

# THE VIEW

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## PRAYER LIST



### **Long Term Illness**

Richard Vogt (Kaufman)  
Rita Bush (Kaufman)  
Laura McQuinn (Dellutri)  
Steven Bush (Kaufman)  
Jim MacKenzie (Dellutri)  
Tim Danison (Dellutri)  
Pastor Jim Drummond (Clancy)

Robert Kish (Mincer)  
Cynthia M. (Lundquist)  
Joyce (Druse)  
Gretchen Sweetser (Mincer)  
Mary Coffman (Coffman)  
Annett & Jim Bodden (Heaphy)

### **Surgeries and Illnesses**

John & Mary Sanchez (Walters)  
Pastor Christensen  
Sue Cox (Morin)  
Jackie Smith (Morin)  
Tricia Heiple  
Phil Anderson  
Ivy Rice & Family (Lundquist)  
Ben Kirchoefer  
Deborah Huck (Licht)  
Greg Lundquist & Kasey (Lindquist)

Mikki Reinicker  
Tom Berryman  
Dewayne Grooms (Gonzalez)  
Madeline Biddle  
Jan Tharp  
Wally Rose Mincer  
Joanne Blanchard (Clancy)  
David Hawthorne  
Mary Hill

### **Personal and Family Concerns**

Stephanie Mitchell (Genaw)  
Aiden Powers (Bootcamp)  
Steven Street (Licht)  
Pete Kawa  
Dailyn Rappley

Doris Sturgis (Rappley)  
Sharon McCrary (Pittman)  
Mary McKinney  
Charles Slack (Rappley)  
Bill Roman (Cavicchio)

Roger & Kay Lund (Heaphy)  
John Renick  
Kaufman Family  
Debbie Leger

Wayne & Karen Mathis (Steen)  
Teresa Fisher & Children: Colby & Audrey  
(Kaufman)

### **Homebound**

Warna Berryman  
Albert & Marianne Bugner  
Carol Heaphy  
Joann Kapugi

Suzie Karnatz  
Dianne Luecke  
Sue Smith  
Nancy Stang

### **Compassion and Sympathy**

### **Ministry Concerns**

Our Preschool staff, children & families  
Evangelical Lutheran Church & School in Laotchikit, Haiti  
Pastor Dale Kaster (Missionary, Czech Republic)  
Pastor Daniel Jastram (missionary, Japan)  
Pastor Daniel Conrad (Missionary, Dominican Republic)  
Adam and Emile Nieting (Seminararian)  
Josiah and Amanda Sandcork (Seminararian)  
Erick and Bethany Preus (Seminararian)  
Bill Paris (Missionary)

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08/02 Millis Parshall  
08/05 Philip McLain  
08/11 William Leger  
08/13 Anna Emerson

08/23 Kathryn Kirchoefer

08/25 Stephen Leyrer

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## **Outreach and Community Concerns Blue Ridge Prison and Jail Ministry**

The inmate, prison or jail, man or woman, and his/her loved one on the outside is a person for whom the Lord Jesus Christ cares. We care.

We are the evangelical church reaching out to prisons and jails with church services, cell to cell witness, Bible and literature distribution to evangelize, disciple and care.

We represent numerous denominations united in a common statement of faith.

Our headquarters is strategically located next to the Henderson County Detention Center, a facility that processes over 5,000 souls per year. At present, we are an all volunteer army of Christian love.

In each institution we face anger, depression, hopelessness, fear, desperation, boredom and wonderful potential.

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### **Board of Missions Update**

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. (Proverbs 18:10) Dear heavenly Father please engulf our missionary partners in your safety as they work in the Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Japan, Haiti, Alaska, Fort Wayne and Saint Louis.

#### July Missionary Visits

On July 6<sup>th</sup>, LCMS Pastor Kaster and his wife Suzanne reviewed their mission work in the Czech Republic and Poland. It was amazing to hear the large number of nationalities that they are touching in the mission field of Eastern Europe. We pray that each of these individuals will share their Love of God back in their home nations. We were so happy to give Pastor and Suzanne a gift card to help them celebrate their wedding anniversary.



On July 13<sup>th</sup>, LCMS Seminarian Erik Preus and three of his sons shared their experience in attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne. Erik noted that the Proverbs verse above provides his strength as he works through the challenges of being a student, husband and father as well as making the transition to a second career. One of his key thoughts that resonated is that every single person that you come across, Christ died for that person.

A big thank you to the Parish Life team for hosting the luncheons following these two events. The food and decorations were delicious and delightful as always. You all lead us as “We ought therefore to show hospitality to such men so that we may work together for the truth.” 3 John 1:8

#### Haiti Student Sponsorships

We have received the report cards of the sponsored students in middle and high school in Laotchikit. Sponsors will receive their student(s)’s report cards during the month of August. Please continue to pray for your child over the summer, that they remain committed to their faith and education during the school break.

#### Planning Ahead 2025- 2026 School Year

We are beginning our fundraising efforts for the elementary schools this month for the 2025 – 2026 school year. If you have any suggestions or wish to participate, please see any Mission Board member.

We ask you to prayerfully consider donating to our four Lutheran schools in Haiti. Haiti continues to struggle with violence and only faith in our heavenly Father will bring about a transformation of that nation to Christian values.

Also please ask any member of the Mission Board if you have any questions or suggestions regarding the Board’s work.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Glossop

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## PASTOR KASTOR VISITS MT. PISGAH

Pastor Kastor visited Mt. Pisgah on July 6th, and we could not have been more excited to have him!

For those who don't know, Pastor Kastor is a missionary to the Czech Republic who we sponsor here at MPLC. When he visited, he spoke during Sunday School about his parish in the Czech Republic and his ongoing assistance with other Lutheran churches in Poland, as he trains pastors over there to be faithful stewards of their congregations.

While he was here, he taught a wonderful sermon on being a missionary, and brought his point home by saying that the mission field ... is us! The mission field starts first in our hearts every morning when we look in the mirror. Then the mission field is our own homes, with our families, children, and grandchildren. The mission field is also our communities here, as it is our joy to help our brothers and sisters right down the road from us. What a beautiful sermon and reminder.

Finally, after service we had a celebratory (delicious!) luncheon which we'd like to thank the Mission Committee and Parish Life for organizing and bringing to life. We'd like to give a special thank you to David White for being a whizz on the grill and preparing all of the amazing hamburgers and hot-dogs we enjoyed. And finally, we had a pie-contest which we'd like to thank Pastor Kastor for being the judge of. The categories and winners of this contest were:

**Tallest Pie** - Mary Kaufman a.k.a. Tom, Chocolate Pudding Pie

**Largest Pie & Most Colorful Pie** - Zoe Christensen, Strawberry Pie

**Messiest Pie** - Lydia Cassidy, Apple Pie with Crumble Topping

**Most Artistic Pie** - Debbie Zagone, Strawberry w Chocolate Oreo Crust Pie

**Smallest Pie** - Donna Watkins, Almond Pie

**Best Use of Chocolate Pie** - Sarah Christensen, Snickers Pie

Thank you everyone for welcoming Pastor Kastor so warmly!



*Pastor Kastor judges the pie-contest, and David White grills our hot dogs and hamburgers*

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tremendous blessing to us!

Yours in Christ!

Seminarian Erik Pless

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Thank you so much for your  
kindness and the reception -  
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Thank you so much for  
making us feel welcome. It  
was great to meet you.

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Dear Members of Mt Pisgah,

Thank you so much for your  
hospitality! What a joy it was  
to worship with you and to  
share the good news that we  
have in Christ Jesus! The boys  
and I felt so blessed by your  
kind welcome. All the food was  
delicious and we were so  
thankful to have dinner  
provided as you even sent us  
with packed food for our trip  
home.

Thank you again for your  
generous support and your  
prayers. You all are a

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### Anniversary for Robert Hamrick

Thank you to everyone. It was great to share in Robert's celebration.



## NO NEED TO MISS CHURCH SERVICES OR EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Information for accessing church service or evening Bible Study:

Online: Video will be found on the home page at [www.mtpisgahlutheran.com](http://www.mtpisgahlutheran.com)

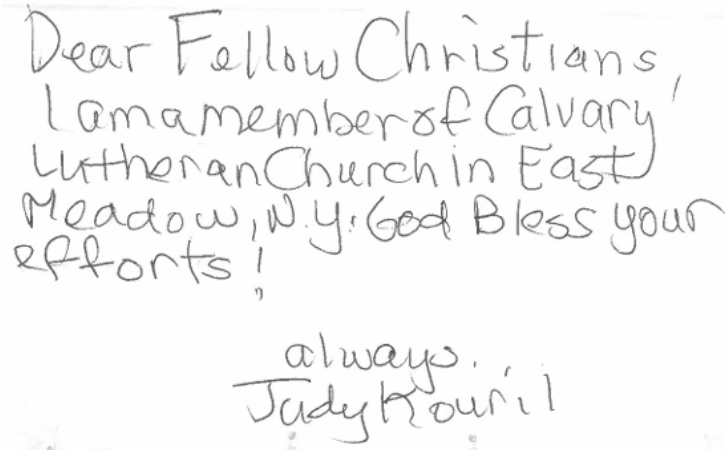
The service bulletin will also be available on the homepage.

Phone: Service will begin at 10:00 AM, dial in direct with no access code to (508) 924-5662

YouTube: Recording link will be published on the homepage once it is available.

For complete information on church events, please visit the website: [www.mtpisgahlutheran.com](http://www.mtpisgahlutheran.com)

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Dear Fellow Christians,  
I am a member of Calvary  
Lutheran Church in East  
Meadow, N.Y. God Bless your  
efforts!  
  
always,  
Judy Kouril

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## BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

O LORD, OUR GOD, we acknowledge Your great goodness toward us and praise You for the mercy and grace that our eyes have seen, our ears have heard, and our hearts have known.

Bless the teaching of Your Word in our schools and colleges and universities.

Guard and protect our students from harm and danger in both body and soul.

Stimulate among our people the desire and will to continue the ministry of education through their prayers and personal support.

Keep us this day in Your gracious care, securely trusting in

Your everlasting goodness and love, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

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7/4/25

DEAR FRIENDS AT MOUNT PISGAH,

MUCH BELATED GREETINGS FROM FORT WAYNE!  
I'M SORRY IT'S TAKEN SO LONG TO SEND YOU AN UPDATE.  
ONE OF THE THINGS I LEARNED ON VICAHOGE IS THAT THE  
PACE OF MINISTRY MAKES IT DIFFICULT FOR ME TO PRIORITIZE  
VARIOUS ENJOYABLE THINGS, INCLUDING CORRESPONDENCE. BUT  
I'VE NOT FORGOTTEN YOU!

MY VICAHOGE IS OVER. WHILE I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO  
THE FINAL YEAR OF CLASSES, VICAHOGE WAS ONE OF THE  
MOST ENTHUSIASTIC PERIODS OF MY LIFE AND I'LL MISS IT. IT WAS  
A VERY FULL VICAHOGE TOO. I WAS PREACHING AT LEAST  
ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH, TEACHING BETWEEN ZERO AND THREE  
BIBLE STUDIES PER WEEK, LEADING SCHOOL CHAPEL, VISITING  
CLASSROOMS, VISITING THE SICK AND TRICKLED, PRAYING WITH  
AND FOR PEOPLE, GIVING DEVOTIONS, AND A THOUSAND OTHER THINGS.

ONE OF THE MOST EXCITING CHALLENGES WAS TEACHING  
SEVENTH GRADE CONFIRMATION. THREE DAYS PER WEEK I  
TAUGHT TWO CLASSES OF 16 STUDENTS EACH. HAVING NEVER  
BEEN A CLASSROOM TEACHER THIS TOOK A LOT OF  
ADJUSTMENT. I GOT TO LEARN MANY NEW SKILLS AND  
TEACHING TECHNIQUES (NOT TO MENTION CLASSROOM DISCIPLINE!).  
IT WAS A NONOVERLAP EXPERIENCE AND I MISS MY STUDENTS.

CLASSROOM VISITS WERE ALSO A LOT OF FUN. IT WAS  
INTERESTING LEARNING TO INTERACT WITH ALL OF THE AGES  
FROM PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE. WITH THE YOUNGER ONES  
I TOOK MY GUITAR AND SANG HYMNS, AND ANSWERED LOTS  
OF GREAT QUESTIONS. THE OLDER KIDS I CHALLENGED  
TO STUMP ME IN BIBLE BEE. THEY TOOK THEM PRESENTING  
THEIR VERSES FROM ANYWHERE IN THE BIBLE AND I HAD  
TO FIGURE OUT WHICH BOOK THEY WERE FROM. THE KIDS

HAD FUN AND I ENJOYED GETTING TO TELL THEM ABOUT  
LOTS OF RANDOM PLACES IN THE BIBLE. I THINK ONLY  
ONE LUKS BEAT ME. THE 8TH GRADERS FOUND MY WEAKNESS  
IN DIFFERENTIATING THE MINOR PROPHETS! IT WAS A GOOD  
PART OF A FANTASTIC VICAHOGE.

MY WIFE EMILY HAD AN EXCITING SPRING AS WELL. SHE WAS  
VERY HAPPY TO TURN 30! THAT SAME WEEK SHE GRADUATED  
SUMMER CAMP LEADER FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE,  
EARNING HER ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE.  
SHE'D FINISHED THE COURSE WORK IN THE FALL, SO IN THE  
SPRING, SHE ALSO HAD HER FIRST SEMESTER OF IN-PERSON  
CLASSES AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE. HAVING BEEN  
HOMESCHOOL FOR SO LONG, THAT'S A HUGE JOY. SHE STILL  
SUFFERS FROM A LOT OF CHRONIC PAIN, BUT SHE'S MADE  
GREAT STRIDES AND HAS GOOD HELP AND I'M VERY PROUD OF HER.

NOW WE'RE ON SUMMER BREAK. EMILY'S GETTING AHEAD  
ON SOME OPPORTUNITIES WITH ONE OF HER PROFESSORS AND I'M  
TRYING TO WORK AS MANY HOURS AS POSSIBLE AT MY TACO SHOP.

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR PRAYERS, NOTES, EMAILS,  
OPPORTUNITIES, ENCOURAGEMENT, AND SUPPORT. GOD HAS BLESSED  
US WITH YOU. WITHOUT SUCH HELP, THIS SUMMER JOURNEY WOULD NOT  
BE POSSIBLE. I HOPE YOU'LL FORGIVE ME IF THIS IS TOO LONG BUT  
IF ANY OF YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO HELP US AGAIN THIS YEAR,  
YOUR SUPPORT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL AND GREATLY APPRECIATED.  
AND EVEN IF NOT, WE APPRECIATE YOU AND THANK GOD FOR  
YOU AND THE GOOD HE DOES AMONG YOU. THANK YOU.

JEANUS KEEP YOU

ADAM NIELSEN  
PISGAH

August Blessings Mt. Pisgah Ladies Guild/LWML

## National Youth Gathering Recap

### The Future is Bright



The National Youth Gathering in New Orleans was a tremendous event, bringing together around 25,000 young men and women from across the country. The excitement was palpable as the gathering filled the 3-million-square-foot convention center and later packed the Superdome for evening worship and live music. It was an inspiring opportunity to share the mission of Lutheran Women in Mission with the next generation, as thousands of people visited our booth.

One of the most impactful moments came when each youth learned about the meaning behind the Mite Boxes at their church. Their faces lit up upon realizing that

we are the organization behind them and the impact they have across the world. Many were eager to learn how to start their own group and were amazed by the mission grants Lutheran Women in Mission plans to fund in this biennium. We are grateful to all the women who left such a positive impression back home for these children and teens. After this new generation graduates from high school and college, many of them will become future YWRs and active supporters of Lutheran Women in Mission.

Coming this fall ....

September 8 Meeting: LWML Convention highlights, planning for upcoming events

October 13 Meeting: Planning for November LWML Sunday

November 10 Review of LWML Sunday,  
mission project for December, Christmas Luncheon

December 8 Christmas Luncheon

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### Autism Walk

Please support Gerald Wild in the Autism Society of NC Western North Carolina (WNC) Run/Walk for Autism on September 20, 2025. Our team's name is Ascend.

You will be helping thousands of families affected by Autism in North Carolina like ours. Your tax-deductible donation will help the Autism Society of NC provide the necessary financial support to improve the lives of individuals with autism and support families affected by autism in your community.

- Today in North Carolina 1 in 31 children may be diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) according to estimates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- ASD is reported to occur in all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups.

Jason Wild has autism as does his fraternal twin brother Jonathan. He likes to walk at Flat Rock Park, with his white yarn. Jason Wild attends the Autism Society of NC's day program in Asheville. Jason assembles toiletry bags for homeless people serviced by the Hendersonville Rescue Mission.

Please help disabled children/adults like Jason by making an online donation at

[https://secure3.convio.net/asnc/site/TR?fr\\_id=1460&pg=entry](https://secure3.convio.net/asnc/site/TR?fr_id=1460&pg=entry)

Those preferring to make check donations can make their check out to **ASNC or Autism Society of North Carolina**

You can hand me your check after church or leave in my mail bin at Church. I will mail all checks to the Autism Society of NC.

Thank you for your support for families affected by autism. May God Bless you abundantly!

Sincerely,  
Gerry Wild

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## Altar Flowers

Date	NAME	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	TAKING FLOWERS
Aug 3			
Aug 10			
Aug 17			
Aug 24			
Aug 31			
Sept 7			
Sept 14			
Sept 21	Kruse	Memory MaryAnn Birthday	NO
Sept 28			

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### HURRICANE RELIF WORK

Many members have been wondering how Mt. Pisgah and volunteers have helped our community.

After Hurricane Helene we opened our doors to volunteer workers (both within the congregation and from around the country), through housing, showering, and feeding.

In 2024 we were able to help 209 families or members with removing trees off their home, cutting up trees and debris and helping to make their property safer.

In 2025 we have helped 102 families with approximately 40 more people on the waiting list. We are still getting calls for help.

In addition, volunteers have been working with Housing Assistance (Luke) to repair many homes in the community. Several volunteers have been working in Tryon to help clean and rebuild their church.

I hope this help members to understand and realize the work still being done.

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### THANK YOU

Mr. Randy Bray personally stopped by the church office to say thank you to all the workers who came to clear the trees at his property. He said he was very grateful for all the work and machines that repaired his property.

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