

Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 12, 2018

8:00 am & 9:30 am



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Welcome to Saint Nicholas! We're glad you're worshipping with us today. May our time together be a blessing to you. If you are visiting with us this morning, please sign the guest register in the Narthex on the podium.

Child care is available during worship for infants and toddlers in our staffed nursery room down the hall. All children ages 5 – 10 are invited to attend Time for Children in the North Wing where they will hear a bible lesson presented through story, song and prayer. Children are dismissed with the adult leaders following the Children's Sermon and return to worship for Holy Communion.

Our worship always includes the sacrament of Holy Communion and all people are welcome to receive. Children are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the pastor.

GATHERING

Congregation reads bold print

Prelude: “Still” by Hillary Scott *(performed by Elizabeth Williams)*

Welcome

Stand

Confession And Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. **Amen.**

Trusting God’s promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Eternal God our creator,
in you we live and move and have our being.
Look upon us, your children,
the work of your hands.
Forgive us all our offenses,
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.
By your grace draw us near to you,
our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
God’s love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us.
In the mercy of almighty God,
Christ died for us while we still were sinners;
and for his sake, God ✝ forgives you all your sins.
Amen.

Gathering Song: *Open the Eyes of my Heart*

♩=112 **CHORUS**
E⁵

O - pen the eyes _ of my heart, _ Lord, _ o - pen the eyes _ of my heart;

4

I want to see You, _ I want to see You. _

8

1, 3. E5sus | 2, 4. **VERSE** B C#m

To see You high and lift - ed up, _ shin -

12

- ing in the light of Your glo - - ry. _ Pour out Your pow'r and love; _

15

As we sing ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - ly. _

19

2. **BRIDGE** E⁵ B/D#

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - ly, _ ho - ly, ho - ly, ho -

23

- ly; _ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - ly, _ I want to

26

1. E5sus E E5sus | 2. E5sus E

repeat as desired

see You. _ see You. _

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ***And also with you.***

Kyrie



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

Hymn Of Praise



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



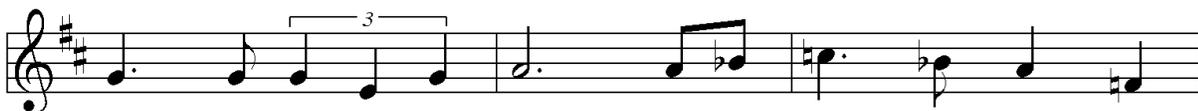
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer.

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☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.
 I
 II For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.
 ☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Sit

Children's Sermon

Time For Children

(All children in Kindergarten – 5th grade are invited to hear a bible lesson presented through story, song and prayer in the North Wing.)

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

A reading from 1 Kings.

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 34:1-8 *(Please read responsively)*

¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

***²I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.***

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

***⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.***

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,

and let not your faces be ashamed.

***⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.***

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

***⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!***

Psalm Prayer

Let us pray.

O God, graciously hear us, for we seek you alone. Deliver us from our fears and terrors, quiet us with the peace that passes understanding, and let us taste your goodness, which makes us radiant with joy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. ✝ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and forever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:25--5:2

A reading from Ephesians.

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit
Sermon

Stand

Hymn of the Day: *O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts* (ELW 658)

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by the faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers Of Intercession

Each prayer petition concludes with the following words:

Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Sharing Of The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

Sit

Gathering Of Gifts/Setting The Table

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church. If you would like to give electronically here is our QR code and Wi-Fi password:

SaintNicholas.



All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God. (Deuteronomy 16:17 NLT)

Offering Song: *Listen, God Is Calling* (ELW 513)

Refrain
Leader All

Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All

Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*

Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.
that he came to save us and set us free.
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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Stand

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.***

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to receive the sacrament. Today we commune by intinction. With intinction, the communion participant comes forward, receives a wafer and then dips it into the chalice of wine or grape juice before eating it. We also offer gluten free wafers at communion. Children not yet prepared for Holy Communion are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing from the pastor.



Sit

Communion



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Hymn: *The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing: The Feast Is Ready*

Verse 1

The trumpets sound the angels sing, the feast is ready to begin.
The gates of heav'n are open wide, and Jesus welcomes you inside.

Chorus

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

Verse 2

Tables are laden with good things; Oh, taste the peace and joy he brings.
He'll fill you up with love divine; He'll turn your water into wine.

Chorus

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

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Verse 3

The hungry heart he satisfies, offers the poor his paradise.
Now hear all heaven and earth applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord.

Chorus

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

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Remain seated

Post Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. ***Amen.***

SENDING

Community Life Announcements

Stand

Blessing

Sending Song: *Shine, Jesus, Shine* (ELW 671)



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



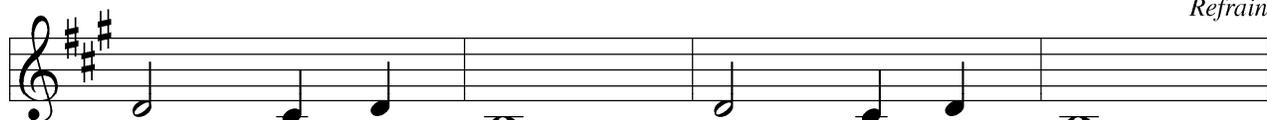
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, shine on me:

Text: Graham Kendrick
Music: SHINE, JESUS, SHINE, Graham Kendrick

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Dismissal

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

Thanks be to God.

SAINT NICHOLAS ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

August 12, 2018



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Starks' Family in honor of Kyle's 11th birthday.

Prayer Concerns

Health: Theresa Dubois, Joe Prowinski, Linda Hoffman, Howard Schwab, Kelly McDevitt, Matt Taby, Maya Gault

Long term concerns: Heidi Gault, Avay Jaynes, The Smith/Biello Families, Susan Vilcheck, Heidi Ritter, Garrett Krohnert, Tommy Green, Karen Smith, Jill Richardson, Robin LaPorte, Sean MacDonnell, Ray Nieves, Linda Dorr

Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church has a special Prayer Team committed to intercessory prayer. Your request will always be treated with immediacy, care, and confidentiality. Contact Carol Blatt at tblatt@comcast.net with prayer requests.

If you want your name or someone else's name added to the Prayer Concerns List, please contact the church office. Prayer concerns will be carried for 1 month unless notified otherwise.

This Week's Birthdays

Monday — Kyle Starks **Saturday** — Brandon Smith

Forgive us if we missed anyone, please contact the office if you would like to include your birthday in the weekly announcements.

Worship Attendance ~ August 5

8:00 am — 16 9:30 am — 66

Staff & Leadership

The Rev. Kenneth D. Taylor ~ pastor@saintnicholaslutheran.org

Franklyn Johnson-Williams, Music Director ~ bonniejazzmusic@yahoo.com

Erika Demme, Office Adm. /Bookkeeper ~ office@saintnicholaslutheran.org

Jamie Flanders, Council President ~ Jaflanders65@gmail.com

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 12

8:00 am Worship

9:30 am Worship

7:30 pm Another Chance

Monday – Thursday ~ 9:00 am – 3:30 pm Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday ~ 5:30 pm Rampage Wrestling

Monday, August 13 ~ 6:15 pm Finance Mtg., 7:00 pm Council

Thursday, August 16 ~ 7:00 pm Steps to Serenity

Sunday, August 19

8:00 am Worship

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Worship Planning Meeting

11:00 am "Jesus was a Migrant" Book Talk

7:30 pm Another Chance

Volunteer Opportunities

First Food Sunday ~ September 2

The first Sunday of each month has been designated as "First Food Sunday" to help restock the shelves at Calvert Churches Community Food Pantry. Here are some suggested food items. Please place donations in the basket in the Narthex.

Tuna Fish

Canned Fruit and Vegetables

Canned Pork and Beans

Cereals (hot/cold)

Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce

Muffin mix

Nutri grain bars

Peanut Butter and Jelly

Canned Pasta

Soups (canned/dry)

Macaroni and Cheese

Pancake mix/Bisquick

Pudding/Jell-O

Crackers

**God's work.
Our hands.**

“God’s Work. Our Hands.” Sunday

Mark your calendar for this year’s God's Work, Our Hands effort. This is the ELCA’s campaign to promote service to others.

[On September 8th \(Saturday\)](#) - Join us as we harvest food at Serenity Farm with our friends from Good Samaritan Lutheran and Peace Lutheran. This food will go to food pantries throughout Southern Maryland. Meet at church to carpool at 9:00. Bring gloves, hat, sunscreen, and water.

[On September 9th \(Sunday\)](#) - During Rally Day, Personal Care Kits will be assembled by the Sunday School students for Lutheran World Relief. Thanks to Erika Demme, who wrote a grant from Thrivent Financial to purchase the contents for the kits.

[On September 21st \(Friday\)](#), interested members will take the Personal Care Kits to Lutheran World Relief in Baltimore. Then they will take a tour of the facility and learn more about LWR. Meet at church at 9:30 to carpool.

[On each Sunday in September](#), donations will be collected for outreach through Lutheran Disaster Response, the Metro DC Synod, and a weekend food project for Huntingtown High School. More information and sign-up sheets will be posted in the narthex. Contact Debbie Bang, Erika Demme, or Kathy Dangin if you have questions.

Project ECHO Thrift Store and Gift Shop



Did you know Project ECHO has a store where you can help the homeless by shopping (yes, shopping!) and donating your gently used clothes and household goods? We’re staffed by volunteers and stocked by donations so every dollar spent at Project ECHO Thrift & Gift Shop goes toward our mission of helping the homeless. The store is open

every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 10am – 4pm. It’s located at 885 Main Street, just a half mile south of the shelter. We’re still working on filling our volunteer-staff roster so if you can give a few hours a week we would love to have you join our team! The volunteer sign-up form can be found on their website. www.ProjectECHO.net. Any questions and completed forms can be sent to Teresa at ECHOthrift@comcast.net.

Time for Children Teachers Needed!

We are in need of several volunteers with a heart for our youth to teach Time for Children during worship on Sunday mornings at the 8:00 or 10:45 services. Teaching Time for Children is a wonderful way to educate children about God's Word AND it's a great time to get to know the children of Saint Nicholas and build relationships with them. Contact Elizabeth Taby at elizabethtaby@gmail.com or by calling 301-343-3993 for more information.

T.P. for P.E.

Thank you to everyone who donated to our 2nd quarter toilet paper drive. 329 rolls of toilet paper were delivered to Project Echo Homeless Shelter. SNLC has donated a total 602 rolls of toilet paper so far in 2018. Our next collection will conclude on September 30th. Keep the generosity rolling!

Announcements

Men's Softball Tournament Results

The softball team began its 2018 tournament with a 5-0 win over Our Lady Star of the Sea on Friday August 3. Later that night, the team lost to eventual tournament champion Saint Anthony's 16-6. Saturday morning, the team got knocked out of the tournament by New Life Church, losing 9-5. Austin Owens, Andrew Wood, and Jerry Wood each scored 3 runs during the tournament. Andrew Dangin added 2 runs scored. Thank you to all our fans who showed up to watch and cheer us on through blazing heat, high humidity, and rain. We greatly appreciate your support throughout the season. Hope to see you again for the 2019 softball season!

"Jesus was a Migrant" Book Talk

Saint Nicholas is hosting a discussion on the book *Jesus was a Migrant* by Deirdre Cornell. The discussion will be held **following the 9:30 worship on August 19**. The text is described by Amazon.com as "a moving and spiritually grounded presentation of the value to the United States of migrants, immigrants, and refugees." Participants are required to purchase their own copy though sharing is encouraged. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you plan to participate in the discussion. Contact Bryan Mullins (mullinsb@calvertnet.k12.md.us) if you have any questions.



Free Family Movie Night

Mark your calendars! Saint Nicholas will be offering another Free Family Movie Night on **Friday, August 24 at 6:30pm in the church fellowship hall**. The movie will be Ferdinand, running time 108 minutes. There will be free popcorn and soft pretzels for purchase. Please contact Susan Vilcheck at michaelvilcheck@hotmail.com for more information

'Singspiration' Sunday

Do you have a favorite hymn or song that you would like us to sing @ Saint Nicholas? Send us the title of your favorite hymn or song and we will try to incorporate it in worship on **August 26**. Please send your hymn or song selection to the office by August 19. Please contact Bonnie at bonniejazzmusic@yahoo.com with questions.

Oktoberfest Planning Meeting



Planning is underway for the biggest community event of the year! Our next meeting will be held **August 26th following the 9:30** worship. It is never too late to contribute to planning this event. Oktoberfest is Saturday, October 6 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Spread the word that all are welcome to enjoy the gift of fellowship! Contact Bryan Mullins (mullinsb@calvertnet.k12.md.us) if you have any questions.

Recognition

Saint Nicholas has been blessed to have the dedication and support of Jim Felbinger as our custodian for the last 8 years. Although, Jim will continue to worship with us Sunday mornings, his last day of employment will be July 31. To show our appreciation for Jim's care and service to Saint Nicholas, we would like to honor him with a monetary gift. If you're able to contribute please place your donation in the offering plate by Sunday, August 19 making sure you indicate "for Jim Felbinger." We are also planning a reception on **August 26 after the 9:30am service**, so please plan on attending.



Rally Day and Blessing of the Backpacks!

Please join us on **Sunday, September 9 at 9:30** as we kick-off the Sunday School year! Students and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to either service (8am or 10:45am) to receive a special blessing during Children's Time. Immediately following the 8am service, Sunday school families will congregate in the North Wing for a breakfast and one room Sunday school class. We will also be doing a service project assembling Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. Along with registering your child for Sunday school we are asking for a suggested \$15 donation per child to cover the children's workbooks for the year. We cannot wait to see all those smiling faces after this long summer break!

Adult Book Study

Please join us on **Sunday, September 9 from 9:30am – 10:30am** for a new adult study! Growing up as an [evangelical](#) Christian in the Bible Belt, Rachel Held Evans used to love reading the Bible. But as her faith changed, she grew weary of the black-and-white interpretation of her youth. As an adult, she joined the Episcopal Church and began to consider other ways to read Scripture. Her new book, [Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again](#) (Thomas Nelson, 2018), is a memoir mixed with scholarship and literary analysis, including reimagining parts of the Bible as short stories, poetry and even a "Choose Your Own Adventure" story. If you're interested in attending please sign-up on the bulletin board and place your check in the offering designated "book study". The cost of the book is \$14.00. Anna Kitzmiller and Pastor Ken will be facilitating this book study.

Thank you!

Dear Saint Nicholas Family, We are so thankful for the love you have shown to our family as we prepare to welcome our new baby. Your generosity really means the world to us! We truly feel so blessed to have found Saint Nicholas and really can't believe it has been three years since we first walked through the doors. This church has become our home and all of you have become our family. It really is a joy to be raising our children amongst such an amazing congregation! Jimmy and Erin McClelland

Summer Giving

Going away for the summer or taking a vacation? If you plan on traveling this summer there are several ways to offer continued support of Saint Nicholas. You can securely give online from our website 24-7. Go to saintnicholaslutheran.org and check out the stewardship page. You can sign up for Simply Giving, an automated giving program. You can send a check directly to the church. Please contact Tom Blatt at tblatt@comcast.net or the church office with any questions. Remember, even when you are on vacation, Saint Nicholas is your church home.

Serving Next Sunday, August 19

8:00 am

Assisting Minister	Jamie Flanders
Altar Care	Carol Blatt
Altar Flowers	Banholzer
Lector	Carolyn Lenz
Ushers/Communion Asst.	Volunteers Needed
Coffee Set-up	Vicki Soto
Fellowship	Volunteer Needed
AV Operator	Volunteer Needed

9:30 am

Assisting Minister	Deanna Kekesi
Altar Care	Anna Kitzmiller
Acolytes	Miles Roger
Lector	Brianna Kekesi
Ushers/Communion Asst.	Debbie Bang, Bryan Mullins
Offering Counters	Christine Hogan, Sharon LeBrun
Coffee Clean-up	Debbie Bang
Nursery	Karen & Clara Phelps
Time for Children	Breanna Kekesi, Vicki Soto
AV Operator	Volunteer Needed

Serving Today, August 12

8:00 am

Assisting Minister

Altar Care

Altar Flowers

Lector

Ushers/Communion Asst.

Coffee Set-up

Fellowship

Andre Dangin

Volunteer Needed

Starks

Joe Sharar

Dawn & John Hogenson

Anna Kitzmiller

Dawn Hogenson

9:30 am

Assisting Minister

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Lector

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Offering Counters

Coffee Clean-up

Nursery

Time for Children

Glenn Wolfgang

Christy Mullins, Sara Bowen

Jocelyn Dubois

Bryan Mullins

Kris & Jerry Wood

Vicki Williams, Ann Wolfgang

Vicki Williams

Lauren Wawroski

Volunteer Needed, McKenna Taylor



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