

## July Mission Focus: Hospice of Rock River Valley

Founded by volunteers in 1982, following a need for care of terminally-ill patients by the Whiteside County Board, Whiteside County Hospice was formed. In 1995, Sauk Valley Hospice and Whiteside County Hospice merged to establish Hospice of the Rock River Valley. These programs brought together boards, staff and volunteers, and combined their knowledge and experience to provide an even higher quality of care to the terminally-ill in Lee and Whiteside counties as well as Bureau, Carroll and Ogle counties. Hospice of the Rock River Valley remains the only independent, non-profit hospice in the Sauk Valley area. HRRV has been providing expert and compassionate quality care to our communities for more than 30 years.

Our July Noisy Offering will go to support HRRV.

## August Mission Focus: NIS Trip to India and our Youth traveling with the Trip

More information about this trip is inside this newsletter. We will announce fundraisers as soon as the information is available.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH Of West Jordan  
20314 Hickory Hills Road  
Sterling, IL 61081  
815-625-5407  
Worship: Sundays 8:30 AM

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815-225-7410; telcsecretary@mediacombb.net  
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Worship: Sundays 10:15 AM

## Glad Tidings “Sound the Good News”

July

August

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*You set the boundaries of the earth, and  
you made both summer and winter.*

*Psalm 74:17*

Did you know the word “Summer” appears in the Bible 26 times? I was actually surprised to find it, I had not thought much of it whether it was or not in the Bible, but a quick search on Biblegateway.com gave me the answer. Here is one of the more fascinating finds in this search:

Honor is no more associated with fools than snow with summer or rain with harvest.—Proverbs 26:1

Or this verse: Day and night your hand of discipline was heavy on me. My strength evaporated like water in the summer heat. — Psalm 32:4


It is the summertime and for many of us that means weekend boating, camping, or getaways with family and friends. For our children it means a break from school and the daily grind of bus rides, homework and sports practices. Summer introduces new routines of summer jobs, gardening, golfing or fishing or both. The very word “Summer” evokes notions of rest and relaxation, getting tans, and casting off the cares of the rest of the year.

And for some, it means taking a break from another routine, the routine of worship. Let me introduce another word— Sabbath. Sabbath is a Hebrew word that relates to the day of rest, the day of worship. Worship is a moment of Sabbath for us each week. And even in the summertime, when all our routines are different, we still need a different kind of Sabbath—a holy Sabbath, a rest from our rest, a break from our weekend travels and chasing the kids and grandchildren from one ball field to another.

Worship, and the day of Sabbath, was created by God to give us the ultimate rest. Sabbath Worship is a time to gather with a community, to set aside our daily grind and enter into a holy rest, a green pasture getaway from the valley of the shadow of death that we are normally surrounded by. As you enjoy your summer adventures, getaways, change of routines, do not forget the place of holy rest. Here God’s Word does not take a break from comforting our souls, revitalizing our faith, and strengthening us for our journey.

See you Sunday, the Sabbath Worship Day,

*Pastor Jamie Gallagher*



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Jamie Gallagher  
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Janet Barkley  
Organist  
Nancy Janssen

**Vacation Bible School**  
“Maker Fun Factory”

Held at the Milledgeville Brethren Church  
Sunday, July 9 to Thursday, July 13  
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

We are collecting paper towel tubes. Please bring them to church before July 9th.

**Southtown Summer Picnic**

Saturday, August 19  
11 am for preparation  
Noon for serving lunch

Entire community is welcome to join us as we celebrate our ministry to the Southtown home. The residents will invite their family and friends, and we serve lunch.

This is a great way to get to know our friends at Southtown better.

**THIS FALL**

**EPIC Sunday School**

Returns this Fall  
We will use some VeggieTale Videos to help get our themes this year:

Mark your calendars for these Sundays for our Every Person In Christ Sunday School.

Sundays: Sept 17, October 22, November 19  
Wednesday: Dec 6, 13 and 20  
Sundays, Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 18, Apr 15 and May 6

**God’s Work, Our Hands**

Sunday, September 10th after worship, we will help neighbors with various service projects. Do you have an indoor or outdoor project that you need help with? Cleaning out a room, trimming trees or bushes, cleaning garden beds, washing windows or anything else?

Sign up with Pastor Jamie and a crew will arrive after worship to help your project get done.

**2017 Joint Worship Sundays for the Summer**

**July 2nd** (weekend before July 4th)  
8:30 AM at First, WJ

**Sept 3rd** (Labor Day Weekend)  
10:15 AM at Trinity

**November 26th** (Thanksgiving Weekend)  
8:30 AM at First, WJ

**December 24th** (Christmas Eve Morning Service)  
10:15 AM at Trinity

**December 31st** (New Year’s Eve)  
8:30 AM at First, WJ

Remind your friends of these dates when we share one worship service!



**Grace meals**  
**Tuesday, July 18**  
**And Tuesday, August 15**

**11:30 AM at Trinity**

**ACTS Bible Study**

Long ago, in a land far away (sounds like the beginning of Star Wars, doesn’t it?)

These words were first spoken:  
“You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)

So, what happened next? Join us this fall as we dive into the Book of Acts and read about the early disciples and their challenging mission of being Jesus’ witnesses in a world that didn’t want to see Jesus.

Join us as we dive into the Book of Acts and read about US and OUR Challenging mission of being Jesus’ witnesses in a world that doesn’t want to see Jesus.

Wednesdays, beginning September 6 at 7PM. More information will be in our bulletins.

**CROP Walk**

Sunday, September 24th

Join us as we learn about Hunger in the US and how our supporting CROP Walk brings aid to those here and across the world. We will have an interactive activity and a short hike through town to help bring awareness to the global hunger crisis

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**Trinity Lutheran Church Milledgeville, IL**

**And**



**First Lutheran of Jordan, Sterling, IL**

Birthdays and Anniversaries for both congregations will now be listed on our monthly calendar pages.

Please let the office know if your birthday or anniversary information is missing, needs to be corrected, or should be removed. Thank you.

**First, West Jordan**

**Worship Helpers**

July 2 & 9 Carole Adolph, Melissa Woessner  
Lector: Melissa Woessner

July 16, 23 & 30 Trina & Meghan O’Brien  
Lector: Trina O’Brien

Circle Hostess: TBA

August 6 & 13 Tom & Trudy Landheer  
Lector: Trudy Landheer

August 20 & 27 Brian & Paula Beveroth  
Lector: Brian Beveroth

Circle Hostess: TBA

**India!** This fall, our congregation will be holding fundraisers to support our youth who will be traveling to India with the Northern Illinois Synod India Trip in February.

The Trip, from February 5 to February 18, will include some sightseeing—but will primarily provide a chance to see how the relationship between our synod and the Arcot Lutheran Synod has blossomed. The Youth will see churches, schools, librarys and hospitals—all built with support from our synod. The youth will experience worship, cultural sites and sounds. They will eat with many locals and see first hand the ways our churches walk together in Christ.

More information about these fundraisers will be printed in upcoming bulletins and newsletters. Due to when the trip is scheduled, these youth need all their funds to the synod by December. Any and all donations are appreciated and thank you for your generous support.



**Church Leaders Directory**

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
President Kevin Anderson (625-3403)  
Vice-President Harlan Meinsma  
Secretary Karen Landers  
Treasurer Connie Brockhouse  
At-Large Tammy Miller  
Sharon Woodard  
Kim Stewart  
Custodian Lynn Kaufman  
Musician Nancy Janssen  
Financial Secretary Ken Peterson

**First Lutheran West Jordan**  
President Jan Wetzel (631-9353)  
Secretary Jodi Woessner



August 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		◀ From Jul 31    Trinity Delivers Golden Meals				Anniversary: Ivan and Barb Miller
				6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement	Pastor's Day Off	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Birthday: Carl Bauling	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Birthday: Hunter Strehlow	Anniversary: Lou and Carole Adolph	11a-2p WELCA Luncheon	Birthday: Steven Barkley	
Birthday: Lynn Kaufman		1:30p-3:30p Naomi Circle			Pastor's Day Off	
Time After Pentecost		7p-8:30p Worship Committee				
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ						
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Birthday: Roger Hinrichs	Birthday: Betty Dettman	Birthday: Jodi Hinrichs		Birthday: Abbie Heid	Chadwick - Milledgeville Schools First Day of School	Birthday: Florence Miller
Time After Pentecost	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-12:30p Grace Meals (Trinity Lutheran Church)		Birthday: Andrew Barkley	Pastor's Day Off	Birthday: Gary Sibley
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home\, Milledgeville)		Birthday: Jared Wetzell		Birthday: Ruth Borth
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity				Birthday: Mark Byvick		11a-2p Southtown Picnic
				Birthday: Robert Carpenter		
				6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Time After Pentecost	Birthday: Elmer Heid	Birthday: Barb Brubaker		Birthday: Kay Chronister	Pastor's Day Off	Anniversary: Jim and Barb Brubaker
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Trinity Delivers Golden Meals					Birthday: Jon Meyer
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	11a-3p Sewers Meet					
27	28	29	30	31	Notes:	
Birthday: Cole VanDyke	Birthday: Stanley Meinsma			Birthday: Dorothy Wagenknecht		
Birthday: Stacy Mickelson	11a-3p Sewers Meet			Birthday: Nancy Maxwell		
Time After Pentecost				Birthday: Paula Beveroth		
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						Anniversary: Robert and Shirley Woessner
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Time After Pentecost	11a-3p Sewers Meet	Birthday: Brenda Harris	Pastor on vacation			Birthday: Steve Buckman
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ		Independence Day		Birthday: Jocelyn Green	Birthday: Ruth Bryson	
				6p-7:15p Girl Scouts - Basement		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Time After Pentecost	Birthday: Amy Eye	1:30p-3:30p Naomi Circle	6p-7:30p Vacation Bible School (Milledgeville Brethren Church\, 521 N Main Ave\, Milledgeville\, I)	Birthday: Carol Frederick	Pastor's Day Off	Anniversary: Joseph and Rebecca Green
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Beth Dettman	6p-7:30p Vacation Bible School (Milledgeville Brethren Church\, 521 N Main Ave\, Milledgeville\, I)		6p-7:30p Vacation Bible School (Milledgeville Brethren Church\, 521 N Main Ave\, Milledgeville\, I)		Birthday: Pastor Jamie Gallagher
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	Birthday: Stan Franks			7p-9p Dorcas Circle		
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10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity		Birthday: Lou Adolph				
		11:30a-12:30p Grace Meals (Trinity Lutheran Church)				
		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home\, Milledgeville)				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Birthday: Ardree Fogel	Birthday: Randi Marie Kleckler					
Time After Pentecost	Pastor on Vacation					
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10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity						

Weekly Prayer Supplement

Each day when you take your quiet time to pray, here are some concerns —local and global— for you to include in your daily prayers

Week of July 2—July 8

Pray for our nation, for peace throughout the world, for freedom to be experienced by all, for the safe return home of all serving in the military.

Week of July 9—July 15

Pray for the Vacation Bible School for our community at the Brethren Church. Pray for teachers and volunteers. Pray for those attending church camps, whether at LOMC or others

Week of July 16—July 22

Pray for those who see the services of a hospice care center, especially those in the care of Hospice of Rock River Valley. Pray for all who are mourning or are preparing to mourn

Week of July 23—July 29

Pray for our partner ministries in Milledgeville—Chadwick: Chadwick Evangelical Free Church, Pastor Terry Komrska; First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chadwick, Pastor Chris Shoon; Fairhaven UMC/Hope UMC/ Hickory Grove UMC, Pastor Mary Bohall; Milledgeville Brethren Church, Pastor Jim Black; Dutchtown Brethren Church, Pastor Rick Koch; Milledgeville UMC, Pastor Sophia Hyon

Week of July 31—August 5

For our Partner Congregations in the Faith on Forty Parish, for the Northern Illinois Synod and Bishop Jeff Clements, for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

In our prayers:

From First:

Ruth Borth, Sandy Bushman, Linda & Myron Deets, Kyla Eastabrooks, Anita Gilbert, Linda Habben, Roger Hinrichs, Tammy Hinrichs, Cara Koett and Abel Dowse, Janet Koett, Scotty Powell, Rhonda Ramirez, Jon Ryner, Iona Stern, Jake Wetzell

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Week of August 6—August 12

Pray the Carroll County fair, all participants and activities. Pray for those on vacation that they may return safe and refreshed

Week of August 13—August 19

Pray for our schools as they prepare to resume again, for students returning to desks, for teachers returning to grading papers, for athletes returning to competition, and for artists and musicians returning to performances.

Week of August 20—August 26

Pray for families who have special needs children; pray for our partnership with Southtown Terrace here in Milledgeville.

Week of August 27—September 2

Pray for our partner ministries in Milledgeville—Chadwick: Chadwick Evangelical Free Church, Pastor Terry Komrska; First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chadwick, Pastor Chris Shoon; Fairhaven UMC/Hope UMC/ Hickory Grove UMC, Pastor Mary Bohall; Milledgeville Brethren Church, Pastor Jim Black; Dutchtown Brethren Church, Pastor Rick Koch; Milledgeville UMC, Pastor Sophia Hyon

For our Partner Congregations in the Faith on Forty Parish, for the Northern Illinois Synod and Bishop Jeff Clements, for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

In our prayers:

From Trinity:

Lori Anderson, Adlee Barajas, Carl & Peg Bauling, Jerry Blair, Ruth & Bill Borth, Leland Bryson, Kyla Eastabrooks, Barb Gerdes, Larry Gerdes, Terry Gerdes, Tammy Hinrichs, Cara Koett and Abel Dowse, Janet Koett, Lawrence Maxwell, Barb and Ivan Miller, Dan Nye, Corinne Ohlwine, Sue Pope, Gladys Schopp, Ruth Wolf

Daily Devotion Bible Book Mark

Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path. Pasm 119:105

Survey: Let God be God

July 2Job 38:1-20

July 3Psalm 104:1-13

July 4Psalm 128:1-6

July 5Mark 12:13-17

July 6Luke 18:9-14

July 7Philippians 1:12-30

July 8Romans 6:1-11

Survey: Living a Godly Life

July 9Psalm 1:1-3

July 101 Timothy 2:1-7

July 111 Timothy 4:1-10

July 121 Timothy 6:6-19

July 132 Timothy 2:1-13

July 142 Timothy 3:10-17

July 15Titus 2:1-14

Survey: God’s Power to Save

July 16Proverbs 3:5-12

July 17Isaiah 40:3-11

July 18Isaiah 42:5-12

July 19Isaiah 44:6-20

July 20Isaiah 45:18-25

July 21Isaiah 49:8-13

July 22Isaiah 51:4-8

Survey: Fulfilling God’s Plan

July 23Isaiah 52:7-10

July 24Isaiah 53:1-12

July 25Isaiah 55:1-13

July 26Isaiah 58:6-12

July 27Isaiah 61:1-11

July 28Isaiah 64:5-9

July 29Isaiah 65:17-25

Survey: Ezekiel, Judgment and Promise

July 30Psalm 138:1-8

July 31Ezekiel 1:4-28

Aug 1Ezekiel 2:1-3:3

Aug 2Ezekiel 34:11-16

Aug 3Ezekiel 37:1-14

Aug 4Ezekiel 37:15-28

Aug 5Ezekiel 39:21-29

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Survey: To Rebuild Jerusalem

Aug 6Psalm 141:1-10

Aug 7Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Aug 8Ezra 1:1-11

Aug 9Ezra 3:8-13

Aug 10Ezra 7:21-28

Aug 11Nehemiah 2:1-8

Aug 12Nehemiah 2:11-20

Survey: Work for the Lord

Aug 13Nehemiah 4:7-23

Aug 14Nehemiah 5:1-12

Aug 15Nehemiah 5:14-19

Aug 16Nehemiah 6:1-16

Aug 172 Thessalonians 3:5-13

Aug 18Ephesians 4:1-7

Aug 19Psalm 84:1-12

Survey: Prophetic Voices

Aug 20Psalm 146:1-10

Aug 21Habakkuk 2:1-4

Aug 22Zephaniah 2:1-4

Aug 23Haggai 1:1-15

Aug 24Zechariah 14:1-9

Aug 25Malachi 4:1-5

Aug 26Matthew 24:3-14

Survey: Our God Forever

Aug 27Psalm 150:1-6

Aug 28Revelation 1:1-8

Aug 29Revelation 3:14-22

Aug 30Revelation 7:9-17

Aug 31Revelation 21:1-8, 22-27

Sept 1Ephesians 6:10-18

Sept 2Philippians 1:3-11