

◆ Pastor Stephen Zeller.....



PASTOR'S PAGE



Do You?

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

On Sunday, June 8th, we will witness our traditional Rite of Confirmation as part of the worship service. The more accurate name for this event, I would argue, is Affirmation of Baptism.

In our Lutheran tradition, we believe that Baptism is a sign of the saving grace God has done and is doing in our lives and in the world. We baptize people of all ages - newborn babies to older adults - because it's not about anything we've done, but rather what God has done. In that sacrament the baptized person is surrounded, not only by the pastor and their family, but by sponsors, godparents, the congregation, and the whole body of Christ. If the person being baptized is unable to speak for themselves, then promises are made on behalf of them by those surrounding and supporting them.

*I will, and I
ask God to help
and guide me.*

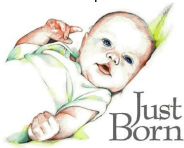
The annual Rite of Confirmation, then, is an opportunity for the youth of our church to affirm the promises that were made on their behalf. It's the time that we, while not walking away from them, are placing the responsibility of those promises into their own hands. It's truly a gift to witness this event.

However, it's not just a one-time event. Those youth and all of us are invited each and every day to affirm and renew those baptismal promises. Not by being rebaptized, but by remembering what God is doing and how we respond in every day of our life.

I hope you'll join us on June 8th as we celebrate this milestone for our eighth grade youth as they together answer, *I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

CHURCH FAMILY

NEW BABY



Congratulations to Nicholas and Adrienne Dieckman on the arrival of their son, Korbett William. He was born on Saturday, **May 10th**.

CONFIRMATION

On Sunday, **June 8th** we will share in the joy of the Rite of Confirmation for three of our members. They are Grady Elliott, Ben Goosen and Grant Kullman.



ANNIVERSARY REMIMBERANCE



We give thanks for Pastor Stephen and his ministry among us as we celebrate his 12th Ordination anniversary on **June 15th**. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us.



Sunday, June 15th

MILITARY

Rank E Jensen Hamilton

(son of Matt & Isabel Hamilton and grandson of Judie VonHolten)

Whiteman Airforce Base

Private Braydn Hood

(grandson of Connie Gerken)

National Guard

MSgt. Jason Ostberg

(son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen)

15319 Protues Street

San Antonio, TX 78245

Lt. Col. Ron Poe

1780 Cedar Lane

Sedalia, MO 65301

Major Joseph Strathman

1084 Strada Cristallo

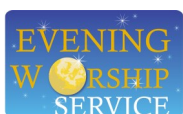
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SATURDAY CASUAL SERVICE



Saturday worship begins at 5:30pm in the Chapel. There will be no service on the 3rd Saturday of every month. Welcome!

A NOTE ABOUT WORSHIP

Pastor Stephen will be on vacation leading up to the weekend of **May 31st - June 1st**. Because of that, both worship services that weekend will be lay led with no communion.

Worship

"ONE STITCH AT A TIME"



The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **June 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 30th** in the Gathering Space. There will be no sewing on June 23rd.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

"But I say to you..."

Pastor Stephen invites you to join him for a 5-week summer Bible Study. Beginning with the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's gospel, Jesus builds on, fulfills, and upends many teachings



Bible Study

and laws that were familiar to so many of his followers. We'll focus in on this series of teachings in Matthew's gospel, but then expand it to other parts of the Bible as well. We will meet on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, beginning **June 3rd**, running each week through **July 1st**. Please join us!

ESTHER CIRCLE



The Esther Circle will meet in the Gathering Space on Tuesday, **June 17th** to work on banners.

Jake Jackson, *President*
Justin Tinney, *Vice-President /Evangelism*
Krista Poe, *Treasurer/Stewardship*
Susan Goosen, *Secretary*
Melinda Strathman, *Worship & Music*
Hannah Schweitzer, *Parish Education*
Josh Jackson, *Property*
Kelly Viebrock, *Property*
Roy Wagner, *Property*
Stephen Zeller, *Pastor*

COUNCIL





◆ Send a note.....

NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS

Kris Barnes
(friend of Julie Cronin)

Jon Beckman

Vern Dean Bohling

Don Brooks

Vernitta Brooks

Les Bruns

Ashley Campbell

Joe Campbell

Susan Canfield

Scott Cash

Vanessa Doop & baby

Cliff Eckhoff

Ron Eickhoff

Joseph Fuelling
(nephew of Paul Fuelling)

Adam Gumbel
(son of Jim & Kim Gumbel)

Karen Haase
(sister-in-law of Gene Beckman)

Larry Haase
(brother-in-law of Gene Beckman)

Art Heimsoth

Mike Hinkel

Janelle Howard
(daughter of Penny Merriott)

Gordon Ives

Greg Ives

Norene Ives

Joyce Jones
(sister of Connie Gerken)

Hazel Karstons

Marvin Logan
(brother of Gale Logan)

Kyle Luetjen

David Mobely
(brother-in-law of Randy Healan)

Stacy Morrison
(friend of Teresa Viebrock)

Kaleb Mundy

Jackie Ross
(sister of Randy Healan)

Jamie Simon

Kylie Simon

Liz Smart

Carmilla Swaim & husband
(friends of Debbie Eckhoff)

Marie Viebrock

Wanda Viebrock

Judie VonHolten

Renee Weller

David Woolery
(friend of Jerry & Melisa Balke)

Nursing Home

Vern Dean Bohling (Ambrose Park #4)

Marie Viebrock (GSCC #203)

Florence VonHolten (#207)



Dear Lord...

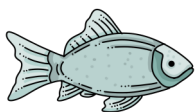




EVENTS

FISH FRY

The annual World Hunger Fish Fry and Turkey Supper is on Sunday, **June 1st.**



FISH FRY

Serving is from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, and includes fried fish, roasted turkey, sides, drinks, and homemade desserts. Dine in or take a plate to go. A free-will offering will be collected with all proceeds going to world hunger programs and ministries. Please join us!

SYNOD ASSEMBLY



Synod Assembly is **June 5th, 6th and 7th.** Please remember our delegates Greg Bredehoeft, Janice Gerken and Pastor Stephen in your prayers during those days.

CLOTHING DONATIONS

We will once again open the church building throughout the summer for clothing donations for the Back-to-School Clothing Sale on August 2nd. We will begin collecting clothing on the weekend of the city-wide garage sales, **June 7th.** The building will then be open during office hours or during other church activities.



Look for signs behind the building pointing toward the Fellowship Hall or another outdoor location about where to leave your donations.

WELCA CONVENTION



The Bi-annual Synodical Convention will be held in Independence, MO on **June 20th - 22nd.** The theme is "Vessels of Grace." All women are invited.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, **June 22nd** beginning at 6:00pm. Entertainment will begin at 7:00pm.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

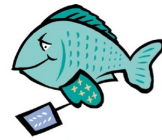
Mark your calendars for this year's VBS, **July 7th - 11th!** We'll gather around the "campfire" and explore timeless Bible stories that show how Old and New Testament campers trusted God in the face of their own fears and went on to do great things in God's name. A link for online registration will be posted to the church's Facebook page and website in early June. See you there!



YOU CAN HELP!

COMMUNITY FISH FRY WITH THE COLE CAMP AREA CHURCH ALLIANCE

The Church Alliance will once again hold their Community Fish Fry on Saturday, **July 12th**, from 5:00-7:00 pm. It will be held at the First Baptist Church of Cole Camp. As this is a community effort with all the area churches participating, ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!!*** Could you volunteer some time that day to help set up or serve? Could you provide a homemade dessert? (We only need four!) Please let Pastor Stephen or Joyce Schlesselmann know if you are available to help with the event. Also, ***mark your calendar*** to come attend this great event. Thank you!



Fish Fry

MID-MO BIBLE CAMP

This year's Mid-MO Bible Camp will be Sunday, **July 20th** - Thursday, **July 24th**, at the usual location, Camp Rising Sun in Lake of the Ozarks State Park. It's for youth who this summer have completed 4th - 9th grades. Friends are invited! Cost is \$100 per camper, but St. Paul's will pay for half of the fee for our members and a friend. Registration forms are on the usher's stands at church and are due by June 27th.



As always, adult volunteers are welcome and needed throughout the week. Can you help prepare a meal (or two?), assist with set up Sunday afternoon or clean up Thursday morning? Do you have lifeguard skills to offer on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday? Can you offer homemade cookies or help in any other way? If so, please let Pastor Stephen know so he can pass on that information.

SALVATION ARMY KIDS MEALS

For the past few years, the Salvation Army of Benton County has been providing weekly groceries to families with children to help supplement their food needs. Last year they estimated that over 600 people in our county were impacted by this meal program. 40-50 meals were distributed each week in Cole Camp alone last year. If you would like to financially contribute to this effort, you can include that in your offering at church (designated for Kids Meals) or mail it directly to: Salvation Army, PO Box 1432, Warsaw, MO 65355.



**DETAILED TREASURER'S REPORT****Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**

	April	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
BENEVOLENCE RECEIPTS				
ELCA	2,405.00	7,400.00	(4,995.00)	32.5%
World Hunger	-0-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.0%
Hope 5 One	3,476.25	5,000.00	(1,523.75)	69.53%
CC Food Pantry Donations	720.00	1,500.00	(780.00)	48.0%
Seniors of North BC	520.00	-0-	520.00	100.0%
Other	-0-	-0-	-0-	0.0%
TOTAL BENEVOLENCE	7,121.25	15,900.00	(8,778.75)	44.79%
OFFERING				
Home Purpose	66,205.73	223,913.00	(157,707.27)	29.57%
Building Fund 5%	3,484.53	11,785.00	(8,300.47)	29.57%
Total Offering	69,690.26	235,698.00	(166,007.74)	29.57%
Building Use	1,000.00	2,750.00	(1,750.00)	36.36%
Fair Stand, net	-0-	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.0%
Float	-0-	800.00	(800.00)	0.0%
Interest	5,559.97	-0-	5,559.97	100.00%
Miscellaneous	749.50	-0-	749.50	100.0%
Total Income	84,120.98	260,148.00	(176,027.02)	32.34%
Expenses	Note E			
	318,805.03	260,148.00	58,657.03	122.55%
Net Income	234,684.05	-0-	234,684.05	100.0%

Cash and Investment Balances - April 30, 2025

January, 2025	Home Purpose	Building	Memorial	Crisis	Little Blessings	Seminary
	Note A	Note B	Note C		Note D	
Cash & Investment Balances	73,508.76	182,185.09	20,282.56	3,172.99	125,161.08	8,888.22

Note A: Includes \$3,330.81 of Community of Calling Funds

Note B: Includes \$129,516.14 in roof insurance proceeds.

Note C: Includes restricted amounts of \$15,000.00 for Little Blessings and \$1,610.69 for Sunday School.

Note D: Includes \$124,422.84 in grant funds.

Note E: Includes \$242,750.00 in roof replacement expenses.



◆ Susan Goosen, Church Council Secretary

COUNCIL MINUTES

Congregational Council Minutes **Wednesday, April 9, 2025**

PASTOR'S REPORT

Upcoming Events

April 12 - 20: Holy Week
June 8: Confirmation Service

Vacation Dates:

April 30 - May 2
May 26 - June 1

Baptism:

On Friday, April 4, Pastor presided at the baptism of Clyde Alcorn during a private service. On Sunday, April 6, Pastor presided at the baptism of Matthew Smith during a private service.

Saturday Worship:

There will be no Saturday worship on April 26.

New Members: On March 3 the Evangelism Committee and Pastor hosted a New Member Lunch after worship. Eight new members will join on April 13. Jacob & Alyssa Fowler, LaDonna Logan, Penny Marriot, Matt, Alexis, Lena and Mason Smith.

Membership Transfer: Pam Balke requested her membership to be transferred to First United Methodist Church in Sedalia.

Worship Attendance (in person):

Mar. 15: X	Mar. 16: 127
Mar. 22: 13	Mar. 23: 123
Mar. 29: 6	Mar. 30: 121
April 4: 14	April 5: 124

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Stewardship:

Sunday, June 1st is the date for the Fish Fry. They are asking for fish!

Evangelism:

They helped with the New Member Lunch and served cookies at the Lenten service on March 26.

Parish Education:

Council will again pay 1/2 for each member and 1/2 for one friend to attend Bible Camp.

Property:

Roof: The project to redo the roof should be finished next week. The gutters for all three buildings will be done at the same time.

Cross Repair: The cross repairs are in progress. Russ is working on this.

Glass for Stained Glass: The plexiglass for the stained glass window in the fellowship hall is in.



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COUNCIL CONTINUED

Propane Tanks: Josh, Justin and Jake have procured and are ready to move 3 propane tanks in order to be able to purchase propane at the lowest cost.

Siding on Storage Building: The siding will need measurements after roof is complete. Estimated cost is \$2,000.00.

Cemetery: Damage has been taken care of. Now waiting on granite monuments to be installed.

Elevette: It will need to be removed before next inspection. Space will be used for closet storage.

Windows in Parsonage: The windows have been ordered and work should begin soon by Truman Yoder.

Property Cleanup: Cleanup on the property behind the church is being done by Frank Root.

Worship:

Will meet at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS

Church Secretary Position: Is still open.

Constitution: The Constitution Committee consisting of Jancie Gerken, Emily Kullman, Krista Poe and Jean Healan will be updating the constitution. The constitution

has not been updated since 1995 and is need of revision.

Insurance: Council will be looking into finding a new Insurance Company to cover the church and property.

Fence: There will be a fence going from the corner of the basement over to the Fellowship Hall to enclose the propane tanks. A bid was received and accepted from Nicholas Dieckman for \$2,111.00. Now waiting to hear back from Nicholas.

Special Meeting: Council held a special meeting on April 6 to begin discussion about the Luetjen property. Tom Oelrichs has been contacted and given a contract for the land. Asking price is \$82,500. The building on the land will need to be removed at an estimated cost of \$10,000 to \$12,000. Roy has spoken with the Mayor about zoning issues if there were to be a daycare. The Mayor didn't think there would be a problem, but if needed to be rezoned the cost would be \$100. There will be a meeting of the congregation on Sunday, April 26 after worship.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 9:06pm with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 14, 2025 at 7:00pm.



◆ A Time To Celebrate.....

SPECIAL OCCASIONS**BIRTHDAYS:**

6/1 Nicole Rice
 6/1 Gary Weller
 6/2 Cliff Gerken
 6/2 Victoria Kruep
 6/4 Ethan Goosen
 6/4 Cindy Schlesselman
 6/6 Hudson Kullman
 6/8 Kelli Crawford
 6/8 Allen Oelrichs
 6/8 Cory Rice
 6/9 Brian Ipsen
 6/10 Andrew Oelrichs
 6/11 Fabian Sangstger
 6/13 Tyler Daily
 6/13 Kelly Viebrock
 6/14 Wayne Balke
 6/14 Victoria Belcher
 6/15 Geraldine Pabst
 6/16 Sara Jackson
 6/16 Melinda Strathman
 6/18 Joyce Wineinger
 6/19 Ellen Harms
 6/19 Justin Tinney
 6/19 Robert Wienberg
 6/22 Connie Gerken
 6/22 Kevin Schlesselman
 6/23 Gene Beckman
 6/23 Delaney Gerken
 6/23 Ruth Ann Kreisel
 6/23 Teresa Viebrock
 6/24 Helen Tatum
 6/27 Bill Viebrock
 6/26 Sandra Balke
 6/26 Marcus Harms
 6/29 Mason Randall
 6/30 Janelle Strathman

BAPTISMS:

6/1 Cliff Gerken
 6/1 Gary Weller
 6/2 Chris Balke
 6/2 Chad Schlesselman
 6/5 Alexis Smith
 6/6 Adrienn Dieckman
 6/6 Ila McIntyre
 6/7 Lucas Eckhoff
 6/8 Tory Viebrock
 6/10 Michael Brockfeld
 6/10 Lily McIntyre
 6/10 Michael Wissman
 6/11 Cash McCameron
 6/13 Kristy Steigerwalt
 6/14 Angela Viebrock
 6/14 Roy Wagner
 6/16 Conway Kruep
 6/17 Brittany Mullins
 6/18 Weston Balke
 6/18 Victoria Kruep
 6/21 Dale Oelrichs
 6/21 Jarrett Prince
 6/22 James Cash
 6/22 Robert Wienberg
 6/24 Joshua Brandes
 6/25 Kylie Prince
 6/25 Jamie Tatum
 6/25 Jeri Tatum
 6/27 Ralph Rehmer
 6/28 Katie Cook






SPECIAL OCCASIONS

ANNIVERSARIES:

6/2	Wally & Sherry Charbonneau	07
6/3	Nicholas & Adrienn Dieckman	02
6/3	Todd & Susan Rusk	36
6/4	Jimmie & Stacy Barnes	31
6/5	Randy & Jean Healan	55
6/5	Kenneth & Sharon Holland	54
6/10	Eric & Kyle Luetjen	25
6/11	Brian & Stephanie Randall	14
6/13	Dennis & Claudia Moellmann	28
6/15	Ryan & Kayla Sangster	12
6/17	Jeff & Kristen Elliott	19
6/18	Dustin & Amber Carver	09
6/18	Joel & Audra Parney	03
6/19	Joshua & Amy Yust	15
6/14	Chester & Norma Schlesselman	36
6/25	Gordon & Shelly Ives	42
6/26	Jerry & Melisa Balke	43
6/26	Joe & Janelle Strathman	16
6/29	Tyler & Shaila Marquess	06
6/29	Cody & Brittany Mullins	12



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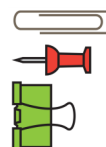
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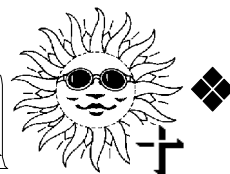
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St. Paul's Mission Statement
"BEING TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S
GRACE TO LOVE AND SERVE."

Sunday, June 1, 2025
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sunday, June 8, 2025
Day of Pentecost
Holy Communion by Stations

Sunday, June 15, 2025
The Holy Trinity
Holy Communion by Stations

Sunday, June 22, 2025
Second Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion by Stations

Sunday, June 29, 2025
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion by Stations

Come! Worship at St. Paul's

Every Saturday Evening
5:30 P.M. - Casual Worship

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Every Sunday Morning
10:00 A.M. - Worship

You can also find our worship services
online, or call us to receive a DVD copy:


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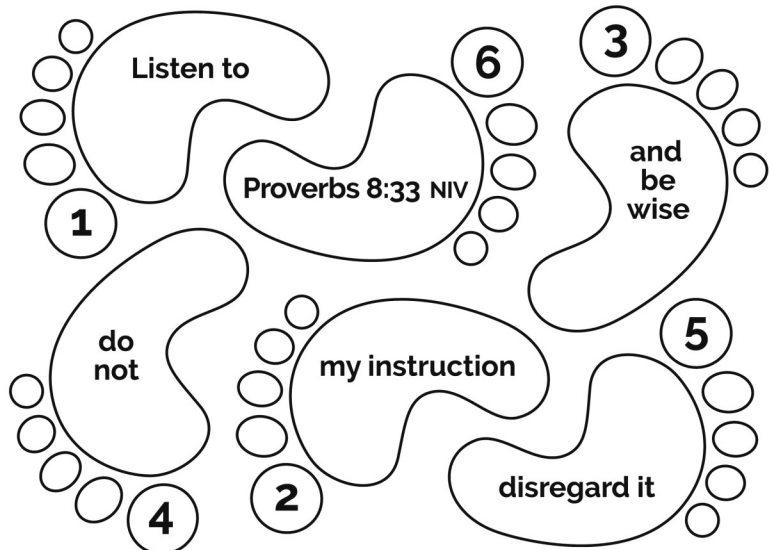
JUNE ACTIVITY PAGE



FOLLOW OUR FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS


In the book of Proverbs, a father urges his son to listen to his wisdom, which he received from his heavenly Father.

Directions: Starting at 1, follow the footsteps and write the words in order on the blanks below.




“ _____ ;
 _____ .”
 _____ : _____ , _____

Answer: "Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it."
 Proverbs 8:33, NIV



IN MY FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.




What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

What you do:

1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
3. Trace your father's foot (same side) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.





HAPPY FATHER'S DAY