

## Prayer Requests

### Healing and Comfort

Gene Heuton  
Ruthann Willard  
Shirley Nuechterlein

### Blessings/Guidance

Paul & Kristin Humber  
St. Stephanus Staff

## The Week Ahead

### SUNDAY, August 27

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship  
6:00 P.M. Softball @ Pioneer 1

### MONDAY, August 28

### TUESDAY, August 29

### WEDNESDAY, August 30

### THURSDAY, August 31

### FRIDAY, September 1

1:00 P.M. Food Rescue set up  
3:00 P.M. Food Rescue give away

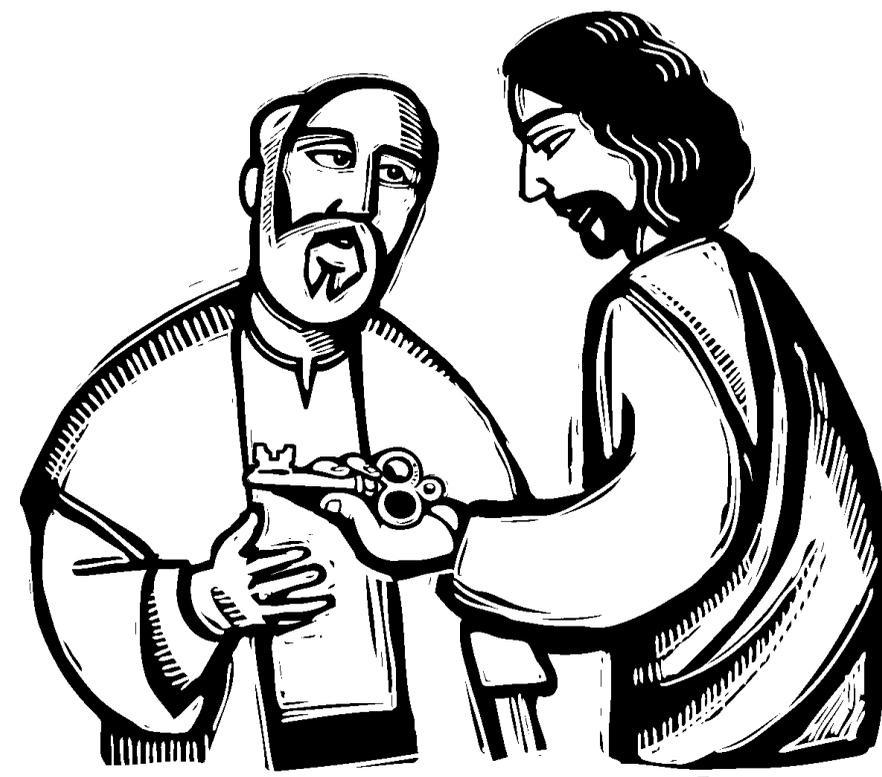
### SATURDAY, September 2

### SUNDAY, September 3

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/ communion

“YOU ARE THE  
MESSIAH,  
THE SON OF THE  
LIVING GOD.”

MATTHEW 16:16, NRSV



### Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

August 27: Nancy Binning, Kathy Fox, *Monica, Mother of Augustine*  
August 28: Doug James, *Augustine of Hippo, Pastor & Theologian*  
August 29: Alganesh Byene, *The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist*  
August 30: Clarice Anderson, Joshua Langemo, Ocie Peterson  
August 31: Nora Brown  
Sept. 1: Login Curtis, *Joshua*  
Sept. 2: *Hannah*

CELEBRATING



### September contact person: Lois Holtz

Elizabeth Asefa, Erin & Justin Baker, Sylvia Berg, Earl Berg, MaryBeth Buchanan, Matt & Tiffany Hanan, Robert & Lois Holtz, Joanne Johansen, Sharen Kappes, Bruce & Peggy Karger, Marc & Melissa Karger, Vonnie Karger, Nancy Sontag, David & Amy Sura, Emmy Treichel, David & Mary Ann Weckwerth

August 27, 2017 The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

## Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

## Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

## Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

## Connecting Groups & Youth:

Much more than a Bible Study...

come and find true Biblical Relationships.

For more info, contact: Megan Huff

meghuff@gmail.com

## About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

## Sunday Services

Worship 9:30 AM (May 28-Sept. 10)

Education Hour 10:45 AM

Holy Communion services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.

Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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## August 27 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson

**Acolytes: (9:30)** Amarti Maskalo & Elizabeth Thompson

**Caretaker: (9:30)** Joan Baker

**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson

**Communion Assistants: (9:30)**

**Elder: (9:30)** Dan Savard

**Greeters: (9:30)** Wayne & Dianne Warnest

**Lector: (9:30)** Dale Trapp

**Music: (9:30)** Organist: Bruce Anderson

**Soundboard: (9:30)** Keith Rennerfeldt

**Ushers: (9:30)** Tesfaya Maskalo, Steve Sohn, Wayne Warnest, Jeff Wussler



## Today's Altar flowers are for:

Ocie Peterson for her 89th birthday from her husband, Lloyd and her family

## Last Week's Contributions:

August 20 9:30 (116)

Current - \$5,866.00

Caring Sharing - \$45.00

20 x 5 - \$5.00

CLS - \$45.00

Missions - \$10.00

Special Thanks - \$100.00

Total - \$6,066 (**\$6,500 needed weekly**)

## September 3 Worship Assistants

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Thompson

**Acolytes: (9:30)** Abigail Amare

**Caretaker: (9:30)** Russ Van Dassor

**Video Ministry:** Jeff Johnson

**Communion Assistants: (9:30)** John Schonebaum, Akbar Muhammad, Jeremiah Willard

**Elder: (9:30)** Keith Rennerfeldt

**Greeters: (9:30)** Marie Benson & B.J. Brown

**Lector: (9:30)** Terianne Bender

**Music: (9:30)** Worship Band

**Soundboard: (9:30)** Dan Savard

**Ushers: (9:30)** Latera Admasu, Roger Binning, Richard Johnson, Admasu Mekonen

### Volunteers needed:

We are in need of workers and contributions for our “coffee hour” after first service!

All members of St. Stephanus are listed to participate for one month during the year of various activities. (Listed on the bottom of the back page of the church bulletin).

We are asking that you make a commitment by choosing one Sunday during the month that you are scheduled to serve. Please sign up on the sheet located on the treat table.

A Huge thank you to Joan Baker and Lynn Thompson for their loyalty in giving of their time on Sunday mornings in the past. They will be available to help make the transition. The caretakers have graciously consented to making the coffee.

If you are not able to work, please consider purchasing treats and ask one of the other people listed on your month to fill in for you. Financial donations are needed to purchase coffee, cups, and paper products. Thank you ~Women’s Ministry—Lois Holtz~

**The Backpack Giveaway on August 19th** went great! Volunteers distributed 336 backpacks! We would like to thank the 36 volunteers who made the giveaway possible. A special thank you to Clarice (Office support) and Admasu (set up and take down of tables). ~Matthew and Tarrie Culbert co-chairs of the Backpack Giveaway~

**Connecting Group Fall Session—** Our Connecting Group will meet on 2 Wednesday evenings in Sept., Oct. and Nov. We welcome everyone and will meet from 7-8:30 P.M. at the church. At our first meeting on September 6 we will discuss and decide our topics. We have a study guide entitled “10 Reasons Why You Need Community” with each question identified with a biblical lesson; we can identify a specific biblical theme or chapter; we have used Pastor’s sermon notes; and we can discuss other ideas. Our goals are to enjoy fellowship, shar thoughts and insights, all toward enhancing our faith and the brotherhood of all believers. Please contact Lynne Heuton or Emmy Treichel with any questions.



### Central Lutheran Toddler Childcare has immediate openings for

Ages: 16-33 Months

Call 651-645-8649 today to arrange a tour of our childcare facility

Our program is part of Central Lutheran School and is conveniently located 3/4 of a mile north of University Avenue on Lexington Parkway.

**Pastor Thompson will be out of the office** until September 3rd. If there is a pastoral emergency, please contact the office and/or Pastor Kooi at 651-424-6294.

### Bible Study is in the Fireside Room

**Johann Casper Ferdinand Fischer 1656-1746** was a German Baroque composer regarded as one of the best composers for keyboard of his day. Heavily influenced by the French Baroque style, Fischer was responsible for bringing the French influence to German music. However, partly due to the rarity of surviving copies of his music, his compositions are rarely heard today. Today's prelude is a piece from Fischer's Blumen-Strauss (tr: Musical Bouquet), a compilation of eight preludes each composed in a different tone, followed by brief fugues and a finale.

Nikolai Grundtvig (1783-1872), a Danish historian, wrote the words "Built On A Rock" in 1837. The 18th century period of Enlightenment brought a rationalism that removed God from daily life; when the 19th century saw a falling away from Enlightenment, Grundtvig was dismayed to see the thought not turning in the direction of God. Grundtvig pointed out that the church was alive and well, because it is built on a Rock, "For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Corinthians 3:11). Throughout the original seven verses of this hymn, Grundtvig points out the strength of the foundation upon which the Church is built. The tune for this hymn, KIRK was penned by Ludvig M. Lindeman (1812-1887), a prominent Norwegian musician of the time. In this tune Lindeman utilized the Dorian mode - a close cousin to the minor scale - a common scale used in European-based folk music of the time.

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1695) was a German organist and composer who also taught organ. One of his pupils was Johann Christoph Bach, who in turn gave his younger brother Johann Sebastian Bach his first formal keyboard lessons. Although his most famous work is the Canon in D, Pachelbel also contributed to the development of the chorale prelude and fugue. A Toccata and Fugue composed by Pachelbel are our postlude today.

~Organ Bench~

### Do you know!

Do you know how many people it takes to operate the church on a Sunday morning?

Here is a list of the people it takes to run the church on a Sunday morning:

Communion Sunday:

Caretaker	1 per service	2 per week
Lector	1 per service	2 per week
Acolyte	2 per service	4 per week
Greeter	2 per service	4 per week
Soundboard	1 per service	2 per week
Usher	4 per service	8 per week
Communion Assistant	3 per service	5 per week
<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>2 per service</u>	<u>4 per week</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 per service</b>	<b>32 per week</b>

### Non- Communion Sunday:

Caretaker	1 per service	2 per week
Lector	1 per service	2 per week
Acolyte	2 per service	4 per week
Greeter	2 per service	4 per week
Soundboard	1 per service	2 per week
<u>Usher</u>	<u>4 per service</u>	<u>8 per week</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 per service</b>	<b>22 per week</b>

We need additional volunteers to help!

We will be having a volunteer information session between services on Sunday, September 10.

Please stop by and learn about these opportunities and consider signing up to help on Sunday mornings.

### Church Technology Information Session

During the bible study hour on Sunday, September 10 there will be a presentation on the new church technology and how it can be useful to you.

This will be a great time for you to learn about what information is available to you online and will answer any questions you have regarding logging in and using this information.

~Dan Savard~

**Open Church** is taking a hiatus until the first week of September. If you would like to use the Sanctuary as a place of prayer at some point, please contact Pastor Thompson to set this up.

**Inviting all music lovers and singers** to partake in a **Raucous Reformation** at Bethel Evangelical Lutheran in South Minneapolis on Saturday, October 21, 2017. Singers will have an opportunity to join the festival choir, learn a few anthems and hymns, enjoy lunch together and perform the music they learn as part of a celebratory hymn festival celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

### All activities held at:

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church 4120 17th Ave. S Minneapolis, MN. 55407

### \*Join the Choir

9:00 A.M.- Choir Rehearsal begins

Noon - Lunch provided by the church (Brats, Hamburgers, potato salad and more)

2:00 P.M. - Celebratory Hymn Festival

### OR

### Just come for the Celebration

2:00 P.M. Celebratory Hymn Festival Featuring Brass, Bells, Organ and Choir

**\*RSVP** recommended but not required for food/music count

Contact Phillip Radtke at [organist@bethel-mpls.org](mailto:organist@bethel-mpls.org)

Freewill donations appreciated to help offset costs.

**Worship Schedule:** Beginning September 10 we return to our regular worship schedule:

8:00 Traditional, 9:15 Education Hour, 10:30 Contemporary.