

The Lamplighter

of Saint Luke's Lutheran Church
Prosperity, South Carolina

October 2009

*Welcome to Pastor Jason and Mitzie Schafer
and their children as they begin their
ministry here at St. Luke's.*

Note From Interim Pastor

*Thanks for all your wonderful support and help
during my time as your Interim Pastor. I was
certainly surprised at the Service last Sunday.
Thank you for the gift, it was really a surprise.
Again, my thanks for allowing me to serve as your
Interim Pastor. It has been a joyous experience
for me to be with you. You will always be in my
thoughts and prayers. – Pastor Smith*

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News / Info / Announcements / Notices

Senior Adult Day Scheduled: Mark your calendar for Tuesday, October 27th and plan to attend the "Senior Adult Day" at Camp Kinard. Theme for the program is "Caring for Creation." Speakers will include the Rev. David Donges, retired Bishop of the S. C. Synod and Megan Weidner, Lexington County Recycling Coordinator. Lunch will be served and there will be camp crafts. The day will end with a hayride and a camp tradition – S'mores. If you received a brochure, complete it and return it with your \$20 to cover the day's activities. Or you can notify Catherine (364-2870) prior to October 18 and she will register the group from St. Luke's. Plans are to leave the church at 9:15 a.m.

You are invited to a Country Fried Steak Supper (eat-in or take-out) on Saturday, October 24th, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in Saint Luke's Fellowship Hall to reduce our debt. Cost is \$7.50 per plate. Yes, we are planning another Country Fried Steak Supper. The menu will consist of steak, rice, gravy, slaw, pickle, and bread. Keep October 24th open so you can help with this fund raiser. Plan to sell tickets (which will be available on Sunday, October 4th), help cook, help serve, and/or help clean up. A **Bake Sale** will also be held. We'll need cakes, pies, cookies, and candies. Also pickle, relishes preserves, jellies, jams and conserves are in demand. If you have produce from a fall garden this will also be accepted. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

LMM Fall Family Night Out is Thursday, October 8th at the Harbor Inn. A group will gather at the church to leave at 6:45pm. Please advise George Hawkins by October 4th if you plan to attend.

Camp Kinard - Fun Fall Fest for Children is an hour long program created by Camp Kinard to give children in school and church programs an outdoor field trip adventure where they can enjoy a festive fall and Christian environment. This adventure includes a tractor pulled hayride, pumpkin patch, snack and playground time. Don't be afraid, our friendly staff will never wear scary costumes. We welcome preschools, Sunday schools, class groups and more! The cost is only \$5 per child (min 10), teachers and chaperones are free. Call Camp Kinard at 803-532-2235 to schedule a time for your group. Learn more at www.sclrc.com/funfallfest

Drop in to meet Pastor Schafer on October 11th from 3:00 to 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Congratulations to Randy and Ashley Kitchens on the birth of a son. Tyler Reuben entered this world last Friday, September 25. Mother, son and Father are all doing o.k. Welcome to the world little pilgrim.

Blood Connection Drive on October 18th from 2pm - 5:30pm at Church. See Fran Merchant in front of Church after service to sign up.

Aluminum Can Collections for August totaled 239 lbs. At 53¢/lb. this yielded \$126.67. Plus another \$2.43 for 1 lb. of copper. Thank you all for your effort!

New Horizons

The New Horizons will travel to Pelger on October 21 for a tour of the Happy Cow Creamery. This will include a trolley ride, creamery, plus other things. Cost will be \$5.00. We will leave the church at 9:15. Call Betty at 364-3607 or Catherine at 364-2870 for reservations.

Prayer List

Members: Janice Lake, Betty Connelly, Mary Edith Bedenbaugh, Joe Usry, Julia Turner, Tamela Cohen, Edgar Jones, Beverly Bowers, Carolyn Harmon.

Family and Friends: Nathaline Riddle, Jan Tibboles, Bobbie Alan Oxner, Chase Hamm, DJ Bedenbaugh, Harry Evan, Mary Beck, Brady Nussman, Frank Meyer, Bruce Payne, Wyman Metts, Ronda Cannon, Helen Smith, H.C. "Doc" Richardson, Matt Paxton (Deann McManus' cousin), Pauline Owings (Beth Kunkle's Grandmother), Jessica Morris (needs heart transplant), Leah & Anna Long (Aunt of Belton Dennis), Ruth Boozer (Mary Beth Richardson's Grandmother), Clarence Vanderford (April Peel's Grandfather) Lurleen Eargle (David Eargle's grandmother), Vera Loving (Kelly Hawkins Grandmother), Carl Matthews (Kidney Cancer).

Nursing Home:

Carol Brandt (Saluda Nursing Center), Ira Bedenbaugh (White Oak Manor), Mamie Lou Bedenbaugh (White Oak Manor), Lille Belle Minick (White Oak Manor), Dezaree Morris (White Oak Manor), Ruby Nichols (White Oak Manor), Martha Ann Cook (Lowman Home), Jacob Bundrick (Lowman Home)

Hospitalized during the month:

Julia Turner A.J. Shealy Peggy Bedenbaugh

Special Thanks

Dear St. Luke's Family, I would like to express my deep appreciation to you for all the cards, calls and prayers during my recent surgery. A very special thank you to Pastor Smith for his care and concern. May God bless you all, Junior Shealy

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SECOND ANNUAL FALL CRAFT BAZAAR

"Handmand Craft Items"



**ST. LUKE'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
40% St. Luke's Church Rd.
Prosperity, SC



Our Famous
BAKE SALE



Cakes, Pies, Goodies, Canned Goods and Lots of Surprises!!

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs & BBQ Sandwiches

Liver-Nip Cookoff
In Memory of Mrs. Ruby Chapman

Saturday, October 3, 2009
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
NO EARLY SALES. PLEASE

*Come join us for a fun day of fellowship.
All proceeds will benefit the New Fellowship Hall!*

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans News

Newberry County Chapter will hold its Annual Election meeting at Stoney Hill School on Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m. ALL Thrivent members are invited and urged to attend. This is a dinner meeting, thus you are asked to notify Faye Hawkins or Carolyn Torrence (945-7620) by October 11th if you plan to attend. Following the meal there will be a brief meeting to elect officers and there will also be entertainment. A Collection of non-perishable food items will be received for the St. James AME Helping Hands Food Pantry to help our needy neighbors in the Pomaria area.

"Giving Plus" Gift forms have been placed on the rack in the church narthex for Thrivent members. If you plan to make a contribution to any Lutheran institution – Newberry College, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Lutheran Family Services, S.C. Lutheran Retreat Centers, Lutheran Homes of SC, or Lutheridge/Lutherrock – you can complete one of these forms and Thrivent will match your gift – one dollar for every two dollar gift, up to \$300. Individual donations can be for any amount up to \$600. Each person can give two different gifts to two different institutions per year. Thus a couple could give four gifts and get matching funds. If you are a Thrivent member, take time to complete one of these forms and mail it along with your gift to the institution of your choice. This gives it half again what you have contributed. If you have questions, contact any Thrivent Board Member.



The 2nd annual Craft Bazaar, Bake Sale and Liver Nip Cookoff is

Saturday, October 3rd

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sunday School news /attendance achievements

The June, July and August 2009 quarter of Sunday School records showed the following attendance achievement:

| Perfect Attendance: | Absent Once: | Absent Twice: |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Will Hawkins | Carolyn Shealy | Linda Sheppard |
| Cheryl Lucas | Pastor Smith | Sarah Eargle |
| Ronald Boozer | Phillip Trotter | Sam Hawkins |
| John V. Pugh | Enoch Boozer | Betty Connelly |
| Becky Pugh | Debra Gould | David Eargle |
| Bernice Connelly | Joe Kunkle | Caroline Brandt |
| Shelvie Shealy | Linda Kunkle | Elizabeth Bratton |
| Faye Shealy | Charles Shealy | Alexis Sodlink |
| Catherine Boozer | Sue Chapman | Jeff Gould |
| Virginia Cannon | Martha Pugh | Joe Boozer |
| Mary Dove Nichols | Margaret Koon | Peggy Boozer |
| Janette Vaughn | Betty Dominick | Christine Dennis |
| | Wilfred Dominick | Sherri Holland |
| | | Sandra Lominack |
| | | Charlene Pitts |
| | | Kelly Hawkins |

Congratulations to each one of you! Keep up the good work and encourage friends and family to join you at Sunday School. There are classes for youth and adults. Find the right fit for your interest and plan to attend regularly. Remember too, that if you attend Sunday School at another church, tell your teacher when you return to St. Luke's and he/she will mark you present for that day or days.

September 2009 Worship Trends / Financial Reports

September 6th – 171 in attendance – offering \$3,777

September 13th – 203 in attendance – offering \$4,448

September 20th – 216 in attendance – offering \$3,979

September 27th – 266 in attendance – offering \$3,765

Offering needed each Sunday to meet Budget \$4,968.86

Budget Needed to Date \$173,910.10

Budget Received to Date \$146,986.36

Amount Short of Budget \$26,923.74

Fellowship Hall Balance as of 8/31/09 \$214,310.41

October Birthdays

Oct 2. Danielle Lester

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

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

Oct 22. Calen McManus

Oct 24. Crystal Lester, Andrew Connelly

Oct 27. Chloe Minick, Cagnee Minick

Oct 28. Phillip Trotter II

Oct 29. Wayne Sheppard, Gordon Minick, Grant Mays

Oct 31. Katrina Minick

October Anniversaries

Oct 8. Jody & Dana Green

Oct 9. George & Faye Hawkins

Oct 17. Dale & Linda Bratton

Oct 20. Byron & Ingrid Carr

October 2009 Service Volunteers

Acolytes: 4th-Duncan Crotwell & Patrick Craven
11th-Rachel Swygert & Rachel Buzhardt
18th-Jake Buzhardt & Hannah Floyd
25th-Ashely Lake & Justin Hawkins

Crucifer: 4th-Alex Brandt, 11th-Mollie Connelly
18th-Ashley Dominick, 25th- Matthew Kunkle

Nursery Attendants: 4th- Mike & Daphne Dubose,
11th-Cindy Bedenbaugh & Dana Green
18th-Janna Cockrell & April Peel
25th-Rose Brandt & Fran Merchant

Altar Flowers: 4th- Dean & Cindy Bedenbaugh
11th-Janette Vaughn (Oct Chairperson)
18th-Shelvie Shealy, Betty Connelly,
Lisa Shealy & Nicole Stoudemire
25th- Byron & Ingrid Carr

Greeters: 4th-Dean & Cindy Bedenbaugh
11th-Rose Brandt & Mary Beth Richardson
18th- Brenda Clapp & Diane Morris
25th-Enoch Boozer & Betty Shealy

Lectors: 4th-Michelle Long, 11th-Penny Ballantyne,
18th-David Eargle, 25th-Evan Pitts

Closing the Church: 4th-Ronald Boozer
11th-George Hawkins
18th Jeffery Pugh
25th-Steven Lake

Ushers: 4th-Connelly, Minick, Lucas, Pitts
11th- H.Kunkle Jr., Ballantyne, Hendrix, E.Boozer
18th-Lake, M.Kunkle, Livingston, Brandt
25th-J.Boozer, Green, Beckham, Long

Altar Guild: Sep 28th - Oct 4th: Randy & Judy Nobles
Oct 5th - 11th: Mitchell & Harriett Connelly
and Wanda Crotwell
Oct 12th - 18th: Joe Kunkle & Brenda Smith
Oct 19th - 25th: Faye Shealy & Junior Shealy
Oct 26th - Nov 1st: Neal, Laura & Adam Lester

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| <p>4 Welcome Pastor Schafer! Sunday School 10 am The Service 11 am Holy Communion Girl Scouts (SHC) 4 pm</p> | <p>5 Cub Scouts (SHC) 6:30 pm Stoney Hill Center 7:30 pm</p> | <p>6 Essie Hawkins Cir 10 am <u>Heartland Conference</u> <u>LMM Committee of 100</u> <u>Banquet at Mt. Tabor 7 pm</u></p> | <p>7 Choir Practice 7 pm (special music)</p> |
| <p>11 Sunday School 10 am The Service 11 am <u>DROP-IN to meet</u> <u>Pastor Schafer 3pm-5pm</u> Council Meeting 7 pm</p> | <p>12 Cub Scouts (SHC) 6:30 pm LMM 7:30 pm</p> | <p>13 Faye & Hilton Roof Cir 7pm</p> | <p>14 Choir Practice 7 pm (special music) Budget Forum 7 pm</p> |
| <p>18 Sunday School 10 am The Service 11 am <u>Golden Age Sunday</u> Blood Drive 2-5:30pm Girl Scouts (SHC) 4 pm</p> | <p>19 Cub Scouts (SHC) 6:30 pm</p> | <p>20</p> | <p>21 <u>New Horizons' Trip</u> Barbara Richardson Circle 7pm Thomas Suber Cir. 7:30pm</p> |
| <p>25 Sunday School 10 am The Service 11 am <u>Reformation Sunday</u> Congregational Meeting</p> | <p>26 Cub Scouts (SHC) 6:30 pm</p> | <p>27 <u>Senior Adult Day</u> <u>at Camp Kinard</u> Leave church at 9:15 am</p> | <p>28 Choir Practice 7 pm (special music)</p> |



| <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 <u>Craft Bazaar</u> 9am - 2pm |
| 8 LMM Fall Family Night Out Harbor Inn Leave church at 6:45 pm | 9 | 10 |
| 15 Heartland Conf. Meeting with Bishop Yoos @ St.Peter's 7pm Thrivent FinancialSHC 7pm NEWSLETTER INFO DUE | 16 | 17 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 <u>Steak Supper</u> 5pm - 7pm |
| 29 | 30 | 31 |