

# **The Lamplighter**

## ***of St. Luke's Lutheran Church***

### **October 2011**

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot” Matthew 5:13

This month marks my two year anniversary sharing in ministry with you here at Saint Luke's. I have come to love this church and the ways we join together in ministry. Lately I have been praying about a biblical metaphor that describes the way we work together for the Kingdom of God. After prayer I believe that the above passage from Matthew begins to shed light on our ministry together.

Salt has always been a valuable resource. Our bodies need salt to live, we use it to cook and preserve food, and it has been used as a medicine for generations. Without salt we would not be able live.

Of course we can not live on only salt. In Jesus day conquering armies would dump salt on fields so that crops would not grow. I have been told by my health conscious wife that excessive salt intake is as bad for you as smoking or drinking. (At which point I tell her I should probably just start smoking.)

What does this mean for ministry at Saint Luke's? I believe that it means that the ministry that we perform in this community and in the world through our gifts and offerings brings the richness of life in God to people who have yet to walk through these doors. We are blessed by this community and through us God reaches out farther and engages in a world in need of healing and reconciliation.

I look forward seeing how God uses us as in the years to come.

God Bless,

*Pastor Jason Schafer*

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### Acolytes

Oct 02 Anabel Barnett & Anna Craven  
Oct 09 Rachel Turner & Dillon Morris  
Oct 16 Patrick Craven & Ivey Horne  
Oct 23 Marshall Horne & Grant Mays  
Oct 30 Justin Lever & Aubrey Richardson

### Nursery Attendants

Oct 02 Tracy Fulmer & Dana Green  
Oct 09 Sara Eargle & Christie Gardner  
Oct 16 Deann McManus & Michelle Long  
Oct 23 Kelly Hawkins & Susan Lake  
Oct 30 Angela Hawkins & Megan Hawkins

### Greeters

Oct 02 Dean & Cindy Bedenbaugh  
Oct 09 Rose Brandt & Mary Beth Richardson  
Oct 16 Brenda Clapp & Dianne Morris  
Oct 23 Enoch Boozer & Betty Shealy  
Oct 30 Joe Boozer & Linda Sheppard

### Closing the Church

Oct 02 Ronald Boozer  
Oct 09 George Hawkins  
Oct 16 Jeffery Pugh  
Oct 23 Steven Lake  
Oct 30 Dean Bedenbaugh

Jake Boozer\*  
Patty Boozer  
Gracie Fletcher\*  
Jackie Franklin\*  
Steve Frick\*  
Pastor John Griffith\*  
Chase Hamm\*  
Family of Jenell Stockman King  
Jerry Koon  
Virginia "Billie" Lindler\*  
Narves Lindler  
Family of Henry Bobbye Meetze  
Earle Merchant

### Crucifer

Oct 02 Adam Lester  
Oct 09 Conrad Minick  
Oct 16 Alexis Sodlink  
Oct 23 Matthew Hawkins  
Oct 30 Duncan Crowell

### Altar Flowers

Oct 02 Mickey & Tracy Fulmer  
Oct 09 Doliene Bedenbaugh, Vicki Boozer,  
Kayla Boozer & Faye Shealy  
Oct 16 Harriett Connelly & Wanda Crowell  
Oct 23 Byron & Igrid Carr  
Oct 30 Sue Chapman & Carla Livingston

### Lectors

Oct 02 Bobby Morris  
Oct 09 Michelle Long  
Oct 16 Penny Ballantyne  
Oct 23 David Eargle  
Oct 30 Youth Sunday

### ***SERVING GOD THROUGH SERVING OTHERS***

Randall Minick  
Dianne Morris  
Floyd Morris  
Brady Nussman\*  
Lena Patterson\*  
Sammy Rawls\*  
Junior Shealy  
Susan C. Suber\*  
Essie Suit  
Juanita Thomasson\*  
Robert Turner\*  
Pastor John Weaver\*  
*\*Family/Friends*

### **Nursing Home**

Mary Edith Bedenbaugh (Generations) Hattie Boozer (Springfield Place) Dezaree Morris (White Oak Manor)  
Carol Brandt (Saluda Nursing Center) Jacob Bundrick (Lowman Home)  
Martha Ann Cook (Lowman Home) Ozie Krell (White Oak Manor)

All care givers and all others who have experienced pain, disappointment, anger, and grief in this congregation, St. Luke's, and elsewhere.

- Our Prayers are with you all



Oct 2. Danielle Lester, Pat Arehart  
Oct 5. Tanner Burdette  
Oct 6. Robert Beebe  
Oct 7. Joe Boozer  
Oct 9. Russell Peel, Priscilla Hunter, Shawn Hunter  
Oct 10. Faye Shealy, Jennifer T. Slice  
Oct 12. Adam Lester, Dee Dee Peel  
Oct 13. Allana Eargle  
Oct 15. Peggy Killian, Audrey Kunkle, Amy Baker  
Oct 16. Jeffery Lever, MacKenzie Crotwell  
Oct 17. Charlene Pitts, Tommy Nichols  
Oct 18. Savannah Lever, Catherline T. Amick  
Oct 19. Elise Mills, Justin Cole Lever, Byron Carr  
Oct 20. Karen Steele  
Oct 21. David Eargle, Chase Minick  
Oct 22. Calen McManus  
Oct 24. Andrew Connelly  
Oct 27. Chloe Minick, Cagney Minick  
Oct 28. Phillip Trotter II, Laurie Lominack  
Oct 29. Wayne Sheppard, Gordon Minick, Grant Mays  
Oct 31. Katrina Minick



Oct 8. Jody & Dana Green  
Oct 9. George & Faye Hawkins  
Oct 17. Dale & Linda Bratton  
Oct 20. Byron & Ingrid Carr

*Happy Birthday and Anniversary Everyone!*



**Many, many thanks to all who contributed: those who stayed for the Salad for Santa luncheon, and the committee who planned and arranged the day's activities. The committee consisted of Penny Ballantyne, Caroline Brandt, Pat Arehart, Rose Brandt, Peggy Boozer and Catherine Boozer. As a church family, we collected \$1000.00 to send to Coastal Retreat Center for two pre-lit Christmas trees, decorations and whatever else is needed. These will be given in memory of Pastor Delano Ricard. It is hoped that everyone can go to Isle of Palms to see all or the improvements that have been make.**

**Dear Church Family,**

**Thank you for your calls, visits, cards and prayers at the lose of my mother Jeanette Minick. I realized how blessed I am to be a member of such a caring church family at St. Luke's. Please keep me and my family in your prayers as we continue to move forward at this very difficult time in our lives. Again thank you and may the Lord bless and keep each and every one of you.**

**—Cynthia M. Bedenbaugh**



**Gina Merchant Mays and Matthew Todd Diaz were married on July 18 in Hawaii. They are making their home in Prosperity. Congratulations to them and to Grant and Carter Mays.**

**We Express Christian Sympathy to the following:**

**Family of D. Eugene "Dick" Fletcher, Jr. (October 19, 1926-September 15, 2011)**

**Family of Katherine "Kat" Dawkins (January 25, 1928-September 12, 2011)**

**Family of Ann Bedenbaugh (May 27, 1935-September 5, 2011)**

**Family of Janette Connelly Minick (August 1, 1927- September 1, 2011)**

# Homecoming and Golden Age

**Sunday, October 16**

You are cordially invited to join us Sunday, Oct. 16th as we celebrate Homecoming here at St.Luke's! Pastor Earl Schafer will be delivering the message. This will also be a double treat as we honor our members who have reached that "Golden Age".

A covered dish lunch will follow the service, so please bring a well-filled picnic basket.

We look forward to honoring our Golden Agers and welcoming back old friends!

*We'll see you there!*

*Anyone who has turned 70 since last year, please contact the church office or Becky Kinard @ 321-0852. Sign-up sheets for volunteers to help with the covered dish dinner are available.*



Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, October 25** and plan to attend the **Senior Adult Day at Camp Kinard**. **"The Glory of God's Creation"** is the them of the event. Pastor Stephen Mims from Summer Memorial, will be leading a discussion of Psalm 8 and Dr. Charles Horn, a professor of Biology at Newberry College, will discuss nature and how important it is to us. **Cost for the day's activities is \$20.00 per person.**

In addition to the educational part of the program, there will a hayride, crafts and making s'mores around a camp fire.

If you plan to attend and did not get a brochure, contact Catherine. She will provide a registration form and/or register for you. This must be

## *Country Fried Steak*

Heads up! St. Luke's will be having a Country Fried Steak supper on Saturday, November 19. It will be an eat-in or take-out. Your help is needed to purchase tickets, to sell ticket, to help cook, to help serve, and to help clean-up. Goal is to sell 1,000 tickets. Tickets will be available you mid-October.

In conjunction with the supper there will also be a Bake Sale. Plan to bake cakes, pies, cookies, candies and/or make jams, jellies, preserves, relishes, etc. If you have item left in your garden, these also will sell.

There will also be a display of Craft Bazaar items for sale.

All monies realized will be applied to our debt. Let's see if we can't eradicate this debt!

Contact Joyce (364-3646) or Cheryl (364-3442) and volunteer today.

We are planning to beautify the front of the church with new landscape. Do you have a suggestion or two for the plan? If so, **please submit your idea(s) to Donna (stop in the office, call 364-4093 or email [secretary@stlukesprosperity.com](mailto:secretary@stlukesprosperity.com)) or place your suggestions in the suggestion box in the narthex.** We would love to have your ideas.

We are also looking for **suggestions for our next project** when the loan for the Fellowship Hall is paid off. If you have an idea for our next project, please let us know by completing the short forms in the narthex.



Sunday School attendance has been very low this summer! Let's see if we can't do better this quarter. The Christian Education Committee realized there are a many other things that can be done on Sunday. And sometimes we feel a need to sleep in. But what if God used these excuses?

During the June, July and August Sunday School Quarter in 2011 these persons had perfect attendance: Virginia Cannon, Joe Kunkle, Linda Kunkle, Sandra Lominack, Charles Shealy, Cheryl Lucas, Amber Worthy, Becky Kinard, John V and Beck Pugh. Not a single child! Parents where are you? What did you promise at your child's baptism?

Those missing only one Sunday were: Stanley Lominack, Jeanette Vaughn, Nancy Singley, Shelvie Shealy Betty Connelly, Carolyn Shealy, Enoch Boozer and Pastor Schafer.

Wilfred and Betty Dominick, Rose Brandt, Catherine Boozer, Faye Shealy, Linda Sheppard, Sarah Eargle, Andrew Green, Dena Green, David Eargle, Patrick Craven, Grant Mays, Ronald Boozer, Joe and Peggy Boozer missed only two Sundays.

For the September-October-November Sunday School quarter let's make these lists longer.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Fellowship Hall reserved
2 Communion Choir Practice 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Occasional Choir 6:00 PM	3 Stoney Hill Center 7:30 PM	4 Essie Hawkins Circle 10AM Birthday Party at J.F. Hawkins Nursing Home 2:30 PM Committee of 100 at Grace 7 PM Stoney Hill Center Mtg. 7:30PM	5 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45AM-1:00PM Choir Practice 7 PM	6 SCLRC Golf Classic at Ponderosa Country Club in Leesville 1:00PM  Bulletin Info due by 10AM	7 Turkey Stew at Stoney Hill Center pick up 4:00-7:00 PM	8
9 Choir Practice 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Occasional Choir 5:30 PM Fellowship Hall reserved 1:00-3:00 PM Congregational Council 7:00 PM	10 Widow's Support Group 10:00 AM LMM 7:30PM Thomas Suber Circle 7:30PM	11 New Horizons trip to The Nut House leave church @ 9:30 AM Faye Hilton Roof Circle 7:00 PM	12 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45AM-1:00PM  Choir Practice 7 PM	13 Bulletin Info due by 10AM	14 Fellowship Hall and Statuary reserved	15 Fellowship Hall and Statuary reserved
16 Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM <b>Homecoming/ Golden Age</b> Blood Drive 1:30-5:30 PM	17	18	19 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45AM-1:00PM Choir Practice 7 PM Barbara Richardson Circle 7 PM	20 Bulletin Info due 10AM Newberry Co Chapter Thrivent Financial for Lutheran at Stoney Hill School at 7:00 PM	21	22 Newberry college Singers Reunion & Concert Steak Supper on Nov 5 tickets now available
23 Choir Practice 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM <b>Congregational meeting</b> Worship Service 11:00 AM Occasional Choir 6:00 PM  30 Worship Service 11:00 AM	24 Widow Support meeting 10AM  31	25 Senior Adults Day at Camp Kinard Leave church at 8:45 AM	26 Brown Bag Bible Study 11:45AM-1:00PM Choir Practice 7PM November Newsletter information is due	27	28 LMM Retreat "One Year to Live" at Camp Kinard	29 LMM Retreat "One Year to Live" at Camp Kinard



**Christmas Program** —The choir is responsible for the Christmas program this year. We need everyone to help. **Practice has begun on Wednesday nights. There will be practices Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Please consider sharing your talents to help with the program.** Thank you.

**The Occasional Choir will practice at 6:00 p.m. on October 2, 5:30 p.m. on October 9 and 6:00 p.m. October 23.** If you have any questions, please contact Harriett Connelly.

St. Luke's will be going to **J.F. Hawkin's Nursing Home on Tuesday, October 4** to help residents **celebrate their birthdays.** The party begins at **2:30 p.m.** There will be music by "**Alan and Friends**" and of course, birthday cake and drinks. You're invited to come out and help us with this celebration.

**The South Carolina Lutheran Retreat Centers will be hosting our 10th Annual Golf Classic benefit tournament on October 6, 2011,** in support of their ministries. The event will take place at the **Ponderosa Country Club in Leesville, SC,** followed by a delicious BBQ dinner, awards and door prizes at Camp Kinard. A brochure giving the details and registration forms can be found on the rack in the narthex.



10th Annual  
Golf Classic

**Stoney Hill Center's Annual Turkey Stew will be Friday, October 7 from 4:00 -7:00 p.m. Cost is \$6.00 per quart. Deadline to place orders with any center member is Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. You may pick up stew on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> between 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.**



Stoney Hill Center  
Turkey Stew

**BOSTON BUTTS** - Bobby and Wade Morris will be cooking 90 Boston butts on **Saturday, October 15** to benefit the Fellowship Hall debt. The cost will be **\$6.50 per pound with pick-up at the church from 6-7 PM.** Please call **Bobby (364-2206) or Cheryl Lucas (364-3442)** to place your order. This is a limited number of butts and are available on a first-called, first served basis.



**The Congregational Council will meet October 9 at 7:00 pm**

**Blood Collection Drive will be Sunday, Oct. 16 from 1:30-5:30 p.m. For appointment, contact Fran Merchant.**

**The budget proposal meeting will meet Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m.** to address any concerns or questions. It is recommended to review the proposed budget before the meeting. Copies of the budget will be available in the narthex and in the October newsletter.

**The Newberry chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans** will have its annual Fall gathering and elections on **October 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stoney Hill Community Center. Meal will be served at 7:00**, with business meeting immediately following. **Please contact Carolyn Torrence at 945-7620 or cltorr803@att.net, or Janice Havird at 276-8895 no later than October 14th**, so that we prepare the proper amount of food. The evening's collection and/or donations of non-perishable food items will be designated for one of the local charities.

In addition to the above meeting, the **Chapter Board Leadership** will meet on **November 29 at Bethlehem, Pomaria at 7:00 p.m.** Chapter members are invited to attend this meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Also, eligible **Thrivent benefit members** will be able to help direct funds all year long to thousands of Lutheran nonprofit organizations like schools, camps, colleges, or even your Lutheran congregation. Eligible members will receive a letter that provides details on how to participate. Participation is simple and easy and you'll be able to direct your Choice Dollars in a way that's convenient for you. **Visit [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836) for more information.**



New Horizons members will be making a trip to **The Nut House** on **Tuesday, October 11**. We will meet at the church at 9:15 a.m. and travel to Ridge Spring, SC. Upon arrival we will hear a brief history of the are and tour The Nut House. There's a gift shop where nuts, pickles, preserves, etc. can be purchased. **Lunch will be at Juniper. Notify Rose (364-2973) or Catherine (364-2870) by October 6 if you plan to go.** We need to make lunch reservation.



**It's once again time to start gathering items for Manna House.** Be sure to check expiration dates on foods and donate only those nonperishable foods that are current. **Items that can be used include:** canned fruits, canned meats, and condiments such as ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise and peanut butter. Also boxed items such as cereals, grits, oatmeal, and cream of wheat will be accepted. Packaged sugars, flour, cornmeal and corn bread and muffin mixes are needed. Toilet paper, paper towels, diapers, clothes and dish detergents are appreciated. Be creative and bring any food, paper or cleaning product that you feel needy people can use. **St. Luke's WELCA** will once again **be collecting food and other items for Manna House.** Containers have been placed at the church exits for your gifts. **These will be out until October 30.** If you want to make a monetary gift, make checks payable to "Manna House". Many of our friends are out of work or for other reasons are in need. Give as you are able and as you've been blessed.

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## Congregational Meeting



## There will be a Congregational Meeting on October 23th before church

Nominations for Congregational Council are taking place the weeks of Oct 9-16. Voting to occur Oct. 23 during the Congregational meeting. Look for ballot sheets in next week's bulletin and in the narthex. When available, please place your nomination in the box in the narthex no later than October 16th.

The Newberry College Singers Reunion and Concert will be held October 22, 2011. This reunion will be part of the homecoming festivities. We are planning several regional rehearsals in the September time frame as well as one at the College. Please email **Jim Ingram** at [jwingram@gmail.com](mailto:jwingram@gmail.com) or call **(803) 359-6352** with your contact information and the part you will be singing.

**Needs a Home—Home Health Care Equipment.** Contact **Harriett Kesler**, if interested, at **276-6617** or **276-4870**.

Grace Lutheran Church is sponsoring its 3rd Annual Elaine & Curtis "Hump" Shealy **Growing in God's Grace Golf Tournament** on **Monday, Nov. 7** at the Mid-Carolina Club (captain's choice). For registration or hole sponsorships, please call 364-3331 by Oct. 31. All proceeds to benefit the Growing in God's Grace building/ministry fund.

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**Yearly Budget Comparison**

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 Year Ending  
 December 2011

		Year Ending December 2012	Year Ending December 2011
EXPENSES	5000		
WORLD MISSION-BENEVOLENCE	5010		
SC Synod Only Benevol	5011	\$4,000.00	\$5,172.00
Apportioned	5012	20,000.00	25,860.00
Social Benevolence	5013	500.00	500.00
Subtotal World Mission-benevolence	5010	24,500.00	31,532.00
PARISH MISSION-CURRENT	5020		
PASTORAL MINISTRY	5021		
Pastor's Salary	5022	44,037.00	42,963.00
Assisting Pastor	5023	3,250.00	13,000.00
Youth Director	5024		5,000.00
Pastor's Social Security	5025	9,026.00	9,291.00
Pension, Insurance	5026	24,391.00	24,766.00
Continuing Education	5027	800.00	1,000.00
Auto & Professional Exp	5028	10,000.00	10,000.00
Utilities in Parsonage	5029	4,000.00	4,000.00
Pastoral & Pulpit Supply	5030	700.00	300.00
Housing Equity	5031	2,688.00	2,688.00
Ministries Coordinator	5032	14,750.00	
Subtotal Pastoral Ministry	5021	113,642.00	113,008.00
Programs and Worship	5100		
Programs	5110		
Stewardship	5111	500.00	500.00
Evangelism	5112	750.00	750.00
Social Ministry	5113	200.00	200.00
Youth Activities	5114	2,500.00	2,500.00
Day Camp	5116	2,250.00	2,250.00
Campfirmation	5117	1,000.00	1,000.00
Subtotal Programs	5110	7,200.00	7,200.00
Worship			
Altar/Flower/Funeral Sup	5201	1,000.00	1,200.00
Choir/Music Supplies	5202	400.00	400.00
Organist Supply	5203		250.00

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Children's Ch./ Kids Club	5203	750.00	1,000.00
VBS Supplies	5205	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fellowship/Meals Supplies	5206	500.00	500.00
Certificates & Supplies	5207	500.00	500.00
Devotional Materials	5208	900.00	650.00
Subtotal Worship	5200	5,500.00	6,000.00
Subtotal Programs and Worship	5100	12,750.00	13,200.00
Administration	5300		
Office Manager's Salary	5301	15,925.00	15,925.00
Treasurer's Salary	5302	7,800.00	7,800.00
Social Security	5303	1,218.00	1,218.00
Custodian's Fee	5304	9,100.00	9,100.00
Continuing Education	5305	100.00	100.00
Utilities for Church	5306	13,500.00	13,500.00
Telephone for Church	5307	2,500.00	2,500.00
Church/Parsonage-R&M	5308	4,500.00	3,000.00
Bus Maintenance & Ins	5309	1,800.00	1,800.00
Elevator Maintenance	5310	1,425.00	1,300.00
Printer Lease & Taxes	5311	4,000.00	2,700.00
Lawn Care	5312	2,820.00	2,820.00
Insurance-Church/Parsng	5313	13,000.00	12,871.00
Office Supplies	5314	4,500.00	5,500.00
Postage	5315	1,000.00	2,000.00
Copyright License	5316	215.00	215.00
Kitchen/Janitorial Sup	5317	1,500.00	1,500.00
Conventions & Meeting	5318	200.00	150.00
Personnel Testing/Checks	5319	100.00	100.00
Signage	5321		2,000.00
Miscellaneous	5330	500.00	500.00
Subtotal Administration	5300	85,703.00	86,599.00
Subtotal Parish Mission –current	5020	212,095.00	212,807.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>236,595.00</b>	<b>244,339.00</b>

**Financial Report  
General Funds  
August 2011**

<b>Budget Needed to Date</b> (if 1/12 of budget spent each month)	<b>\$162,892.66</b>	
<b>Budget Received to Date</b>	<b>\$134,076.88</b>	Doesn't include YTD OEO receipts of \$20,340.00
<b>Disbursed</b>	<b>\$129,667.50</b>	Doesn't include YTD OEO disbursements of \$13,613.07
<b>Balance General Fund 12/31/2010</b>	<b>\$35,844.88</b>	
<b>Balance General Fund 08/31/2011</b>	<b>\$40,254.26</b>	
<b>Fellowship Hall Loan</b> Balance as of 09/30/2011	<b>\$39,842.08</b>	

**Worship Trends**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>General Fund Operating</u>	<u>Operating Expense Only</u>
Sept 04: 64 (early)+ 123	<b>\$2,856.00</b>	<b>\$620.00</b>
Sept 11: 181	<b>\$4190.00</b>	<b>\$520.00</b>
Sept 18: 193	<b>\$3561.25</b>	<b>\$665.00</b>
Sept 25: 237	<b>\$3390.00</b>	<b>\$460.00</b>
<b>Sept 1st Sunday Offering</b>		<b>\$2087.50</b>
<b>Memorials received on first Sunday</b>		<b>\$45.00</b>

*For simplicity for our volunteer counters and our treasurer, please do not combine donations to multiple funds (i.e. General Fund and Fellowship Hall) on the same check. Write a separate check for each fund and remember to include your offering number on each check as they get separated in processing. We are grateful for your ongoing support!*