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Our Savior's Lutheran Church



Here is the latest news for Our Saviour's Lutheran Church!



Oktoberfest Celebration

Thank you for all of your support thus far in this years Oktoberfest journey!

Set up for the festivities will start at 12 noon on Saturday October 23rd at the church.
All are welcome to assist in the preparations.

Activities this far include:

- Cake walk provided by Kimberly butler
- Polka dancing thanks to Lori sartor and Carmen Nazario for their organization of classes. Plus the wonderful dance floor!
- S'mores station once the fire pit is going courtesy of Erin Hendrickson and her band of happy helpers
- The nail and hammer experience only because of Todd and Carmen Nazario's' vision
- A costume contest for any and all that would like to participate as well

2021 Oktoberfest is a rebuilding year and we are so very thankful to be able to come together for food, fellowship plus beer and brats!! Lets invite friends, neighbors and families.

Remember to keep the festival in your prayers for wonderful weather!!!!

Contact Kristin Blaise at blazenpink@yahoo.com or 903-521-7158 for more info or to volunteer to make this a wonderful event for our church and community.



Prime Timer's Planning Meeting

You are invited to a short but important planning meeting for our Prime Timer's ministry. Covid-19 has kept us sidelined, but we hope conditions are improving so we can restart this ministry at the first of the year. If you would like to help plan an activities calendar for 2022 come to the fellowship hall after worship on October 31st around 11:15. After the meeting, we will go have lunch offsite. If you have questions or are ready to commit to the planning meeting, contact Bill Videtto, bjvidetto@gmail.com or Pastor Martin, martinmoore55@gmail.com.



Polka Dance Practice

Calling all polka dancers! Let's get ready for Oktoberfest! Please come practice with us on Tuesdays at 6 PM starting September 28, Fellowship Hall. You don't have to know how to dance, you just have to like to have fun. contact Lori Sartor with any questions at (903) 944-8429.



September Headlines

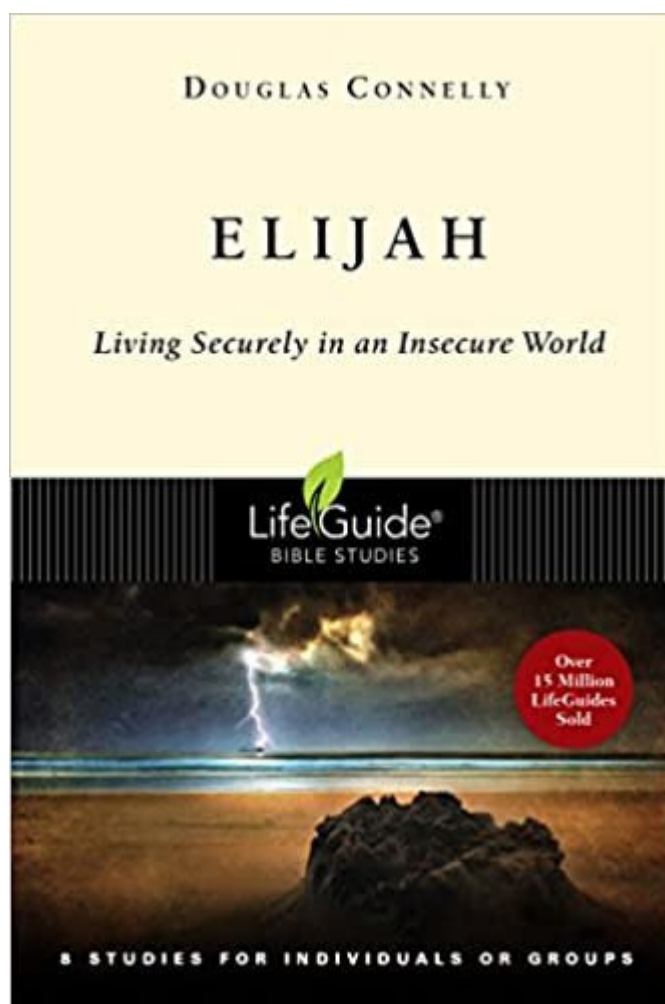
Here's a few of the September Headlines from NALC News

- Convocation hears vision updates, affirms decisions on office and assistants.

- Photos from 2021 NALC Mission Convocation.
- Flooding damages Mekane Yesus Seminary in Ethiopia, eight people die at seminary.
- Small and rural churches matter -- Ministry Matters from Pastor David Wendel.
- NALC Disaster Response Hurricane Ida update.

And much, much more! Get a copy of the full NALC News by clicking the button below.

NALC News



Thursday Morning Bible Study - Elijah

Our 8 week study of the prophet Elijah has started. Elijah was God's primary spokesman during King Ahab's reign as king of Israel. Each week, one lesson is

covered and is independent of the previous week. Please feel free to join us at any time. We meet every Thursday at 10:00 AM in the conference room. We have lively discussions and learn from each other. Come join us! We have study guides available for \$10.



Hard Work!

Yes, remodeling the Pastor's office is hard work. Thank you Helen for all the hard work and refurbishing the pastor's office.



Promise Academy

Pastor Martin recently attended the Pastors Appreciation Breakfast and Chapel Service at Promise Academy. It was refreshing to hear the children recite the Pledge of Allegiance, as well as, a pledge to follow the words of Scripture. Here in the picture we see Charles and Cade Cumming in the praise team helping lead the student body in heartfelt worship to God. Their mom, Sarah, is the Head of School.

We are excited to see what God is doing with the vision He placed in Sarah's heart and for the way it has become such a powerful reality: "Cultivating wise, creative, and compassionate leaders through Christ-centered education in North Tyler for the joy of our city and the glory of God."



Passing of the Peace

“On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” –John 20:19-21

Our Church Council met this past Sunday and the Passing of the Peace was prayerful discussed. Earlier, the council had decided to suspend this part of our worship due to Covid-19 concerns. Though we are still looking for ways to keep everyone as safe as possible, it was decided to add the Passing of the Peace back into our worship—but with some qualifications. First, please do not feel that you have to participate in this. In Christian love for one another, we encourage each member and guest to engage in worship in ways that support their own health needs. Second, if you chose to engage in this part of the worship please do so in a way that supports the ongoing need for social distancing. When we get to this part of the service please stay in place, turn to those immediately around you, and share the blessing of peace in a safe manner. I have seen members simply wave or touch elbows or bump fists; I’ve even seen those of a certain age flash the ‘peace sign’ to one another. This seems to be making a comeback along with bell bottom jeans!

The mechanics of how it is done is not important, but what it represents is. The resurrected Lord calmed the fears of His disciples with His peace. As we prepare for Communion we remind one another in the sharing of the peace that Christ has promised to be present in this Holy Meal. Asking the Lord to bestow His peace on a fellow believer is living out the words we profess in the Lord's Prayer: **"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us"** (see Matthew 5:24).



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