



The Eagle June 2022



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*May we continue to be used by
God and share the Gospel with
A Heart for Hamilton County*



“Available”

A man was going to bed when his wife told him he'd left the light on in the shed. He grabbed a flash light and headed outside but halfway there he realized there were people in the shed stealing things. He ran back in the house, called the police, but they told him no officer was in his area so no one was available to catch the thieves. He said “ok”, hung up, counted to 30 and called the police again.

“Hello. I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people in my shed? Well, you don't have to worry about them now – I've just shot them all.”

Within 5 minutes half a dozen police cars arrived, as well as a SWAT unit. They caught the burglars red-handed. One officer said to the man, “*I thought you said you shot them!*” He replied, “*I thought you said there was no one available!*”

A similar thing plays out regularly in our lives. Someone asks me to do something and I respond, “I don't have time.” But more than I care to admit, what I really mean is *it's not that important to me*. Truth is, we'll find the time—make the time—to do whatever we regard as important. As the old saying goes: You can always tell a person's priorities by looking at their calendar.

Summer, is has arrived. School is out. Vacations are planned. There is a lot going on. For all of us, we must choose those things which are of greatest importance to us. Just be careful your choices are those things which are also most important to God. The greatest men and women in the Bible were not those with the greatest resources or talents; they were men and women who made themselves available to be about God's business. May God never hear us say, “*Sorry, I'm not available!*”

Joyfully,

Pastor Aaron Kalbas



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Staffed Nursery

Every Sunday Morning

Here at St. John, we have a wonderful nursery for toddlers up to 3 years old. Ms. Jennifer Kidd, our nursery director, will always provide a clean, secure and Jesus-centered environment for your little one. Nursery is available during both the Sunday School & Bible Study hour and during the worship service.

If you are looking for devotional material to share with your family at home, you might want to check out:

pastoraaronkalbas.com

He also has interesting articles to read and other information posted on our Facebook page and website.

Pastor Aaron has a blog, “Blogging Through the Gospels” He will be posting on Tuesdays and Thursdays . Check it out on our webpage.



Pastor Aaron has started a bible study that doesn't just skip over the surface of God's word, but digs deep. Written by Pastor Aaron, this fascinating exploration into the Gospel—the very life and words of our Lord—will uplift you and give you insight to what it means to be Jesus disciple in a world gone crazy with sin. Besides, we all know we need to be in the Word a little more, anyway... take this opportunity and resolve to make it happen. The Pastor's Bible Study is held every Sunday morning at 9:00 in the gym. There will be coffee, donuts and other refreshments, so join some friends – or make some new ones – and come to Bible Study at St. John.



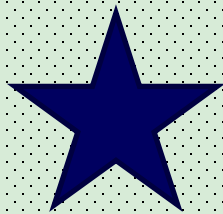
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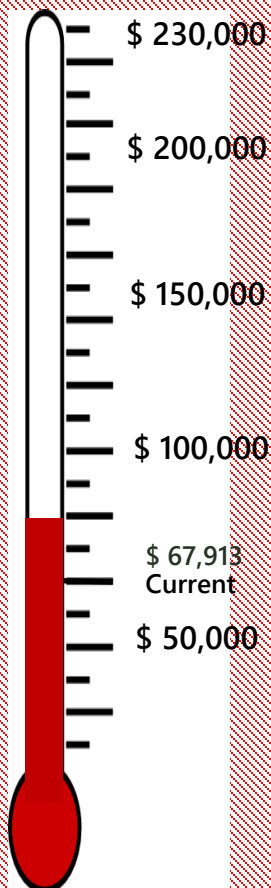
**Breakfast and
Sunday School
Sundays 9:00am**

**Church Worship
Sundays 10:00am
(Live streamed on
Facebook)**

**Quilting
Tuesday 9:00am**



BUILDING FUND



T Our Military & Families:

Ross Bates, Travis Beach, Josh Chorenziak, Isaac Jerrell, Krista Jerrell, Matthew Medina, Ernie Mendez, Payden Nolen, Cade Roenne, John Slough, Warren Stanley, Micah Stork, Brennan Stroud, Keith Garrett White.

T Our Homebound & Nursing Facility Residents

Focused Care: Kendra Code, Lillye Sanders, Jewell Zimmerman, Geraldine Kautzsch John Schoedel **Hamilton Health Care:** Corene Streger, Katherine Hopper **Belton:** Maxine Wenzel **Homebound:** Frances Donahoo, Ricky Brown, Artie Peters, Mae Pietzsch, Frances Schrank, Nell Helmcamp, Barbara Jahns, Irene Zaruba,

T Our Members:

Mae Pietzsch - Hospitalized

Bonnie Williams - undergoing cancer treatments

Jewell Zimmerman -stable

T Our Friends:

Oralia Alverado - (Angie Tawater's mother) various health issues

Noland Arbaugh - (Friend of Darryl & Michelle Beach) praying for complete healing of his paralysis

Molly Beach - (Niece of Darryl & Michelle Beach) suffering from an auto-immune disease

Bobby Cathey - (Tammy Wagner & Joe Cathey's father) various health issues

Gene DeLoach - cancer treatments continue, declining

Ossie Scott - (Doyle Robert's Sister) cancer has returned

T Praise and Thanks -

T For those who grieve -

T Special Prayers - Covid-19; Teachers & students; President & Government Officials; Medical Professionals; First Responders & Rescue crews; Fires and firefighters; Rain: The war in Ukraine

Please contact the church office at 254-386-3158 with updates on prayer requests for friends and loved ones. Thank you.



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Anniversaries

1st	Josh & Sarah Bauman	20 Yrs.
	Gary & Tommy Deutsch	48 Yrs.
2nd	Stephen & Rockie Heers	38 Yrs.
5th	Jerome & Alice Pietzsch	51 Yrs.
6th	Ryan & Missy Marwitz	13 Yrs.
13th	Kyle & Shawna McKandless	24 Yrs.
17th	Cynthia & Ross McElroy	16 Yrs.
20th	Doyle & Ima Roberts	58 Yrs.
24th	Sonny & Melissa DeLaGarza	16 Yrs.
26th	Nick & Michelle Cantara	12 Yrs.
	Travis & Linda Moore	58 Yrs.
27th	Gary & Dixie Gromatzky	58 Yrs.
28th	Dayle & Gayla Squyres	48 Yrs.
	David & Kim Tyson	37 Yrs.

Birthdays

1st	Alex Reich
4th	Jennifer Ivey, John Tyson
6th	Lynn Muxworthy
8th	Jon English, Gary Gromatzky
9th	Sloan Reich, Betty Tischler
10th	Shawna McKandless
11th	Jane Dodson
12th	Piper Hanson, Artie Peters, Martin Seider
13th	Kristi Wagner
16th	Lillye Sanders
19th	Nolan Cantara
20th	Rachel Jones
21st	Ryan Polster
23rd	Sarah Zschiesche
25th	Colton DeLaGarza, Fern Olalde
26th	Isaac Wenzel
28th	Easton Marwitz
29th	James Tischler
30th	Gary Deutsch

Baptisms

1st	Howard Cox
4th	Caden Hopper, Haley Hopper
10th	Shawna McKandless
13th	Neet Bushee, Derrel Hungerford, Amber Tyson
14th	Emilie Reeves
15th	Donna Abdou
16th	Betty Tischler
20th	Lynn Muxworthy, Sloan Reich
21st	Cecelia Jenson
22nd	Clayton DeLaGarza
23rd	Jerome Pietzsch
26th	Lillye Sanders
28th	Dennis Schoen
30th	Johnny Clark



Upcoming

June

Events

5th -	MITE BOX SUNDAY
	11:15am Bd of Elders
	1:30pm Nursing Home Devotions
12th	11:15am Bd. Of Trustees
	11:15am Bd. Of Outreach
14th -	1:00pm Glory Gamesters
	5:30pm Bd. Of Finance
19th	11:15am Preschool Bd.
21st-23rd	Hayday VBS
28th	6:00pm Church Council

Fathers Day Word Search

Find the hidden words.

S S D S S R L G Z T X K R L B
T E F L W E A L H I I A G N A
R K U O E T X O A S P H U G S
O O N O E H U U S B T R A E H
P J N T T G D E V O T E D G V
S T Y O H U S L S U M O N M G
F V C T H A W E R O Z O O N W
V I F E G L I E H Q R L I F H
D U S I P R T C E T O R P L O
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E T D M I U E A E C G U I I I
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A M T L Y Z G O I H A E I E A
F A M I L Y B R A V E P N P Y
N E R D L I H C Q B B R G S O

BBQ	FATHER	HOLIDAY	LAUGHTER	SPECIAL
BRAVE	FISHING	HOME	LOVE	SPORTS
CARING	FOOTBALL	HONOR	MEMORIES	STRONG
CHILDREN	FUNNY	HUGS	NURTURE	SWEET
DADDY	GIFTS	JOKES	PARENT	THOUGHTFUL
DEVOTED	GIVING	JUNE	PROTECT	TIE
FAMILY	HEART	KISSES	RESPECT	TOOLS



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Finance Update

St. John Lutheran
Statement of Income and Expense by Major Group
April of Fiscal Year 2022
Responsibility: All
Fund: 01 - General

	Current Month		Year-to-date	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Income				
00-Group 00	39,520.00	50,439.08	169,784.00	194,026.87
Total Income	39,520.00	50,439.08	169,784.00	194,026.87
Expense				
04-Board of Outreach	623.00	538.70	3,367.00	1,343.70
10-Board of Elders	13,995.33	14,736.51	60,257.32	58,982.43
12-Board of Education	1,058.00	2,850.01	3,792.00	2,951.10
13-Board of Trustees	8,765.00	9,628.48	35,429.00	39,660.68
14-Board of Finance	4,019.00	6,823.11	16,327.00	15,080.02
16-Preschool Board	9,101.67	11,033.94	40,898.68	41,372.79
20-Memorial Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-Non-Budget Expense	0.00	10,300.00	0.00	11,740.00
Total Expense	37,562.00	55,910.75	160,071.00	171,130.72
Income Less Expense	\$1,958.00	-\$5,471.67	\$9,713.00	\$22,896.15

AN EXCITING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY!!!!

The Board of Finance is reviewing possible uses for distribution of monies from St. John's Endowment Fund which was originally established to support pro-life causes in and around Hamilton. Currently the dividends we've received over the years have accumulated to over \$35,000! The LCMS is also currently matching funds that congregations use for prolife causes—this grant would enable us to double our money, should our application be accepted. What an incredible opportunity! Starting this Sunday, listen to announcements to learn more about how St. John plans to apply for these matching funds and then use them to protect and defend life in Hamilton County and beyond! We will be announcing ways that members of the congregation can get involved and contribute. And there will probably be a few field trips and/or events planned. Talk to Pastor Aaron if you'd like to learn more.

Harold Reich

St. John Lutheran Preschool: David & Gail Pickrell

In loving memory of



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Music Notes

By Gary Gromatzky

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise;
Father, all glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend;
Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy word success;
Spirit of holiness,
On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour;
Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of power.

To the great One in Three,
Eternal praises be
Hence, evermore!
His sovereign majesty,
May we in glory see,
And to eternity,
Love and adore!

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, Thou Almighty King is a hymn for which we have little or no background. Although it is one of the best known English hymns, we do not even know who wrote it. The text first appeared in a little pamphlet in 1757, together with a hymn by Charles Wesley. It too may be a Wesley hymn, but no hymnologist has ever claimed that it is.

Some churchgoers who sing these words frequently may not have noticed that this is a Trinity hymn. Each of the first three stanzas is addressed to a different member of the God-head, and the last stanza to “the great One in Three.” The first verse speaks to God the Father, our Almighty King, and is a prayer that He will help us to sing His praise. The last phrase mentions a name of God which is given in Daniel 7:22. “Ancient of Days” speaks of God’s eternity, his timelessness. He has always existed and He will always exist.

The second stanza, addressed to God the Son, reminds us of the opening words of John’s gospel’ “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” Here is a prayer to Jesus Christ who is God incarnate, God in the Flesh. Yes, Christ came the first time to be our Redeemer; He will come again to be our Judge.

The third stanza is a prayer to God the Holy Spirit, the Holy Comforter. The name here actually means “Paraclete” (Advocate or Lawyer) because the Holy Spirit represents Jesus Christ, now that the Son has returned to His Father in heaven. One of these lines reminds us that it is the Holy Spirit who “beareth witness with our Spirit, that we are the children of God.” Another phrase declares that, although God’s Spirit is almighty, He can only rule our hearts when we allow Him to do so.

The truth of the Trinity, that God is One yet Three or “One in Three,” cannot fully be understood. Many scholars have tried to probe its mystery and to express it in words. One of them, a certain Joseph Dare, has said: “Steam is water, and ice is water, and water is water; these three are one.”

Ref: “Crusader Hymns and Hymn Stories” The Billy Graham Evangelistic Ass., Minneapolis, Minnesota

Ruth Guild News

Thanks to those who took part in our Season of Hope collection of LWR Personal Care Kits. As those kits reach our ware houses they will quickly be processed and shipped out. Now more than ever, as the pandemic continues to threaten already vulnerable communities, we need a steady supply of kits to meet the demands of our partners worldwide.

Last year more than **70,000 PERSONAL CARE KITS** were distributed to 13 countries – Angola, El Salvador, Haiti and Lebanon to name a few. More countries stand waiting to receive shipments.

During the month of June, the Ruth Guild will be collecting Personal Care Kit items for Lutheran World Relief.

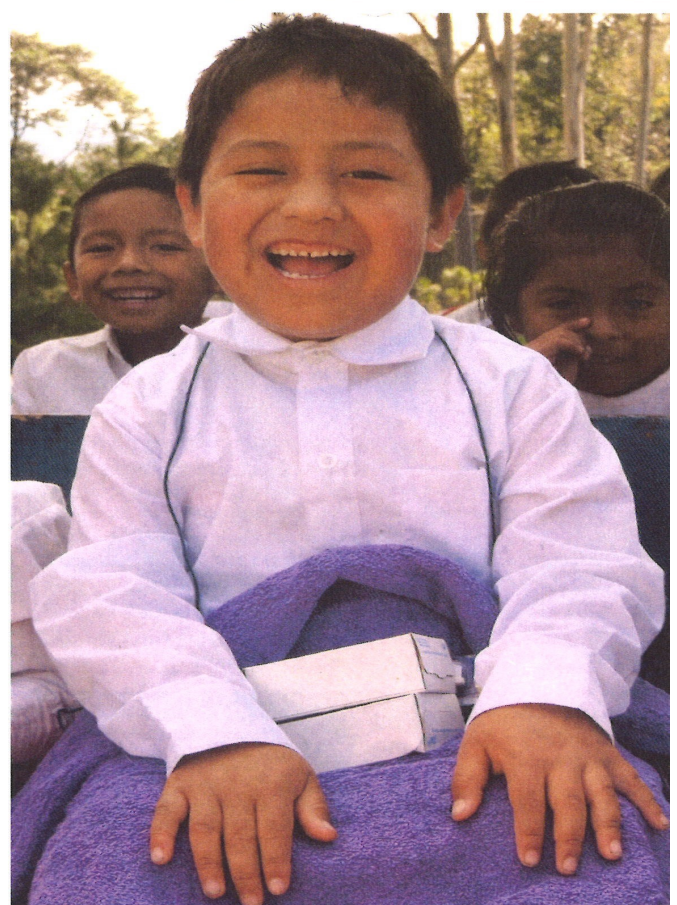
Each kit should contain:

- 1 light-weight bath-size towel (20x40" to 52-x27"), dark color recommended
- 2-3 bath-size bars of soap equaling 8-9 OZ, any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars.
- 1 adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging.
- 1 sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs); remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clippers (attached file optional). Remove packaging.

There will be a tote located in the narthex for your items. Cash donations are also welcome.

**MITE BOX SUNDAY
JUNE 5TH**

**RUTH GUILD
MEETS JUNE 26**





The Word Takes Flight

Propelling the Gospel LAMP Ministry Inc. — \$65,000

2021–2023 Biennium
Mission Goal:
\$2,150,000
Mission Grant #9
\$65,000

*By awesome deeds
you answer us with
righteousness,
O God of our
salvation, the hope
of all the ends
of the earth and
of the farthest seas
(Psalm 65:5).*

Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots (LAMP) ministry focuses on taking the Gospel to Indigenous People in northern Canada. LAMP ministry began in 1970 and the LWML has been an ongoing help to this ministry. Each year, hundreds of volunteer missionaries from the United States travel to remote areas to teach Vacation Bible School (VBS) to thousands of children using transportation provided by LAMP.

Currently there are nearly one million Indigenous People who live in isolated areas of northern Canada. These areas can only be reached by aircraft or seasonal roads. The number of local clergy and missionaries has declined dramatically and there is currently an entire generation of children and youth who have not been taught the Holy Scriptures and the hope that is theirs through Jesus. LAMP takes missionaries and volunteers into northern Canada to share the Gospel.

LAMP ministry uses small airplanes to get missionaries to these remote places. They depend on two aircraft to accomplish their mission. While the aircraft are older models — 1977 and 1979 — they are still extremely sound and dependable. These airplanes are required to have yearly inspections to make sure they are properly maintained and have received all the updates and requirements needed to keep them airworthy.

Technology is ever changing in our world today and the world of aviation has seen numerous advancements in avionics. Global Positioning Systems (GPS) have become a standard and the newer Wide Area Augmented System (WAAS) and the recent completion of the Aireon space-based air-traffic surveillance system have increased the safety and efficiency of avionic components. These types of avionics are necessary components for the pilots who fly out of the United States and into Canada.

The older avionics systems in these two airplanes need to be replaced. With this grant the two airplanes used by LAMP ministry can be upgraded and modernized to help ensure the safety of their pilots, missionaries, and volunteers as they propel the Good News to people living in remote areas of North America.

To learn more about LAMP – visit their website lampministry.org

Learn more about this mission grant at lwml.org/mission-grants





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St. John
HAY DAY!
Growing
in Friendship with Jesus
JUNE 21 - 23
(5:30 to 8:30 pm)
Dinner @ 5:00
VBS
Potty Trained 3yrs
thru in-coming
5th graders
LEARN MORE & Register
STJOHNHAMILTON.ORG

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY June 28, 6:00 pm

Please make sure a representative from your board is present at this meeting with a report on activities.

There will be a New Member Class starting in July. If you are interested in becoming a member of St. John, or just want a refresher course in the theology of the LCMS, please contact the church office or Pastor Kalbas.

GLORY GAMESTERS meet the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 PM.

Come join them for fun and fellowship!

St. John Youth Activities

High School Bible Studies

June 1 Kalbas House 6:30
 June 8 NYG AT FLC 6:30
 June 15 is NYG at FLC 6:30
 June 21-23 VBS
 June 29 Kalbas House 6:30



Promotion

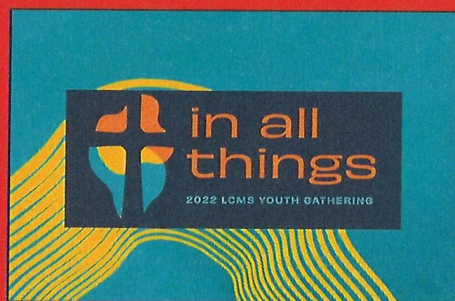
Sunday

May 29

All grades
move into
the next

school year for their Sunday
School classes and Youth
Group. Come grow!

WATCH FOR TEXTS ABOUT SPECIAL VBS DATES!



NYG BIBLE STUDY AND MEAL

Wednesday, June 8, 15 at
6:30

Pass out shirts, Use APP to
plan which sessions to

Promotion Sunday

May 29

Youth bring breakfast

JH: finger foods, fruit
 HS casseroles, breads
*Meet your new class and
 teachers. Start attending
 Youth Group Activities*

BIG ROCK PARK in Glen Rose for JH and HS

Monday, June 20

Leave at 8:00 am from FLC

Bring a Packed Lunch

Play in the water and on the rocks 9:00-11:00

11:00 lunch

11:30 Drive back home

12:30 Parent Pick up at FLC

Bring a towel, sunscreen, lunch, water

WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS! Sign up FLC

THANK YOU

We could not have survived the month of May without the many sponsors and volunteers for all of our activities. It was a busy month of ministry and fun. Thank you all for giving of your time to share with your child and provide opportunities for our community of kids.



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The righteous
man walks in
his integrity;
**His children
are blessed
after him.**

PROVERBS 20:7



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