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God bless you

-PASTOR SEAN

and God bless this nation that we
may be a light to the world.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This year the United States of America celebrates it's 250th Anniversary on July 4th. Many people will be celebrating the independence of our nascent nation declared in 1776, the freedom that we enjoy today, and hopefully the blessings that God has provided to the people of this nation.

The most meaningful July 4th celebration I was ever involved in was when I was at Fort Jackson, South Carolina during Basic training. The army knows how to celebrate our independence, but besides all the fireworks and music and cannon fire, there were people dressed as soldiers from different eras of our nations history. As these people marched forward from the dark into the light they were introduced by information about the war they fought in, the dates over which the wars took place, and the number of casualties.

Seeing people representing soldiers from the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican American, Civil War, Spanish American War, World Wars I and II, Korea, and Vietnam, (this was before the Gulf War or war in Afghanistan), and then seeing soldiers dressed and equipped for that day, in 1986, served as a powerful reminder of the incredible sacrifice that has been given by many generations and how costly this freedom has been. So many people gave so much, so many suffered, so many gave their lives for the freedom of this nation, to free others from tyranny, out of love for their families back home, for the person fighting next to them. I am thankful for those who served and those who serve that I enjoy this freedom today.

This is very much like the feelings I have when I look upon the cross. As much as I see in the cross victory and life I also see the great cost at which my freedom has come. The blood of Jesus poured out so that I may be made clean, that I may be redeemed. And in generation after generation many Christians have given so much, many giving their lives so the gospel would be preserved, so that it would be shared throughout the world, so that you and I would hear the good news today and know the salvation that has come through Jesus.

As we give thanks for our freedom as a nation and for those who gave their lives for this cause, may we also turn our attention to the cross and remembering all that God has done for us, and not only give thanks but also be willing to carry forth the good news into the world and use the gifts God has given to us that others may know His love and grace.

God bless you and God bless this nation that we may be a light to the world.

Yours in Christ<><

Pastor Sean



JOIN THE VBS TEAM!



Scan the code to apply!

Calling adults and youth who:

- ✓ love Jesus
- ✓ love children
- ✓ are 12 or older
- ✓ are available Aug 3–7
8:30 AM–12:30 PM



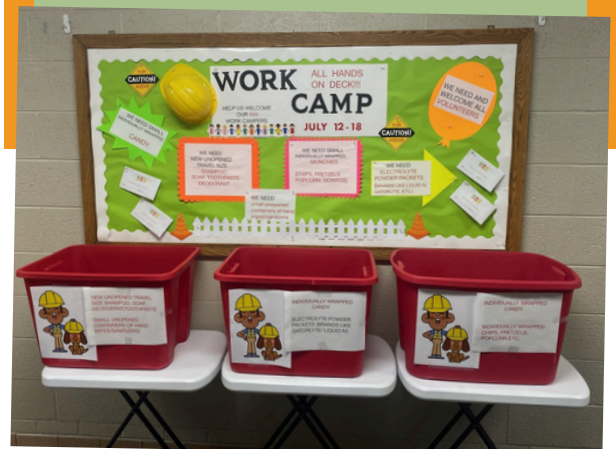
HELP US WELCOME OUR 400 WORK CAMPERS



We need & welcome all volunteers!

- ✓ shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorant
- ✓ individually wrapped snacks (chips, pretzels, popcorn, etc.)
- ✓ small unopened hand wipes/sanitizers
- ✓ electrolyte powder packets (brands like gatorlyte/liquid iv)

BINS ARE IN THE MAIN CHURCH HALLWAY FOR DROP OFF



You call them
POPSICLES

*click here to
sign up!*

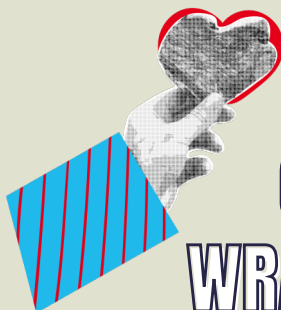


Workcampers call them

ENCOURAGEMENT

Sign up to deliver cold treats on
Tuesday, July 14!

A sweet way
to share God's
love with
Workcampers!



We're
collecting

**COOKIES &
WRAPPED CANDY**

for Workcamp



Please deliver to First
English (800 Vernier Rd)
on Sunday July 12 from
8AM-1PM



GROUP

WORKCAMPERS

HOME REPAIR

Love your neighbor and prepare
Workcamp sites for new paint!



**POWER WASHING
PEOPLE NEEDED**

Bring your own
washer or we will
provide one for
you. Contact
Renata if you can
serve!



**LADDERS
NEEDED**



Looking to borrow 40
ladders to complete our
Workcamp projects!

- A-frame (8-foot plus)
- extension (16-foot plus)

Sign up on the
board across from
the church office!

We are working on updating our directory so we can best keep everyone updated and informed on church and community goings-on. Please fill out a form available in the hallway. Thanks!



Our Gardens



Choose ONE week to water 4 areas at church.

Come 2-3 times that week.

Sign up in the hallway after worship!





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Mackenzie Campbell Samantha Potter	2 Charlie Ulmer	3 John Guest Bryan Ulmer	4 Haley Rozycki Janice Wilson
5	6	7 RJ Cassar	8	9	10 Sue Ulmer	11
12 Luke Kohler	13	14	15 Erica Meier	16	17 Margot Kahl Cheryll Nelson	18 Nora Smith
19	20 Emily Dalian	21 Lauren Link	22 Jake Grabowski Arden Vallee	23 Sara McClendon John Russell Rick Zwicker	24 Bob Foster Pam Southard	25 Heather O'Boyle
26	27 Campbell Baker	28 Rebecca Sloss Jeffrey Stein	29	30 John Balle Ken Kohler	31 Lauren Nyquist	

Council Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2026

Attended by: Scott Norlin, Ken Kohler, John Nyquist, Sue Ulmer, Pastor Sean Motley, Shawn Vinson, Diann Ohman, Patrick Quinlan, Claire Verman, Dan Rustmann, Melissa Zwicker

President Ken Kohler called the meeting to order at 12:23 PM.

Pastor Sean opened the meeting with a devotional and a prayer.

SECRETARY REPORT - John Nyquist moved to approve the April council meeting minutes, 2nd by Sue Ulmer and the motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT - John Nyquist shared the March 2026 financial statements and moved to approve them, 2nd by Diann Ohman and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - Shawn Vinson reported that Subsplash, the application which the church uses for online donations, will be having a rate increase for transactions in July. Pastor Sean shared that he will be checking into different programs within Subsplash for a possible lower rate.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE - Dan Rustmann reported that the Board is working on selecting a date for Stewardship Sunday.

CHURCH PROPERTIES - Pastor Sean Motley reported that the catch basin in the parking lot is in need of repair. 3 quotes were obtained for this repair work, with the quote from Gordon K. Bush Contracting Inc. being the best price at \$8450.00. Dan Rustmann moved to accept this quote for the catch basin repair work, 2nd by John Nyquist and the motion carried.

EVANGELISM - Sue Ulmer shared an idea for consideration to form multigenerational small groups this fall of old and new members to learn more about Lutheranism and the Reformation. Patrick Quinlan provided an update on Grow 300 as well as a chart created by John Nyquist that tracks FEELC attendance of visitors, returning visitors and members from the beginning of March to date.

SOCIAL ACTION - Diann Ohman reported that the Board is working on a drive for Workcamp hospitality donations, with desired items listed on the church bulletin board for members to consider donating.

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FELLOWSHIP - No report.

PARISH ED & YOUTH MINISTRY - Claire Verman reported that the last youth group for the school year will be this Wednesday with a trip to TCBY. The parents Bible study continues to meet twice monthly with 6 couples attending. VBS registration opens May 20 through July 1, with the price of registration being \$35 per child. Volunteers for the VBS team are being encouraged, with anyone 12 years of age or older eligible.

WORSHIP & MUSIC - Melissa Zwicker shared that she and Jim Barnes have been working on updating information for the church directory.

ENDOWMENT - No report.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH - No report.

PASTOR'S REPORT - Pastor Sean Motley shared that there are currently 15 prospective church members. 10 baptisms have been scheduled between April and June. The list of sites for Workcamp have been written up, with decisions being made to cut some sites due to not having enough work crews to serve all of them. Pastor Sean further shared that Chef Brian will be in charge of providing meals to workcampers, and that Schena Roofing may partner with Workcamp to provide minor roof repairs on some worksites to enable other repairs to be completed by workcampers.

Old business - None presented.

New business - None presented.

John Nyquist moved to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Melissa Zwicker, and the meeting adjourned at 1:28 PM.

Meeting ended with all saying the Lord's Prayer.

Mark your calendars-Next council meeting is scheduled for June 14 at 12:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy McIntyre, Recording Secretary