folders
- protractors
- pocket dictionaries
- book bags
- combination locks for lockers
- hand sanitizers
- pencil cases
- 1" 3-ring binders
- notebook paper
- scissors
- erasers
- glue sticks
- pens & pencils
- graph paper
- liquid soap
- pocket facial tissues





Let's help erase the impact of homelessness on children and their education and give them a small sense of normalcy at school.

A THANK YOU FROM **URBAN MINISTRY CENTER**

Thank you, Room in the Inn!

The Urban Ministry Center would like to thank the record 128 congregations, colleges and YMCA sites that participated in **Room in the Inn**, our winter shelter program for homeless people. Because of you, warm hospitality and a total of 18,184 beds were extended to 1,585 different men, women and children here in Mecklenburg County. While the simple goal of the program is to keep folks from freezing to death on cold nights, the greater goal is to provide a more personal relationship to homeless people, at least for a night, and a deeper understanding of the depth and complexity of the issue. Thank you for being our partners in this life-saving, life-changing ministry. For more information, visit our website: www.urbanministrycenter.org

AUGUST 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<p>1 Executive Council Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Crystal Clear Recovery 7:30 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>2 Centering Prayer 12:00 PM Parlor</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	3	4	<p>5  Men's Breakfast 7:00 AM Showmars, 7th & Pecan</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	6
<p>7 10:00 AM Worship</p> <p>8:45 AM—Sunday School</p>	<p>8 Church Council Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Crystal Clear Recovery 7:30 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>9 Centering Prayer 12:00 PM Parlor</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	10 --Love Circle 10:00 AM	11	<p>12  Men's Breakfast 7:00 AM Showmars, 7th & Pecan</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	13
<p>14 10:00 AM Worship</p> <p>8:45 AM—Sunday School</p>	15	<p>16 Centering Prayer 12:00 PM Parlor</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	17	18	<p>19  Men's Breakfast 7:00am Showmars, 7th & Pecan</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	20
<p>21 10:00 AM Worship</p> <p>8:45 AM—Sunday School</p>	22	<p>23 Centering Prayer 12:00 PM Parlor</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	24	25	<p>26  Men's Breakfast 7:00am Showmars, 7th & Pecan</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	27
<p>28 10:00 AM Worship</p> <p>8:45 AM—Sunday School</p> <p>American Guild of Organists Summer Recital—Les Ackerman 7:00PM</p>	29	<p>30 Centering Prayer 12:00 PM Parlor</p> <p>7:00 PM AA Meeting</p>	31			



AUGUST SERVICE BLOCKS ST. MARK'S MEMBERS SERVING THIS MONTH

<p>USHERS: <u>August 7th & 14th</u> Doug Milheim, Bill Daleure, Marc Ginns, Ashley Ginns, Rich Rehn, Mike Mobley</p>	<p>USHERS: <u>August 21st & 28th</u> Harry Kendrick, Ken Williams, Larry Dagenhart, Jr., Dave Goodson, Howard Groetzinger, Alan Harms, Dale Hopp, Vicki Holtz-Longshaw</p>
<p>ACOLYTES/CRUCIFERS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINT</p>	
<p>CHILDREN'S CHURCH: <u>August 7th:</u> Brandi Dotson <u>August 14th:</u> Beth Canute <u>August 21st:</u> Dave & Eileen Dunlap <u>August 28th:</u> Bill & Carolyn Usinger</p>	
<p>GREETERS: <u>August 7th:</u> Jimmy & Betty Basinger, Sybille Brown, Joyce Campbell, Richard & Millie Cansler <u>August 14th:</u> Greg, Beth & Kelly Canute, Bill & Janet Colyer, Gene & Marie Anne Daniels,</p>	<p>GREETERS CON'T.: <u>August 21st:</u> Gretchen Dodge, James & Sarah East, Sandra & Lowell Engelhard, Janet Evans <u>August 28th:</u> Kay Finlon, Barry & Rachel Fulp, Herb & Lee George</p>
<p>LECTORS: <u>August 7th:</u> Karen Feezor <u>August 14th:</u> Ian Hartner <u>August 21st:</u> Sue Schwartz <u>August 28th:</u> Carol Goodall</p>	<p>TABULATORS: <u>August 7th & 14th:</u> Gene Daniels, Jim Metze, Sybille Brown, Rod Peck <u>August 21st:</u> Karen & Kevin Feezor, Linda Niedermeier <u>August 28th:</u> Eric Timm, Tim Berly, Linda Niedermeier</p>
<p>PRAYER ASSISTANTS: <u>August 7th:</u> Virginia Stackel <u>August 14th:</u> Roger Kuznia <u>August 21st:</u> Mike Mobley <u>August 28th:</u> Anne Conner</p>	<p>SOUND SYSTEM: <u>August 7th:</u> Ernie Marion <u>August 14th:</u> Tom Sehorn <u>August 21st:</u> Neil Dixon <u>August 28th:</u> Richard Fisher</p>
<p>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: <u>August 7th:</u> Gail Chapman, Larry Lippert, Will Miles, Larry Witham <u>August 14th:</u> Eric Timm, Beverly Timm, Vicki Holtz-Longshaw, Michael Doyne</p>	<p>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: <u>August 21st:</u> Lowell Engelhard, Virginia Stackel, Richard Fisher, Linda Carter <u>August 28th:</u> Larry Dagenhart, Kevin Feezor, John Simon, Joel Ritchie</p>

MEMORIAL AND HONOR GIFTS

There are many ways to offer gifts in memory of our brothers and sisters in Christ who are now part of the Church triumphant, and in honor of those for whose lives with us now we are grateful. Following is a list of such gifts received as of July 22, 2011

In Memory of Helen Black (Margaret Chisholm's Daughter)

Joyce Campbell
Care & Share Circle
Karen & John Covington
Bill & Linda Daleure
Sarah & Jim East
Barry & Rachel Fulp
Evelyn Gerdes

Fund Designation

Music Fund
Music Fund
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In Honor of Rochelle Dagenhart's Birthday

Karen & John Covington

Communion Supplies

In Honor of Marianna Johnson

Jeanne Donohoe

Homeless Fund

In Honor of Mary Lou & J.B. Kiser

Betty & John Lentz

Pride & Joy



The family of Alice Blackwelder is planning a brief Memorial service as it places in the Columbarium the interred and cremated remains of son and brother, Samuel Stuart, who was buried in 1976.

The family cordially invites any friends who have fond remembrances of him to join them for joyful remembrances as he is returned to the church that he loved and placed near his father in St. Mark's Columbarium, on Thursday, August 4th at 11:00 AM.

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