

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF

The Parish Paper of Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church
6020 Rattlesnake Hammock Road (Corner of Santa Barbara)
Naples Florida 34113

AUGUST, 2019
Volume 12 - Issue 6
Editors: Lynn Dickerman
& Linda Tidmore

WELCOME, PASTOR JEFF, KELLI, AND ABRAHAM!



SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES
LUTHERAN CHURCH

PASTOR'S PAGES . . .

The author of Ecclesiastes says, "There is a time for every matter under heaven." This scripture is truly a blessing in times of pastoral transition. In times of transition, there is so much uncertainty in the church, and perhaps even a bit of anxiety. The natural instinct is to work quickly to call (many even say hire) a new Pastor. But God invites us to slow down a bit to allow the Holy Spirit to work in God's time to call the Pastor with the gifts that are needed to shepherd the Church. As I shared in the sermon on my first Sunday, God was with Shepherd of the Glades from the time Pastor Doug announced his retirement to the time I accepted the call. And God continues to be with us as we journey together in our faith journey. I invite you to reflect on my experience of the many ways God was and is present in the call process.



There is a time for every matter under heaven. As I discerned my call to Shepherd of the Glades, there was a time for me to let go of the familiar and comfortable. What I experienced as I trusted in God and God's timing was an incredible thing. I experienced the power of prayer as people of Shepherd of the Glades were praying for me - even though you did not yet know me. I experienced the love of God in Christ Jesus through the people who served on the Call Committee and the Church Council as they interviewed me. I experienced the love and welcome of this congregation when Kelli and I came to Shepherd of the Glades for the "meet and greet". Through prayer, I determined God was calling me to serve Shepherd of the Glades. That was the easy part. There was much to do before our arrival. First, there came a time for my family to celebrate the marriage of one of our children. It was a beautiful time of celebration. Then came a time to spend a week with boy scouts at camp in northern Minnesota. This was a great time to enjoy with Abraham and spend a lot of time in prayer about the many changes that were about to happen. It was also time to plan our move. It meant leaving behind all our non-essential "stuff." Some of you have experienced this, so you understand the challenges that come with such a big move. But God was with us through it all. We felt the love and prayers of the members of Shepherd of the Glades even when we became frustrated. Then it was time to arrive and move into our new home ... or not. God had other plans. Our closing took two days longer than we had planned. But God was with us in those two days as we lived in a time of uncertainty about when we could move in to our new home. There are times in all of our lives when we do not have control of what is happening, and it is in those times we need to fully trust in God. There is no time in our lives that God is not with us. My family and I were blessed as the generosity and care of our new faith community made sure we were provided with all our needs, including a place to stay.

There is a time for every matter under heaven. And now is a time for me to say, "Thank you!" There are too many individuals to thank for all that has been done to

WE HAVE CALLED A NEW PASTOR . . .

make the call process and our safe arrival possible. So I want to address all who made the call process such a success in God's time. Thank you for making our family feel welcome. Thank you for your prayers and for your patience and trust in the call process. Thank you for the love and support you have shown throughout the call process. The time has come for me to serve as your Pastor, and my family and I are grateful and blessed to be a part of the ministry we share at Shepherd of the Glades. I look forward to all the "time" we will spend together. May it all be to the Glory of God.

Joyfully serving Christ,

Pastor Jeff

GETTING TO KNOW YOU . . .

AUGUST 11, 2019 "WELCOME BRUNCH" PHOTOS



NEWS IN THE SHEEPFOLD. . .

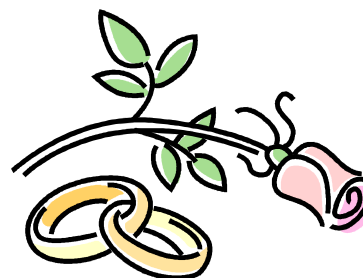


If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the office so we can update our information and not miss you next time! YOU are special to us!

HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS TO . . .

August 1	Beverly Bartczak
August 1	Karen Cox
August 2	Damon Delp
August 4	Carol Christian
August 6	Jay Berthe
August 6	Christopher Farnsworth
August 6	Joan Maywood
August 6	Thomas Moore
August 6	Michael Patten
August 8	Ronald Modjeska
August 8	Deborah Moeser
August 8	Polly Orner
August 8	David Willits
August 9	Marilyn Stadler
August 10	Steve Snover
August 10	Virginia Trendel
August 10	Phillip Willman
August 13	Robert Dyer
August 14	James Brooks
August 15	Dorothy Julien
August 17	Don Bohler
August 17	Elouise Larson
August 18	Anne Buck
August 18	Annette Larson
August 21	Howard Wiesener
August 22	Betty Sauer
August 23	Lori Barnabei
August 23	Barbara Cholewa
August 26	Carole Michel

August 27	Ron Dahl
August 29	Nancy Bullock
August 29	Jenna Snover
August 30	Christine Willits
August 31	Luana LaStella
August 31	Charolette Wahlig



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES . . . HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

August 2	Heidi & Michael Dziubla
August 4	Leslie & Hank Beers
August 4	Virginia & Yerry Madison
August 6	Vi & Don Bohler
August 7	Debbie & Donald McWaters
August 8	Carolyn & Jack Fee
August 11	Sandy & Doc Lofthouse
August 12	Be & James Oppermann
August 14	Jane & Ron Limpus
August 18	Barb & Chuck Keller
August 18	Karen & Brad Puerner
August 20	Elaine & Jim Sima
August 25	Mary Lee & Kenneth Jordan
August 25	Sherry & Ed Larson
August 26	Bonnie & Ron Dahl
August 29	Brenda & William Charleston
August 30	Doris & Bill Marderness

CARING CONNECTIONS . . .

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Anna	Heather & her mother	Pat & Kraig
Anthony	Helen	Lindsay S. Porto
Lynn Arbeiter & Family	Ted Henning	Karen Puerner
Susan Aspro	Joanne Hogan	Beverly Renning
Charlie Bain	Family of Pat Hulsemann	Robert
Ryan Bebb	Jeannie	Victor & Yolanda Rodrigues
Betty Baker	Jonas	Ruth
Betty	Judy & Rich	Greta Schamberger
Merlyn Bowers	Justin	Richard J. Schmidt
Carolyn Case & Family	Stefanie Kopecke	Ken Sebe and Wife
Dianne, Kate & Mark Connell	Glen Ladic	Family of Merle Sellman
Liza Corson	Bryant Lane	Elaine Sima
Marjean Cossette	Sheryl Lane	Micah Smith
Roland Cumor	Ed Larson	Paul Smith
Marion Davis	Anita Lehr	Ruth Spears
Frances Dise	Len Locey	Spiegel Family
Family of Esther Dressler	Martha Mahon	Susan Sweet
Drew Family	Marie H.	Ron Sweet, Jr.
Joann Dunn	Howard Mattick	Harvey Sylpie's Family
Coleen, Glenn, & Susan Evans	Paula McCarthy	Tommy's Family
Jimmy F.	Jack McKenna	Christina Warrilow
Mike Feldman	Debbie McWaters	Shirley Watson
Michelle Fetzer	Nancy Moran	Lana Williams
Joan Fine	Carl Morken	Rachel Witte
Gerald Gibbons	Frank Ordway	Diane Wright
Heather	The Oczarzak Family	Tony & Connee Zeman

Please let us know when someone should be added or removed from the Prayer List.

REMEMBER THOSE IN SERVICE TO THEIR COUNTRY . . .

Staff Sergeant Adam Crown

Warrant Officer, Christopher Farnsworth

Airman Corey Malinowski

Capt. Michael Scott

Army Sergeant Kendra Stofflet at Ft. Eustis Army Base, VA

Army Sergeant Robert Stofflet in South Korea



CALENDAR CUES . . .

Sunday, August 11, 2019, 11:00 a.m. “Welcome Brunch” for Unga Family

Thursday, August 22, 2019, 11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for J. Andrew Brough

Friday, August 16, 2019, Deadline for September Newsletter submissions

Tuesday, September 10, 2019, 5:30 p.m. Council meeting

ANNOUNCEMENT ALLEY . . .

Office hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ONE Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m. continuing through Sunday, December 29, 2019.

A CALL FOR ACTION:

Every week, Shepherd of the Glades collects and donates canned and boxed food to help persons in need at St. Matthew’s House, Grace Place, and Immokalee Friendship House. Suggested items are canned food of all kinds, powdered milk, peanut butter, jellies/ jams, cereals, soups, rice, pasta, etc. Items need to be within code date and unopened. Just bring your donations to the church and give to the ushers every Sunday morning. All items are delivered the end of each month. We extend our thanks to all who faithfully give food items for our local need organizations. The last donations were just delivered to St. Matthew’s House.



SEW-SEW GROUP

Sew-Sews are adjourned for the summer. Please stay tuned for a starting date in the Fall.



RECEIVED HIS VICTORY IN THE LORD . . .

J.Andrew Brough received his victory in the Lord on Friday, August 2, 2019 in Naples. His memorial service will be at SOTG on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

FINANCIALLY, HOW ARE WE DOING? . . .

PERIOD: Seven Months Ended July, 2019

	Actual	Budget	Difference: Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Income	\$193,437	\$234,675	(\$41,238)
Operating Expense	\$155,202	\$162,602	\$7,400
Net Income (Deficit)	\$38,235	\$72,073	(\$33,838)



AUGUST, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 8TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP W/ PASTOR JEFF	5 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	6	7 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	8	9	10
11 9TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP W/ PASTOR JEFF 11:00 A.M. WELCOME BRUNCH	12 9-10:00 A.M. BONE BUILDERS	13	14 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	15	16 DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS	17
18 10TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP W/ PASTOR JEFF	19 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	20	21 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	22 11:00 A.M. MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR J. ANDREW BROUGH	23	24
25 11TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST 9:30 A.M. WORSHIP W/ PASTOR JEFF	26 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	27	28 9:00-10:00 A.M.- BONE BUILDERS	29	30	31

The Shepherd of the Glades Parish Newsletter is sponsored by:



Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church
6020 Rattlesnake Hammock Road
Naples, FL 34113

**NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
NAPLES, FL
PERMIT # 18**

Dated material mailed August 16, 2019
Please deliver between August 16—August 20, 2019

Current Resident or

This Parish Paper is from:
Shepherd of the Glades Lutheran Church
6020 Rattlesnake Hammock Road (Corner of Santa Barbara Blvd.)
Naples, FL 34113
(239) 775.0696 FAX: (239) 793.2465
Web Page: <http://www.sotgweb.org>
Email: sotg1@embarqmail.com
Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.
Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Pastor Jeff Unga, Pastor [cell phone: 641-529-2479]
Megan Cianflone, Director of Music
Lawrence Buettner, Council President
Lynn Dickerman and Linda Tidmore, Admin. Assistants to the Pastor
Rev. H. Peter Lyberg, Pastor Emeritus