

**“Knights of North Castle” VBS
“Armor up” to be strong in the Lord!**

***Please stand, if able**

Announcements

Procession of Knights

*Call to worship

Leader: God’s power lives within us!

ALL: He gives us the strength to stand up for all that is true.

Leader: God’s power lives within us!

ALL: He gives us strength to stand up for what is right.

Leader: God’s power lives within us!

ALL: He gives us strength to live in peace because He is always with us.

Leader: God’s power lives within us!

ALL: He gives us strength to conquer fear and doubt.

Leader: God’s power lives within us!

ALL: He gives us strength to remember that through Jesus, we are saved.

Leader: Be strong in the Lord,

ALL: and in the STRENGTH of His POWER!

*Scripture Reading – Ephesians 6:10-17

“Knights of North Castle” Presentation

- Welcome and VBS Statistics
- Intro with Sparky the Dragon
- Song - “Knights of North Castle”
- Recap of stories with songs
- Song - “Jesus Loves Me”

Leader Recognition

*Prayer

**“Armoring Up”

L: Put on your belts.

ALL: We Armor Up with Truth!

L: Secure your breastplates.

ALL: We Armor Up with Justice!

L: Put on your shoes that spread the Good News.

ALL: We Armor Up with Peace!

L: Hold up your shields.

ALL: We Armor Up with Faith!

L: Put on your helmets.

ALL: We Armor Up with Salvation!

L: Be STONG in the Lord!

ALL: And in the STRENGTH of His Power!!

*Sending Forth

Closing Song – “Be Strong in the Lord”

Postlude

The offering received from VBS is being donated to Speranza Animal Rescue – a non-profit, volunteer run rescue, rehab center, and sanctuary for severely abused and neglected animals located in Mechanicsburg.

Thanks to EVERYONE who volunteered their time and talents to make “Knights of North Castle” possible:

Assembly Time and Storyteller: Miss Laurie

Nursery: Dana Klouser and Moms/Dads

Music: Reagan Little

Craft: Sandy Bixler, Heidi Lehman

Science: Olivia Williard

Recreation: Matt Williard, Justin Adams

Snack: Nicole Radel, Connie Shaffer, Ang Paul

Timer: Tiffany Brosius

Art & Decorations: Sandy Bixler and gang

Pre-K “Wranglers”: Holly Warfel, Parker Cook

Youth: Pastor Tom

Also, THANKS to all the parents/grandparents who jumped in to help with activities and “crowd control”!!

Special thanks to all who donated snack items and to those who helped set up the pavilion for today’s service.

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Our Mission

St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.

Adopted December 8, 2013

Serving Today

The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr. Pastor

Laurie Little Young Christians Minister

Roy Henry Council President

For the month of July, our **Celebrate** lectionary bulletin is sponsored by the Baumgardner family. We are so blessed in having our prayers answered. God is good!!! Support from our family, friends and our awesome church family is so amazing!!! **Tree 4 Hope** and Support of one pastor for one month in the **Konde Diocese** of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania is sponsored by Delmar and Ginny Enders for our many blessings of family, friends and good health.

Today, Sunday, July 25

10am Outdoor Worship with VBS Closing Program (In-Person)

11:15am **Voices & Vittles** Annual Covered Dish Picnic (will get underway immediately following the ending of worship and a bit of transition time)

Monday, July 26

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Donations for the yard sale may be delivered directly to the pavilion beginning this morning. Please place those donations on the tables in the pavilion. Please do not place them anywhere but directly in the pavilion. Stay tuned for more information about helping to set up for and/or staff the yard sale, and please contact Camie Litzel or Sheila Barder with any questions.

Tuesday, July 27

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Wednesday, July 28

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

7pm Weekly Congregational Family Time of Prayer for Our Health Professionals ***(Please make use of the list of health care professionals at the end of this bulletin information, taking a few minutes to lift each person up to God by name. To add names to the list, please contact Pastor Tom with their information.)***

Thursday, July 29

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

8am-5pm IT'S BACK!! After being cancelled last year due to COVID-19, our annual Congregational Yard Sale is back on for 2021. Please donate your gently used items and/or your time to support the **Lutheran Disaster Response** of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Friday, July 30

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

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Saturday, July 31

Pastor Tom's Weekly Day Off

8-11am Annual Congregational Yard Sale to support the **Lutheran Disaster Response** of our Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Concludes

Next Sunday, August 1

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:45am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)

9:30am SONday Celebration with Miss Laurie (In-Person at Church)

9:30am Worship (In-Person and On Zoom)

Looking Ahead

Be watching for details from Miss Laurie about a planned Water Fun Night on Friday, August 6, at the church!

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The Youth Group would like to thank our Congregational Family for all of your support whenever we have a fundraiser or activity. It means more than you will ever know! Thanks to the church's donation of hot dogs and sausages from the Strawberry Festival, the wonderful baked goods donated by members of the congregation, your financial support on Saturday and Sunday and a Thrivent Action Team, we were able to raise an amazing **\$1,193.75!!!** Thank you!

Your Chance to (Still) Give the Gift of Fun – and Support our Youth Group!

Youth Group is still selling **\$20 books** of Knoebels ride tickets for just **\$18**, with all proceeds being used for the support support of Youth Group outings and the planned 2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering. Please speak with Advisor **Olivia Williard** to purchase your tickets and watch for the table which will be set up for future times of outdoor worship. **And remember – one of the many things that we all love about Knoebels is that those ride tickets never expire!!**

If you are not yet ready to take part in in-person worship, there are **three** very simple options for giving your tithes and offerings. You are welcome to 1. mail your offering to the church (PO Box 270, Berrysburg, 17005-0270) or 2. drop it by the church and place it in the red plastic tub that is prominently visible in the Sunday School Room, on the table just outside Pastor Tom's office door. In addition, 3. if neither of those is easily done, you may wish to contact your bank about setting up an automatic payment, as some of our congregational family members also have done, whereby the offering you direct is sent by your bank as a check mailed directly to the church. In all cases, Pastor Tom will then see that all offerings received get securely passed along to our counters.

Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness

- **Louise Baumgardner** – Returning to Surgeon on 8/11 to Plan for Next Aneurysm Procedure
- **Jane Grosser** – Rm. #206, Premier at Susquehanna, Millersburg, 17061
- **Warren Hassinger** – Rm. #101 – Connections Unit, Providence Place of Pottsville, 2200 First Avenue, Pottsville, 17901
- **Lorraine Henninger** – Rm. #133, Frey Village, 1020 North Union Street, Middletown, 17057
- **Marzette Hoffman** – Rm. #803, Premier at Susquehanna, Millersburg, 17061
- **Cora Mace** – Rm. #3647, Roosevelt 3, Masonic Health Care Center, 600 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022
- **Joyce Matter** – Rm. #128, Commonwealth Senior Living at Harrisburg, 150 Kempton Avenue, Harrisburg, 17111 (717.909.0417)
- **Lois Watson** – Continuing Her Recovery at Home

Our Faith Active in Worship – July 18, 2021

Current – Budget Goal	\$2,545
Current – Offerings Received	\$2,236
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$456
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$100
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$220
Total Attendance	Zoom – 14, In Person – 83

Strawberry Festival Report

Receipts:	
Donations	\$1,880.00
General Fund	\$16,193.00
Total Receipts:	\$18,073.00

Expenses:	
Hoover's Grocery -ice cream &supplies	\$583.62
Deppen Farms - pie crusts	\$880.00
Sandra Lamenza - festival supplies	\$384.73
Sysco - festival supplies	\$2,081.14
Mike Henninger - hamburger	\$442.75
Kenny Stehr - strawberries	\$3,750.00
Pat Herb - embroidery for aprons	\$209.80
Troutman's Dairy - festival drinks	\$380.36
UD Sentinel - festival advertising	\$67.80
The Daily Item - festival advertising	\$42.00
Citizen Standard - festival advertising	\$55.86
The Restaurant Store	\$1,256.98
Total Expenses:	\$10,135.04

Total Profit:	\$7,937.96
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Festival Breakdown Per Year

1976 - \$1,869.82	1993 - \$4,952.56	2010 - \$10,405.79
1977 - \$1,009.32	1994 - \$4,241.78	2011 - \$10,945.46
1978 - \$1,733.87	1995 - \$4,531.52	2012 - \$11,896.26
1979 - \$2,336.27	1996 - \$4,353.33	2013 - \$11,275.47
1980 - \$3,268.74	1997 - \$4,588.43	2014 - \$10,443.75
1981 - \$2,755.56	1998 - \$4,685.52	2015 - \$14,482.62
1982 - \$3,087.87	1999 - \$6,171.36	2016 - \$13,126.92
1983 - \$4,131.47	2000 - \$5,177.16	2017 - \$12,967.09
1984 - \$3,290.68	2001 - \$5,786.40	2018 - \$14,062.69
1985 - \$3,796.68	2002 - \$6,217.68	2019 - \$15,637.00
1986 - \$3,992.79	2003 - \$5,415.12	2020 - none
1987 - \$3,880.97	2004 - \$8,207.14	2021 - \$7,937.96
1988 - \$3,940.73	2005 - \$8,527.42	
1989 - \$3,580.22	2006 - \$8,328.50	
1990 - \$4,675.62	2007 - \$8,660.40	
1991 - \$4,886.23	2008 - \$10,003.42	
1992 - \$4,993.74	2009 - \$10,856.57	
		Total Profits
		\$301,115.90

Medical Professionals in our prayers in this time of COVID-19:

- Paulette Warner, Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
- Jenna Troutman, RN
- Jodi Thompson, CCMA
- Gwen Switzer, RTR
- Payton Stutzman, Hospital Clinical Assistant
- Kristen Spicher, RN
- Sara Shaffer, RN
- Steven Schlegel, Paramedic
- Michelle Scheff*, MS, CCC/SLP (Speech Therapist in Seattle, WA)
- Joanne Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator
- David Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator
- Dr. Todd Peters* (Chief Medical Officer in Baltimore, MD)
- Joshua Peters, PA-C (Serving in Colorado)
- Dr. Alayna Peters (Doctor of Pharmacy in Hagerstown, MD)
- Courtney Peifer*, Psych Technician
- Sara Paul, Family Practice Center Medical Receptionist
- Bobby Paul, BS
- Angela Paul, PTA
- Cindy Nicholson*, RN
- Whitney Ney, RN
- Haley Nestor*, BSN, RN
- Shannon Motter, RN
- Courtney Miller, B.S. R.T(R)(CT)
- Roni Mace, RN
- Heidi Lehman, RT (R)
- Shawnita Latsha, RT (RDMS, RVT)
- Rose Kell, MS (Occupational Therapist in California)
- Nichole Holman*, RN
- Dr. Tonya Henninger & Dr. Sarah Bork* (Hospitalists in Seattle, WA)
- Robert Foreman, Paramedic
- Courtney Foreman, RN
- Glenn Fontaine*, RN (Serving in Michigan)
- Ann Fontaine*, PA-C (Serving in Michigan)
- Olivia Enders, CNA
- Dr. Seth Eisenberg* (Anesthesiologist in Atlanta, GA)
- Rachel Denlinger*, RN (Serving in Charleston, SC)
- Gary Daniels, EMT
- Dr. Timothy Bruner & Dr. Gabrielle Fregeau* (Doctors of Physical Therapy in Ocean County, NJ)
- Dr. Daniel Bruner & Dr. Richelle Demers* (Doctors of Chiropractic)
- Dr. Jerrel Boyer* (Neurosurgeon in Chicago, IL)
- Dr. Brett Bellis* (Doctor of Chiropractic)
- Chelsea Beard, EFDA

* denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family

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