



# NEWS FROM THE HILL

**AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST:**

**Sharing the Story,  
Living the Faith**

*Welcome!*

The Mission of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is...  
Making Christ known through worship, education,  
and witness, we invite and serve the community and  
beyond.

**Virginia Synod**

**ELCA**

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## **Reminder!**

Sunday, 7 Aug: 10:15 a.m. HYMN SING.  
Come early to lift hearts and voices together  
on our final Hymn Sing of summer!



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## **Choir begins a new season of Worship Music!**

**Wednesday, 31 August, 7:00 p.m.**

All voices are welcome to join the OSLC choir, which meets in room 1 on Wednesdays (7:00 p.m.) during the school year. We draw from every genre of sacred music, from early chants and motets to Spirituals and contemporary hymn arrangements.

Here are some points to consider:

1. Choir supports congregational singing

2. Choir provides a visual presence and worship leadership

3. Choir brings a broader repertoire to a worship service with image-rich poetry and melody

4. Choir provides opportunities to develop musical skills

5. Choir reflects the mission of the universal church, to work sacrificially for the common good, and introduce and affirm the faith

6. Our choir is an open, diverse, and welcoming group

7. "When one sings, one prays twice." - Martin Luther quoting St. Augustine

Contact Gigi Paddock for more information, [d-gpaddock@verizon.net](mailto:d-gpaddock@verizon.net)







*Williamsburg – James City County  
Community Action Agency*

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May 12, 2016

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
7479 Richmond Rd.  
Williamsburg, VA 23188

The Board of Directors and Staff want to express our gratitude for your generous donation of the 100 Boxes of Macaroni and cheese you provided to support our Feed the Need Program in December 2015.

In these challenging economic times we are extremely grateful for donations from our generous supporters in order to sustain the vital work of providing comprehensive, high quality services to low-income children and their families. Your contribution will enable us to continue these services which are in even greater demand these days.

Your support tells us that you believe in our mission and value the work that improves the lives of children and family. Please accept our heart-felt appreciation. We at WJCC Community Action Agency are continually inspired by the dedication and generosity of donors like you.

Community Action Agency is a tax exempt IRS 501 (c) (3) agency, so your donation is eligible as a charitable contribution on your federal income tax forms. No agency services have been or will be provided for this donation.

Again, thank you for your continued support of WJCC Community Action Agency.

Sincerely,

Reba Bolden  
Executive Director



**WILLIAMSBURG – JAMES CITY COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY MISSION STATEMENT –**  
*To act as a trusted resource of integrated services and community partnership that promotes self-sufficiency for individuals and families in targeted communities.*

### **Seeking individuals to serve as assisting ministers**

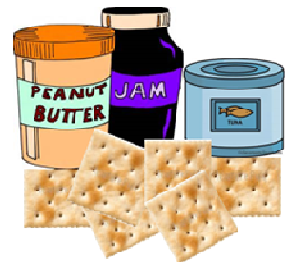
The Worship and Music Committee is seeking individuals to serve as assisting ministers. An assisting minister assists the presiding minister in worship by reading the Prayers of Intercession, the prayer over the gifts of bread and wine, distributing Holy Communion (baking the bread for the Sunday one serves – a simple recipe), saying the post-communion prayer and the sending. Additionally, the assisting minister assists the presiding minister at baptisms, funerals, and other worship occasions as needed. Currently, three people are trained as assisting ministers. The committee is seeking two to three more individuals. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the left-hand bulletin board in the back of the church. Training will be provided.

### **Seeking help for altar care**

For nearly a decade (or more), Dick Hartman has set up for Holy Communion, cleaned the chalices, decanter, and cruets, washed and pressed the linens, polished the brass, and replaced the candles “in season and out.” Worship and Music Committee invites you to join Altar Care. With four or more people serving on Altar Care, a person would only be responsible for one Sunday a month. A sign-up sheet to serve is posted on the bulletin board on the left as you depart. A training session will be announced.

### **Feeding the hungry**

Children receiving free or reduced breakfast and lunch at school may not have that option in the summer. Please help WELCA stock FISH’s pantry with peanut butter, jam, tuna and boxes of crackers so that we can make sure the children in our community will have something they can fix to eat.



### **REMINDER**

Our Saviour's is blessed with the support and energy of numerous groups that share these facilities. Please communicate ALL meeting dates, workshops, special events, and seasonal breaks, so the master calendar can stay current. **Planning ahead is vital!**

Thank you for your efforts!  
Church office: 757.564.3745  
oslc norge@verizon.net





## Genesis Youth Group welcomes summer 2016!

*Genesis is a combined youth group of Our Saviour's and Stone House Presbyterian Church. Leadership team includes parents of youth, plus Pastor Alex Creager of Stone House Presbyterian Church, and Pastor James Nickols of Our Saviour's. Middle school and high school youth are invited to participate!*



**Night Hike @ York River State Park - Saturday, 6 August, 8:00-10:00 p.m.** Contact Pastor Alex for headcount: [acreager@shpchurch.org](mailto:acreager@shpchurch.org).

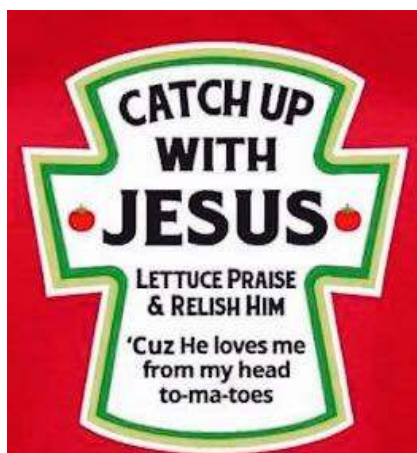


**Music Under the Stars @ Ft. Eustis - Thursday, 25 August, 7:00-9:00 p.m.** Bring picnic dinner and lawn chairs for an unforgettable evening with the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Band playing the "1812 Overture" (Tchaikovsky). Real cannon are used in this exciting work that commemorates Russian victory over Napoleon's invading army.

**GENESIS EMAIL: [oslc youth2016@gmail.com](mailto:oslc youth2016@gmail.com)**

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**Keeping it over our heads**

The header was meant to catch your attention. What do we want to keep over our heads? The roof!

There are two major capital expenditures that are coming in our direction soon: replacing the roof on the church and on the Parish Hall. During the past several wind storms, shingles have been flying off both the church and the Parish Hall. Last year, a leaky roof in the rear of the Parish Hall caused water damage in the Dorcas Room. During the repair, the contractor mentioned the roof is nearing its life expectancy.

In the coming weeks, estimates will be taken for the work on both roofs. In the meantime, the Parish Council will explore the options to pay for the work to be done. The Parish Council will keep you posted via the newsletter, email blasts, and announcements.

In the meantime, please use the Capital Improvement Fund envelope or make a special gift and designate it for the Capital Improvement Fund.

**Oktoberfest 2016 is less than 75 days away**

Proceeds from this year’s Oktoberfest, Saturday, 8 October, 1 pm, will benefit the Senior Champion Program. There are 14 seniors in the program at Our Saviour’s and 14 at New Zion Baptist Church. Both are coordinated by Colonial Heritage Community Foundation. Our Saviour’s is an inter-generational program funded by a grant from Virginia Tech through the Virginia Cooperative Extension, with children, ages 3 to 5, engaging seniors in various activities. Originally, we planned to add another day at Our Saviour’s. However, funding was lacking. With your help as a sponsor, auction item donor, or volunteer, we will be able to expand the senior program and enrich the lives of the children and seniors by adding another day of interaction. **There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall hallway for gift baskets for the auction. For more information, please contact Our Saviour’s at (757.564.3745 or email [oslcnoige@verizon.net](mailto:oslcnoige@verizon.net)).**



**Church Contributions towards Operating Expenses**  
**2016**

	<b>Budgeted Giving</b>	<b>Actual Giving</b>
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>\$61,818</b>	<b>\$66,503</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>\$10,303</b>	<b>\$10,502</b>

Thank you! Current giving remains strong into the summer months.



Many people receiving care from Stephen Ministers are unchurched people. Stephen Ministry is an outreach tool. A primary dynamic of the aging population is *isolated living*. Many people have moved here from somewhere else and are pretty much on their own—without family or a support system. Other people are alone through divorce, spouse has passed on, children are grown and live out of state, compounded through retirement without a daily job to go to. They may have moved here to take a new job and are far from family and friends. This actually becomes a big opportunity for the church to *really be the church*—to be a family for folks who

are lonely, searching spiritually, or in pain. But a church can't be a support system if it isn't equipped to help people during moments of pain. At OSLC, Stephen Ministry has helped us to equip people so when somebody is in pain, we're able to say, "Here's someone who can come alongside you and love you." I think we're living in an age where this kind of need is increasing dramatically.

It is ironic that people are more isolated today when technology has given us more ways than ever to communicate. Robert Putnam [author of *Bowling Alone*] has written a lot about the loss of social capital. The sense of connectedness through family, service organizations, and community involvement has been on the decline in our culture for a long time—and the decline continues. That means people have an even greater need for a place to connect—a community where they can be part of a family. Stephen Ministry is really helpful for us in meeting that need. You're asked to invite the neighbor, the exercise class friend from the Y, those new folks that moved and play canasta with you to faith and family and a connection. For those folks that are hurting and you are not sure what to say or how to help, Stephen Ministers are available. They do not have to belong to our Saviour's Lutheran Church nor do they have to join (although we won't say no), they do not have to share our Christian faith. Our Ministry will remain Christ-shaped and Christ-defined.

The reason Stephen Ministry was started was to fill a gap in care. People needed more focused care than a friend could offer but less than a mental health professional would provide. We invite you to refer *friends* to seek a Stephen Minister to walk with, pray with, listen and hear them. We are available and ready for you, the new person at work, friends, neighbors and gym buddies. Everything is confidential always.

We join in prayer for the ministers in our church, our members, our community, the earth, and all of those who are in need. We will walk with you and let the Holy Spirit be our guide. May you, through our Lord Jesus Christ, receive what God has promised all of us, grace, mercy, and peace.

Evie Braukhoff  
Stephen Minister Leader

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**Pam Wildenburger Stephen Minister**  
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# GREATER WILLIAMSBURG OUTREACH MISSION

April 15, 2016

Pastor, Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
7479 Richmond Rd.  
Williamsburg, VA 23188

Dear Pastor:

On behalf of the Greater Williamsburg Outreach Mission (GWOM), thank you and the Upper James City County Ministerium for your gift of \$420. Your contribution and the assistance of your church members will allow us to focus on the unmet needs of the homeless population in our area, via a new respite center, the Harbor.

The Harbor offers a welcoming and friendly environment for our most vulnerable neighbors. We provide access to community services; a breakfast and warm mid-day meal; a place of daytime respite; access to books, magazines, computers, phone chargers, showers and restrooms; and hygiene kits, towels and undergarments.

We are driven by our common belief in the dignity of the individual and seek to restore those elements required for human decency – starting with food, shelter, clothing, employment, health care and education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shannon D. Woloszynowski', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Shannon D. Woloszynowski  
Board Chair





## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Jennie Miller
- 3 Terry Zimmerman
- 4 Cheri Lyons
- 5 Taylor Lyons
- 6 Debra Daily
- 9 Ken Gustafson
- 14 Dot Ringlesbach
- 15 Larry Daily
- 16 Tess Kimmel
- 17 Andy Priestley
- 22 Janet Forgrave  
David Stratton
- 24 Landes Sheets

## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES



2 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Rorer
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**NOTE: If you have not seen your birthday or anniversary listed, and would like it included, please contact the office at 757-564-3745 or email [oslcnorge@verizon.net](mailto:oslcnorge@verizon.net).**

## Lifting in Prayer



**Church family:** Phyllis Cody, Janet Forgrave, Jeanne Fullman, Ann Gautreaux, Thelma Lee, Janice Leonard, Teena Opheim, Dot Ringlesbach, William Rorer, III, Gloria Stratton, Helen Walz, and Bruce Wildenberger.

**Family and Friends:** Donna Benson, Kira Braukhoff, Chaplain Roy Bebee, Baby Zadie Loretta Brown, Betty, Frank Clarkson, Ellen Cobb, Jonathan Cooper, Virginia Crothers, Nancy Curtis, Pastor John S. Damm, Leslie Davis, Carol Duke, Pastor Einarsen, Frank Feeser, Larry Felts, Bonnie Forman, Donna Garrett, Glenda, Kelly Gray, Butch Gross, Matthew Hafer, Pastor Arthur and Irene Hanson, Andy Hintz, Leah Hoffman, Susan Hutchens, Barbara Jacobson, Allen Jenson, Annette Johnson, Cynthia Jones, Jason Justice, Evelyn Kirby, Rachel Lawson, Lindsay, Katherine Martin, Vivian Matthews, Richard McQuigg, Randolph Musmann, Letha Olson, Gene & Betty Pettingill, Donna Phillips, John Phillips, Ann Price, Bill Ridenour, Pastor Tom Shelley, Rosemary Slayton, Grant Sylvestri, Bob & Judy Tubbs, Louis Turnage, Sr., and Cindy Warner.

**NOTE: To add or remove a person's name from the Prayer List, please contact the church office at 757-564-3745 or email [oslcnorge@verizon.net](mailto:oslcnorge@verizon.net).**

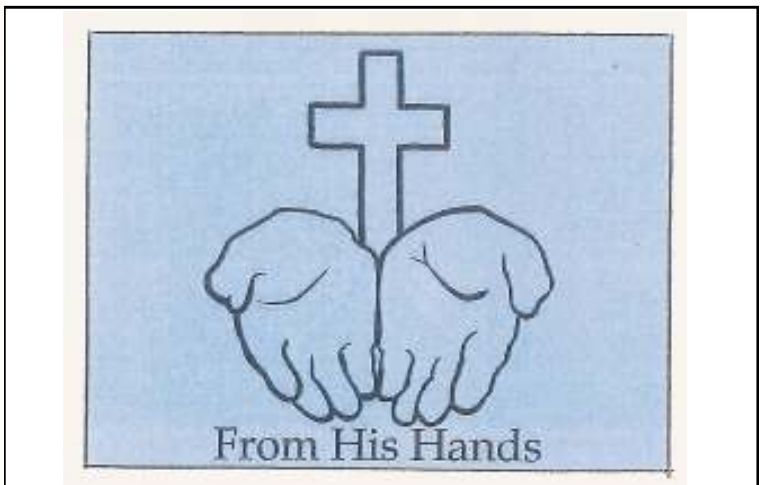
May 18, 2016

Dear Fr. A. K. Partney

On behalf of the people we serve From His Hands would like to thank you for your continued support. Through your time & donations you are making a difference in the lives of the people we serve.

Peace & Blessings

From His Hands Executive Committee





# SOUVENIRS OF SUMMER

EVERY GARDEN IS A SHOWPLACE  
WHEN AUGUST ROLLS AROUND.  
BIRDS AND BLOOMS BRING DAILY BLESSINGS  
WHEN FARMERS' MARKETS ABOUND.  
THERE ARE MOMENTS TO REMEMBER  
ON SUNNY DAYS LIKE THESE  
WATCHING SUNSETS BY THE SEASHORE  
WITH A SOFT, SUMMER BREEZE.

THERE ARE CAMPING TRIPS, SOME CLAM BAKES  
AND SEASHELLS GALORE,  
AND THE ARTISTRY OF HUMMINGBIRDS  
JUST OUTSIDE OUR BACK DOOR.  
WHEN THE WEATHER'S HOT AND HUMID  
WE FIND RELIEF IN THE SHADE  
WITH SOME ICE-COLD WATERMELLON  
OR FRESH-SQUEEZED LEMONADE.

IT'S A TIME FOR DREAMING DAYDREAMS  
WITH CLEAR BLUE SKIES ABOVE,  
A TIME TO TAKE VACATIONS  
WITH THE ONES WE LOVE.  
OUR WORLD IS FILLED WITH MIRACLES,  
AND WONDEROUS SIGHTS TO SEE  
AS EACH SOUVENIR OF SUMMER  
BECOMES A TREASURED MEMORY.

Day Harrison  
2016



# AUGUST 2016



**LECTORS:**

7 Joanne Weber  
 14 Pam Wildenberger  
 21 Brandon Tate  
 28 Joanne Weber

**USHERS:**

7 Richard & Janette Kline  
 14 Neal Miller & Karen Dutton  
 21 Richard Hartman & Joyce Moore  
 28 David Jenson & Barbara Broady

**ASSISTING MINISTERS:**

7 Richard Hartman  
 14 Evie Braukhoff  
 21 Scott Braukhoff  
 28 Richard Hartman

**ACOLYTES:** Nya Hubbard 8/7

8/14 Rose Paddock 8/21 Ashley Youngk 8/28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 9:00 - 1:00 PM Flute Frenzy Summer Camp  7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>2</b> 3:00 - 5:30 PM Playin' For Fun 9:00 - 1:00 PM Flute Frenzy Summer Camp  7:00 PM AA	<b>3</b> 10:00 - 2:00 PM Senior Program/ Family Focus 9:00 - 1:00 PM Flute Frenzy Summer Camp 5:30 - 9:00 PM Flute Frenzy Fantasia Choir	<b>4</b> 9:00 - 1:00 PM Flute Frenzy Summer Camp	<b>5</b> 9:00 - 1:00 PM Flute Frenzy Summer Camp	<b>6</b> 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM <b>Colonial            Piecemakers</b>  8:00 - 10:00 PM Youth Night Hike @ York River State Park
<b>7 TWELFTH SUNDAY            AFTER PENTECOST</b> 10:15 AM Hymn Sing 10:30 AM +Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 6:00 PM Restaurant Reviewers-TBA 6:30 PM AA	<b>8</b> 6:00 PM Boy Scouts Patrol Leaders Conference  7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> 10:00 AM Worship & Music 3:00 - 5:30 PM Playin' For Fun 7:00 PM AA 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Committee Meeting	<b>10</b> 10:00 - 2:00 PM Senior Program/ Family Focus 4:00 - 6:00 PM Traveling Shakespeare Group 5:30 - 9:00 PM Flute Frenzy Fantasia Choir	<b>11</b>   7:00 PM Finance Meeting in Teller Room	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  8:00 AM Men's Group Meeting  8:00 AM Scouts Painting Parking Stops
<b>14 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY            AFTER PENTECOST</b> 10:30 AM +Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 11:30 AM Parish Life Committee Meeting 6:30 PM AA	<b>15</b>   7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>16</b> 3:00 - 5:30 PM Playin' For Fun  7:00 PM AA	<b>17</b> 10:00 - 2:00 PM Senior Program/ Family Focus  5:30 - 9:00 PM Flute Frenzy Fantasia Choir	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  10:00 AM Casserole Caravan
<b>21 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY            AFTER PENTECOST</b> 10:30 AM +Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 12:30 PM Parish Council Meeting & Shared Meal 6:30 PM AA	<b>22</b>   7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>23</b> 3:00 - 5:30 PM Playin' For Fun  4:00 - 6:00 PM CHCF Board Meeting 7:00 PM AA	<b>24</b> 10:00 - 2:00 PM Senior Program/ Family Focus	<b>25</b>   7:00 - 9:00 PM Music Under the Stars @ Ft. Eustis	<b>26</b>   6:00 - 9:00 PM Jay's Jam	<b>27</b>
<b>28 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY            AFTER PENTECOST</b> 10:30 AM +Holy Communion 11:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 12:30 PM Church Picnic @ OSLC 6:30 PM AA	<b>29</b>   7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>30</b> 3:00 - 5:30 PM Playin' For Fun  7:00 PM AA	<b>31</b> 10:00 - 2:00 PM Senior Program/ Family Focus  7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal			