

AUGUST



Will Smith – 08/02
 Gretchen Hansen – 08/04
 Deacon Jacob – 08/04
 Jeff Hansen – 08/05
 Johann Andes – 08/07
 Nadiah Ali – 08/09
 Mike Wilkinson – 08/09
 Dave VanRuden – 08/14
 Dorothy Holland – 08/15

Rachel VanRuden – 08/16
 Tiffany Cooper – 08/17
 Josette Lisowski – 08/20
 Carrie Smukal – 08/20
 Quiten Lisowski – 08/23
 Pam Sinclair – 08/23
 Robert Barclay – 08/26
 Karen Merrill – 08/27
 Mike Smolko – 08/29



Matt & Elizabeth Preuss – 7 years – August 1st
John & Sharon Boehme – 34 years – August 6th
Julie & Glen Heldt – 36 years – August 16th

YOUTH GROUP EVENT - OUTDOOR GAMES AND PIZZA DAY (8/21 - REVISED DATE!)

We have scheduled an end of the summer Youth Group event for Sunday, August 21st from about 10:30am through 1pm on the Parish House grounds. We are inviting all of our Pentecost Youth (entering 8th grade through early 20s age range) for a few hours of games, including a blind draw Bags (Cornhole) tournament or two for those interested. Pizza, chips, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a friend (or more) if you would like and RSVP if you plan on attending to Kyle Jacob in person sometime or at 262-456-8021 or jacobk47@yahoo.com.

Missions & Evangelism is so excited to seek “Him” - and we hope you will join us in this Jesus revival! Do you know Jesus, but want to know Him better? Do you know Jesus, but feel disconnected? Don’t know Jesus, but want to? Join us Saturday mornings from 9-10:00am on this journey too”Seek Him”. This Bible study was written by Nancy Demoss Wolgemuth and Tim Grissom. It is a weekly, 12 week-long study beginning Saturday, 7/23/2022 at 9:00am at Pentecost Lutheran Church: 2213 Coolidge Ave, Racine, WI. “Experience the joy of a personal revival”



- Restore your first love for Jesus
- Resolve conflicts
- Rekindle a desire for God’s Word
- Reenergize your life
- Repair your relationships
- Remove bitterness, fear, and worry
- Renew your mind
- Refresh your spirit

We hope you will join us on this 12 week journey! If you have any questions, please contact Kathy McGregor at 262-634-0938.

LOVE DOING PUZZLES? Need some new ones? Come to the new Pentecost puzzle exchange! Bring a puzzle you’re done with and find a new one to take. The puzzle exchange will be located in the fellowship hall near the nursery. Any questions ask Kathy, Sharon, or Katy.



FOOD DRIVE – Lucy Bitner, along with Missions & Evangelism, is hosting a Food Drive for a family friend in need. Stephanie Richter, a mother of two, has been battling cancer for a few years and her prognosis is grim with an estimate of two months or so. We would like to collect food for the family during the month of August that will be given to them on a weekly basis. Your participation in this collection is greatly appreciated.



Thank you so much to everyone who has so generously donated to our prison bible ministry. We just recently sent another 12 marked bibles out to Washington. A pastor there runs 25 halfway houses and his bibles were getting worn out. (A good problem!). This brings our total bibles sent to 58. We have sent them to: Illinois, Missouri, Washington, and California. If you would like to contribute to this great ministry, please mark your donation for ‘prison bible ministry’. Thank you from the Missions and Evangelism Committee.



Thank you so much to everyone who have supported and prayed for me and my trip to the LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas! I had a wonderful experience volunteering for the Gathering. It was my first time going as a Gathering Ambassador (previously known as a Yellow Shirt or CLB which stands for Community Life Builder). After over a year of planning the trip to Houston, I cannot believe it is over. It went by so fast.

I landed in Houston from Chicago on July 5th. I was lucky enough to know my roommate, Amber! I previously volunteered with Amber at the 2019 Gathering in Minneapolis. We were in the same small group together, volunteering with the off-site servant events. Amber picked me up from the airport in Houston, and we were able to get me all checked in at the hotel. After that, we went to pick up her mom, Kandi, (they had driven down a few days beforehand from Minnesota) and we took off for Galveston, Texas! It was absolutely beautiful there. While in Galveston, we went to Pleasure Pier and went on some rides there. While on the pier we were able to look out onto the Gulf of Mexico and we saw a dolphin swimming around! We went into the Gulf for a little bit before we went and had dinner at the Spot. The next day I had a slow start. Amber and Kandi picked me

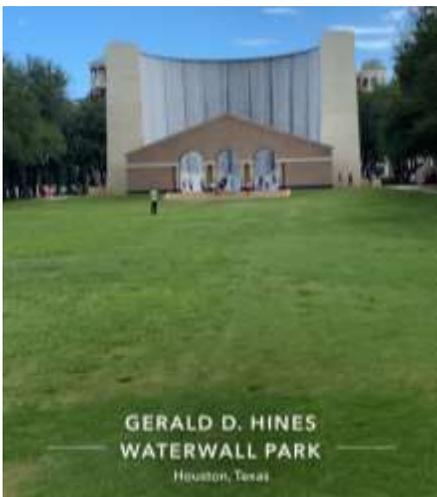
up from the hotel and we ran some errands before the Gathering began. We also stopped at the Water Wall in the Galleria, it was a very cool sight to see! After dinner at Whataburger, we had to report to the Convention center (aka the GRB) for our first day of training. It was at this first night of training that we were able to meet the other Ambassadors staying in our hotel, they were our carpool for training, and we found out that it was all hands on deck for being Hotel Lead in our hotel... since there was not a Hotel Lead assigned to our hotel. Hotel Lead is a Gathering Ambassador that is assigned to be the main contact with hotel staff and a point person for Youth Group Leaders staying in the hotel for any questions or concerns while staying in the hotel. Thursday morning we were up bright and early for the second day of training. We were at the GRB all day doing training and learning the building itself so we were prepared for when everyone started to show up. After training was over, Amber and I went out to eat with our carpool group, (Pastor Tim and his wife Annalisa) and their small group at the Rustic. Amber and I ordered brisket tacos together, they were amazing. But the portion size was HUGE. We ended up sharing tacos with our table and still had enough to pack it up and take it with us. Walking back to the car Amber and I were thinking, and we did not have a microwave in our room... so when passing by a local homeless woman, we decided to give our leftovers to her. It was a very moving experience since she was concerned about taking food from us, when we just wanted to give it to her! Pastor Tim, Annalisa, Amber, and I all prayed for her before we walked back to the car. During the next day (our last day of training) we got more information on what job we were exactly supposed to be doing during the Gathering. I was assigned to help with sessions and Hotel Lead. We finished up our training during the day on Friday. Dinner on Friday was at a nice, expensive place called the Grove. I went with Pastor Tim, his sister, Annalisa, and some other random volunteers that just happened to come along because they didn't have any dinner plans! It was really nice. We closed the night with worship with all of the volunteers.

The first day of the Gathering has arrived! Pastor Tim and I stayed in the hotel lobby, meeting all the youth groups that were first coming in to check into the hotel; answering questions and giving basic information they would need to know about shuttles, bible studies, and anything else they needed to know. After that I was able to walk to my mom's hotel (just 0.2 miles away from mine!) and meet up with her group so we could head to lunch and the GRB area. We had lunch at Pappasito's, another delicious meal. We walked around the GRB area to get ourselves familiar before the next day when the GRB opens. Before heading to the opening Mass Event, mom and I got Italian ices from one of the food trucks that's stationed outside the GRB. I said goodbye to my mom for the night as we walked into Minute Maid Park (MMP) as they had assigned seats and I went to sit in Volunteer Seating for the first mass event! The opening Mass Event was absolutely amazing, back at it again after 3 years, my favorite part of the whole gathering! They closed the first Mass Event with fireworks, and then everyone filed out to either walk to their hotel (downtown area hotels) or get in line for the shuttle back to the Galleria hotels that are about a 20 minute drive away. Sunday morning I got on the first shuttle to meet my mom at the GRB so we could walk around the convention center floor before I had to be at my job. I was able to visit the District Booths and see some familiar faces! Then I was off to my station in the General Assembly to man my door. During my job, I had to stand by a door entering the biggest room in the GRB so people could get in and out of the sessions as they needed. During all 3 days of the Gathering that is where I spent the majority of my time. We had 2 bible studies in that room, along with an Apollo LTD concert, and Jeffery Williams the Astronaut spoke after the concert. So it was the same schedule for me all 3 days that sessions were going on. After sessions ended, I met with my mom and her group for dinner. We got food from the food trucks and I got a brisket and mac and cheese egg roll. Again, I was not

disappointed with the food. Then we were off to the second Mass Event! Monday morning I was also able to get on one of the first shuttles, my mom and I met up and went to a session together. Then I was back to my job at one of the doors in the General Assembly. Sunday's food was BBQ pulled pork over French fries for lunch, then gumbo for dinner (YUM!). After dinner we made our way to MMP for the next Mass Event. Tuesday morning - the last full day of the Gathering and last day of sessions; I couldn't believe it was already almost over. Tuesday I started out my morning in the hotel lobby to be available for any youth group leaders that had questions or needed assistance. Then I made it onto an empty shuttle after that and rode over to the GRB. I went straight to my job after arriving at the GRB. After all the day's sessions were over I helped clean up signs and other things since we were all done! I met up with my mom again for dinner and had some disappointing Chinese food. After that we started to head over to the last nightly Mass Event. Then finally, the last day, Wednesday morning I got a ride with my roommate and some other volunteers we met during the Gathering to head to the Worship Service at MMP. We were able to walk right in before the youth! I went straight for the best seats and my mom and her group met up with me. We all sat together for Worship. It was so amazing to experience all of this with my mom! After the Gathering was over, I went to NASA with my mom's group and went on some tours there. We found some delicious pizza for dinner and then made our way back to our hotel for our last night in Houston. Thursday morning, Amber picked me up and took me to the airport. I was able to say goodbye to my mom and her group in the airport since our gates were right next to each other.

I have been so blessed to be a part of so many Gatherings. In All Things, God has been with me through it all!

Thanks again to all that have supported me!
 Jenna Geyer



Stewardship Corner

EASILY GIVEN

It was only a sunny smile,
And little it cost in the giving;
But it scattered the night like morning light,
And made the day worth living. ...

It was only a kindly word,
A word that was lightly spoken;
Yet not in vain, for it stilled the pain
Of a heart that was nearly broken. ...

It was only a helping hand,
And it seemed of little availing;
But its clasp was warm, and it saved from harm
A brother whose strength was failing. ...

A smile may lighten the falling heart,
A word may soften pain's keenest smart,
A touch may lead us from sin apart.
How easily either is given!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Gospel reading for July 24th and sermon theme were on the Lord's Prayer. We did not have it sung that Sunday, but it is also a solo used often at weddings or funerals.

"There is a curious story behind the original publication of Albert Hay Malotte's "The Lord's Prayer".

Sheet music for single art songs, sacred songs and light popular songs were still common publications in the 1930's. Major publishers such as G. Schirmer received many hundreds of song submissions each year from hopeful composers. "The Lord's Prayer" was just such a submission. The chances for an unsolicited submission being accepted for publication were (and still are) very slim. For whatever reason, possibly because there was already a full publishing schedule of sacred songs, "The Lord's Prayer" landed in a rejection pile.

Out of nowhere an order came in from a Midwestern store for 500 copies of Malotte's "The Lord's Prayer", spurred by an Ohio radio broadcast of the song. A frantic search revealed that there was no such publication. A resourceful, tenacious editor had a long-shot hunch barely worth exploring, but to be safe took a look at the songs submitted for review. It wasn't there. Taking the hunt one more unlikely step, the pile of rejected songs

was checked. There, at the bottom of the stack, was "The Lord's Prayer". Had the secretary gotten that far in typing rejection letters, G. Schirmer would have missed out on what turned out to be the most famous American sacred song of the 20th century."

<https://alaninchicago.wordpress.com/2012/03/21/curious-story-about-the-lords-prayer-by-albert-hay-malotte/>

Malotte was also a prolific film music composer, writing (both credited and uncredited) the scores for almost 40 films during the 1930s and '40s, including Ferdinand le Bull.

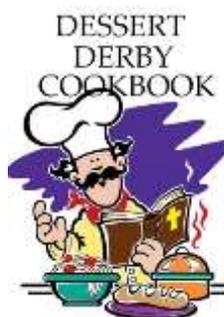


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Communing with God

After Apollo 11 landed on the moon on July 20, 1969, pilot Buzz Aldrin requested via radio that people pause to give thanks for the achievement in their own way. When his broadcast ended, Aldrin read a verse from the Gospel of John and took communion, which his church had sent to space with him.

"It was interesting for me to think: the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the very first food eaten there, were the communion elements," the astronaut said. "At the time, I could think of no better way to acknowledge the enormity of the Apollo 11 experience than by giving thanks to God."



In the Works

We're getting closer to having a cookbook with our Dessert Derby recipes. Participants ~ if you haven't sent your recipe to Jenna yet, there's still time for you to be included.