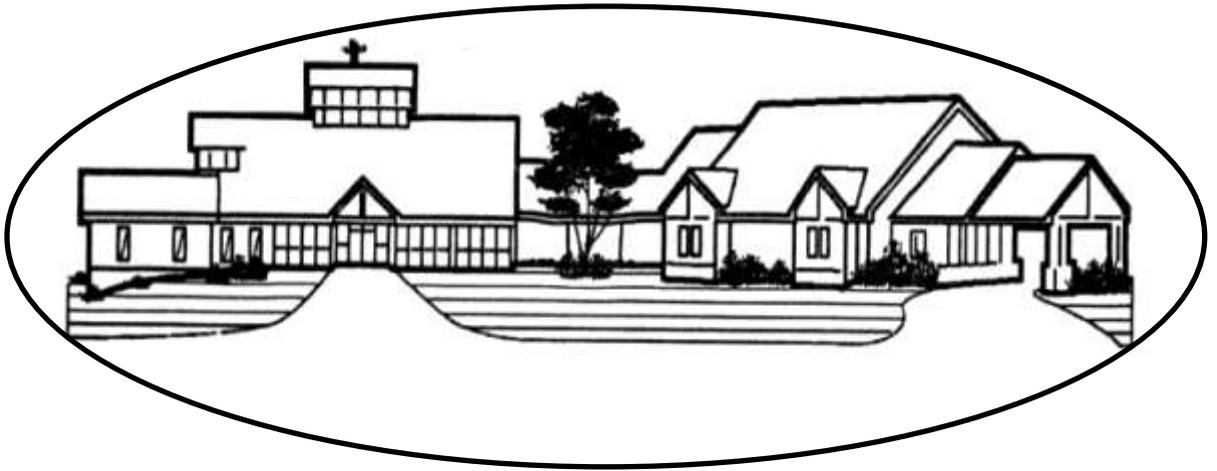

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Fresh Fruit ~ Self-Control

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." Gal. 5:22-23 EHV

The season of Pentecost has begun and it is a season of the church year that focuses on the teachings of Jesus, the growth of the church, and the growth of the believer's faith. Since the church is focusing on growth at the same time as gardens are growing and fresh fruit is being produced, it seems appropriate for us to revisit the fruit of the Spirit. Many of us may have the verse above memorized or even hanging on a wall plaque. And while sermons often reflect upon love and peace or bible class conversations turn to topics like joy and patience, do we give enough focus to the end of the Spirit's fruit list?

Starting at the back of the list, we find self-control. An idea that shows up fairly often in Holy Scripture, even if it isn't quite so regularly present in our lives. Oh, sure enough, we have certain areas of life we have well under control. Some particular behaviors, disciplines, or routines that are well-regulated and mastered. These are the ones we trot out in our minds or in conversation to give the illusion that we're doing OK on the self-control front. But those areas currently under control aren't the areas of life God is reminding us about. It's those areas, hidden or obvious, where we lose control (or fail to even assert any in the first place) where the Holy Spirit wants to do some pruning and tilling in order to produce the fruit of self-control.

So, in response to the Spirit's gardening work in our lives, let's do two things. First, hear again what God says to us about self-control in his Holy Scriptures and, then, let that Word bring change to the out of control areas of our lives.

The need and importance of self-control is a general topic of faith: *"For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith ... with **self-control**..."* 2 Peter 1:5-6 ESV

*"...for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and **self-control**."* 2 Tim 1:7 ESV

It makes the cut for conversation when St. Paul speaks before rulers: *"Now as he spoke about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix became afraid..."* Acts 24:25 HCSB

It should be found in both pastors in particular and in the men and women of the congregation in general: [Overseers should be] *"...hospitable, a lover of good, **self-controlled**, upright, holy, and disciplined."* Titus 1:8 ESV

*"Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, **self-controlled**, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness."* Titus 2:2 ESV

*"...likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and **self-control**..."* 1 Tim. 2:9 ESV

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It's absence is characteristic of the godlessness of people during the Last Days: "... *heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, **without self-control**, brutal, not loving good...*" 2 Tim. 3:3 ESV

Self-control must also be a part of our sexual ethics both outside and inside of marriage: "*But if they do not have **self-control**, they should marry, for it is better to marry than to burn with desire.*" 1 Cor. 7:9 HCSB

"*Do not deprive one another, except perhaps by agreement for a limited time, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of **self-control**.*" 1 Cor. 7:5 ESV

And it isn't a new idea. The Apostles are building on God's wisdom of old that we find recorded in the Old Testament as well: "*A man without **self-control** is like a city broken into and left without walls.*" Prov. 25:28 ESV

In the accounts of those who've gone before us, even in Old Testament times, we see both failures of self-control (Cain and Able, David and Bathsheba) as well as successes that show a model of faithfulness (Joseph in Potiphar's house, Daniel in Babylon). Of course, the greatest example of self-control has been our Lord Jesus himself both in the wilderness temptations and in his life-giving work upon the cross for our forgiveness and salvation.

Maybe most importantly to remember during our own struggles with self-control is that, despite the fact that it involves the "self", we aren't alone in trying to achieve this characteristic. After all, remember the Word that began this article: "The fruit of the Spirit is..." The Holy Spirit is at work and works these things in us. Turn to God's Word, pray for his strength, and let the Spirit do his fruit-producing work.

"*I am convinced of this very thing: that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*" Philippians 1:6 EHV

Pastor David

Congregational Meeting & Potluck Lunch

***Sunday, July 23rd
after the late service***

Please make plans to attend this important meeting and join us for great food and fellowship.

***~We look forward to seeing you there.
Please bring your favorite dish to share.***





Deaconess Musings

Monotonously Beautiful Living

Wake up. Feed the cat. Stretch. Do morning yoga. Drink a cup (or three) of coffee. Get ready for the day. Drive to work. Drive home. Pet the cat. Eat dinner. Do a load of laundry.

Call parents. Read devotions. Go to sleep. Repeat indefinitely.

**Enact variations for vacations and Sunday mornings.*

Monotonous? Perhaps. God-pleasing? You bet.

Vocation is a term we Lutherans love to throw around, season our speech, and flavor our thinking. And for good reason! For our many and varied vocations are present every moment of every day. Your vocation(s) will differ yet remain similar from person to person. Some are mothers or fathers, some are married or single, some are accountants or teachers. Each of these stations/places in life find their center in Christ, for in all the different “titles” we hold we are called to serve others.

Yes, this is all well and good, and we totally understand it. Great! Now go and find joy in your work. Even the normal stuff? Yes, even the normal stuff (mine previously mentioned) is cause for joyful service. Especially feeding/petting the cat!

Finding joy in doing dishes? Clipping the cat’s nails? Making sure your kids brush their teeth? Taking care of an aging parent or spouse? Adhering to deadlines at work? Taking time to spend with your spouse? These seek to serve others and ultimately aim to reflect the love of Christ to those whom we serve.

Teach us to number our days in such a way, that we bring a heart of wisdom... Let your deeds be seen by your servants and your majesty by their children. May the kindness of the Lord our God rest upon us. Establish the work of our hands for us. Yes, establish the work of our hands. ~Psalm 90:12, 16-17

God establishes the work and, out of love and gratitude for what Christ has fully accomplished for us, we set our minds on the work at hand. The littlest and most seemingly insignificant thing you will do today in service towards those around you is now a beautiful offering of thankfulness towards the One who forsake the grandeur of heaven, lived and worked a perfect human life, died in your place, rose to a resurrected life that assures the forgiveness of your sins and lives forever to one day bring you into eternal life.

So even when you fail to love God with your whole heart, soul, mind, and strength, and when you fail to love your neighbor (spouse, child, parent, coworker, friend, enemy) as yourself (*Mark 12:30, 31*), Christ’s forgiveness of sins is there to restore you. And to strengthen you to those exact same acts of love and service. Even if they seem a tad bit monotonous.

What a (sometimes) monotonously beautiful life of service we are called to live.

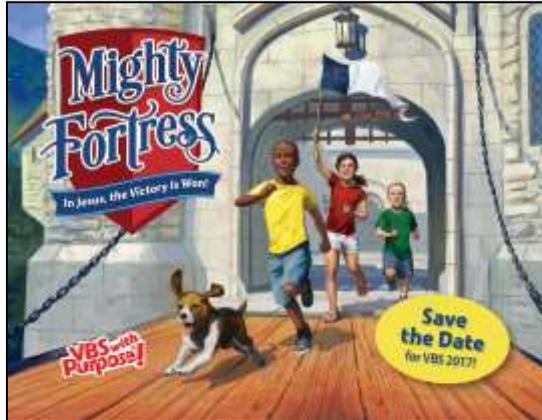
~Deaconess Holly

VBS 2017

MONDAY JULY 17-FRIDAY JULY 21

9:00 AM- 12:00 PM

Ages 3½-13



VBS 2017 is a victory celebration! In *Mighty Fortress* VBS, your children learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts about God, our Mighty Fortress, and the victory Jesus has won for us.

REGISTER NOW! Your children, grandchildren, friends, neighbors ages **3½-13** are invited to share in this exciting victory celebration! **Registration forms are available at the front desk and table in the hallway.** Contact Amy Rebholz at 412-327-7621 or email her at stamping13@hotmail.com with any questions.

VOLUNTEER! God's children of all ages will learn that in Jesus, the victory is won at *Mighty Fortress* VBS. AND, every child will hear the Good News that Jesus, their Savior, has won the victory over sin, death, and the devil and that God gives us that victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! At *Mighty Fortress* VBS, as VBS staff you can live out the theme "In Jesus, the victory is won" as you share the message and the fun with kids! If you can help, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests.

To volunteer, complete info below and put in Amy Rebholz's mailbox. Or sign up on the bulletin board!

We appreciate your prayers for *Mighty Fortress*, our Vacation Bible School. Ask God to bring children to our program so they can know and grow in Jesus, our Savior! Ask God to provide leaders and helpers for this important mission. ~Thank you

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

“This is the day the Lord has made, let us be glad and rejoice in it” Psalm 118:24 (NIV)

Greetings..... I pray that you all are enjoying the warmer weather and taking time to enjoy our piece of paradise that the Lord has given us here in the Upstate of South Carolina. I, for one, after living here for 10 plus years, ask myself from time to time how it is I am so blessed to be surrounded by such beauty. It's almost like living a dream especially those mornings I go out fishing before dawn and see another beautiful sunrise God has provided. I almost forget about fishing...well not really!

Now to some business, I would like to mention a few items the Council discussed at our last meeting in an effort to keep you informed. The Elders have recommended that two additional handicap parking spaces be added to our parking lot. The location will be discussed with the Property Board for best placement. I would also like to encourage all who are able to park further away from the entrance doors to provide extra parking spaces close to the church since there are occasions when the handicap spots are filled. God willing, we will appreciate this loving gesture someday ourselves. In addition to this, a railing along one side of the handicapped ramp and protective grates over the rain catch basins near the front doors are out for a bid.

A church roadway sign has been suggested to be placed on highway 123 to help inform people of our existence and location. It will be double sided so it can be seen driving in either direction. Its design is being created for approval. Stay tuned as more details emerge.

A vote was taken to allow us to move forward with the initial steps toward the Comfort Dog Ministry. The congregation will be asked to vote for the same permission at our July meeting. Please come and be a part of this meeting to hear all the details involved with this request.

Deaconess Holly will now coordinate the new Care Ministry here at ESLC. She will gather personal care requests and disseminate to the proper committees to insure our member needs are met during a difficult time, be it a death of a loved one, illness or any other situation that requires some needed help.

I hope to see you all at our July 23rd meeting where these and many more topics will be discussed. We will be voting this day also to accept our 2017-2018 LLPS budget and of course enjoying a delicious pot-luck meal together. Please be safe this July 4th holiday and let us never stop praying for our country that God has so blessed us with. Remember our freedoms that we have are not free so let us give thanks also for the men and women who give and have given of themselves for this gift.

*In His Service,
Rudy Carbone*

Different

by Kerry Blount

Still in shepherd's clothing, unwashed from his work with the sheep, a bewildered boy knelt in the thick dust of his father's compound in the village of Bethlehem. His father and seven older brothers, along with the elders of the village, stood in a semicircle around him, gazing quizzically and expectantly at the feared and famous man facing him. Before David, youngest of Jesse's sons, stood Israel's fiery prophet and judge, Samuel, who not so long before had brutally executed Agag, the Amalekite king, to complete the destruction that Saul, the warrior king of Israel, had failed to inflict on that people. The small crowd watched, silent and intent, eyes narrowed by the glare of the sun, as Samuel intoned the short but powerful words of anointing—*God's anointing*—and poured the ram's horn of glistening ceremonial oil over the shepherd's dusty black hair, because he was different. (*I Samuel 16*)

Still sweating from his journey with a small load of grain, bread and cheeses, his father's gifts to his brothers and their commander, the same bewildered young man stood among the seasoned soldiers on the brow of the hills overlooking the valley of Elah, shamed by their inaction and perplexed by their fear. On the level ground below, a fearsomely armed and armored warrior stood with his legs apart, roaring out invective against Israel's army, its king and its god. Yet, as David scoured the hills to the left and right, not one shout or raised shield, spear, or sword answered the derisive, taunting challenge. Demonstrably indignant in the face of this unceasing and unopposed defiance of God, David soon found himself ushered before the commander whose responsibility it was to respond to the defiant Philistine, Saul, king of Israel. Offered the best armament in the Israeli camp, David took just a sling and five smooth stones, only one of which he would need, and walked into the valley, because he was different. (*I Samuel 17*)

Still secretly pleased that his subterfuge in engineering the battle death of his new wife's former husband had gone unnoticed for almost a year, the bewildered king pondered the approaching audience with Nathan, his court prophet. David still felt the sting of Nathan's message from the Lord denying him the opportunity to build a majestic dwelling place to remind his fickle and forgetful people of God's continuing presence and protection over Israel. "Why now?" he thought. But the memory of Bathsheba's beauty, even in her pregnancy, and the thought of the son he would soon hold in his arms—and it would be another son—soothed his musings until the stern face of the troublesome prophet could be seen approaching across the timbered hall. The audience was quickly over, though its consequences still echo through eternity. Responding to Nathan's words with a heart full of remorse and repentance, David confessed to God what He already knew, acknowledging the uncompromising truth that nothing is hidden from the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. Because he was different. (*II Samuel 12; Psalm 51*)

Different in submitting himself to an unknown future. Different in his willingness to defend his people and the honor of his God against overwhelming odds. Different in letting God chose the time for his kingship, and though already anointed, for refusing to take that timing into his own hands when tempted to kill the previously anointed king. Different in accepting the judgment of God that thwarted his personal desire to build a magnificent house for his Lord. Different in confessing his sins of murder and adultery instead of executing the accusing messenger.

An accomplished musician and poet from an early age, David often expressed his reaction to God's claim upon his life in the music of the Psalms. In Psalm 101, he reveals his longing to be different from the kings who came before, different from those corrupted by power, different from those who ignore God's way in favor of their own. Different by praising God with his actions and his character rather than with words and rituals. From his youth he knew that the God of Israel calls each of us to be different, and he yearned to "know nothing of evil." (*Psalm 101:4*) Oh that we might share that yearning, longing with all our being to be different; a people "after God's heart." *Acts 13:22, I Samuel 13:14*

MISSION NEWS

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Laotchikit – a church in fellowship with the LCMS

Last month our Mission Committee invited the Mt Pisgah LCMS Mission Team to give us a presentation on their efforts in Haiti. Pastor Phil McLain is the interim pastor at Mt Pisgah and suggested we review how our congregations might work together.



About five years ago, LCMS churches in North Carolina accepted a call to help a sister congregation in Laotchikit, Haiti by funding the construction of a church building. The congregation in Haiti already existed and worshiped regularly under a ragged tarp in the hot sun in the middle of a field. Today, this church building is used six to seven days per week. It is the only building structure in the village made of durable materials of concrete and iron and it is the only church, the only school, the only hope for an area of about a thousand people whose poverty is so hopeless you cannot imagine.

Why is the church in Laotchikit such an urgent mission field? Because with no access to health care, crushing poverty, constant natural disasters, and mal-nutrition, people frequently get sick and die. Mt. Pisgah supports the staff of teachers, cooks, nurse, and gatekeeper. They are the only source of aid to the school's staff where teachers earn \$100 per month to teach in open classrooms or under a tarp with 20 to 60 children. There are wonderful things happening in Laotchikit because Mt Pisgah members accepted God's call to financially help these children. Each school day, over 300 children come to school. This is a huge improvement because most of their parents do not read and never had the opportunity to attend school. Each school day the children receive a hot nutritious lunch from the Trinity Hope feeding program. For most children, it is the only meal they eat all day.

There is a school nurse who treats sick children and staff members. This is the only medical treatment many of them have ever had. The nurse teaches children about dental and personal hygiene and she encourages families to use wisdom in family planning and limit the number of pregnancies they have through contraception. Thanks to donations from members of Mt. Pisgah, the church has established a sewing group to train young women to sew to make the uniforms for the school children and learn a trade to earn money for themselves.

When asked how we at ESLC can help – the answer was “pray for this Laotchikit church”. When asked if we should send a team to help with a construction project – “no, we don't want to give them a fish, we want to teach them to fish”. In the future we might have some go and help teach them the skills needed to build, but not to do the actual work. Today they need help by supplying fabrics and patterns, quilts, and sewing supplies. Women of ESLC can be a huge benefit in this mission outreach without leaving home. Stay tuned as more details are posted on the Electronic Bulletin Board and the Narthex Mission Board. Don't want to wait? Get in touch with Lars Helland, Pastor David, or Deaconess Holly.

MISSION NEWS

TOYS FOR GOD’S KIDS: Our TFGK team here at ESLC had a very successful work day in June where we assembled 300 toy cars in preparation for sending them to the mission field. A lot of work goes into preparing these cars but it is all worth it when we see the smiles on the faces of the children who receive these small toys. We treat each toy car as if we were making it for our grandchildren. If you would like to be part of this ministry please let Mike Hauser or Pastor Ray know. Our next work day will be the second week of July. Come join us and become a “Smilemaker” too!



HONDURAS MISSION 2018: Preparations are underway for our 2018 mission trip to Tegucigalpa, Honduras. This will be the fifth year that ESLC has sent a team to Honduras to minister to the Spiritual and medical needs of the people there. If this is something that you have thought about doing in the past then, now is the time to make it a reality in the present. This is a well organized trip with our host being World Gospel Outreach (wgoreach.org). Check their web site and see why we are so excited about having a part in this ministry. We have nine missionaries who have committed so far and we have room for whoever else may want to go. Contact the church office or Pastor Ray if you would like to be part of our next team or if you would like more information. Dios te bendiga (God Bless You)!

The Crossing Youth News for July 2017



*Please join us Sunday's in room 213 at 9:45am.
Friends are always welcome!*

GET READY, GET SET....It's coming:

Operation Christmas Child "Christmas in July" Fundraiser

This month you'll see the Tree in the Narthex, covered with 200 Operation Christmas Child labels like the ones below. (Except they will be in color J)



The Crossing Youth hope to raise enough money to pack and ship 200 Shoeboxes this year, and we need your help!

It costs only \$20.00 to sponsor a box, and we're asking everyone to sponsor one, or more, LOGO Ornaments for \$20.00 each. If we can get all 200 ornaments sponsored, we'll reach our goal of sending the Gospel to 200 children this Christmas.

Please be on the lookout for our Tree and Ornaments. We're trusting God to grow this ministry and reach even more kids for Christ. Please consider how God would have you partner with us. Together, with Samaritan's Purse, we can change the life of those we reach with the Gospel. Thank you in advance for your support! ~ *The Crossing Youth*

FEEDING THE HUNGRY OF SENECA, SAT. JULY 8TH

On **Saturday, July 8th** we'll be serving our hungry friends in Seneca. We'll plan to meet behind the Market Basket in downtown Seneca (or at Our Daily Bread depending on the weather). Please come and join us the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you're planning on helping prepare the food, meet at church at 9:45am. If you just want to serve, arrive at 11am behind the Market Basket in downtown Seneca. Any questions, call my cell at (770) 331-1300. *Thank you all for sharing your love with our neighbors. ~John Cochell*



Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dog Ministry

On June 11, twenty-seven members met to learn more about the Comfort Dog Ministry. We were blessed to have two handlers from Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Loudon, TN, Sue and Mark Roeder present, to talk about their church's Comfort Dog Jewel. We saw a video detailing all Jewel does in her community and heard from the various people she has comforted. It was quite a moving video to say the least. Jewel would have joined us except she was in Orlando, Florida with several other Comfort Dogs (and Sasha!) to offer compassion to the people of Orlando one year after the Pulse shooting. I think we were all touched by Jewel's ability to engage with people as she opened up opportunities for her handlers to pray, share God's word and simply show love to hurting people.

I am not sure if you have noticed or not, but I am so excited about this ministry! Sometimes I think to myself, why am I so excited, enthusiastic, even passionate about the LCC Comfort Dog Ministry? Why do I want to get involved, promote, delve in, and consider it as an additional compassionate ministry for us at ESLC?

I have thought long and hard about this...I do love dogs that is a fact. But what is it exactly about a dog that stirs my heart? Here is what I realized; a dog loves unconditionally no matter the mood or emotional state of the human at the time. A dog offers comfort that is real, genuine, and non-judgmental and does not offer advice. Okay, but why should we at ESLC get a Comfort Dog? I truly believe a trained Comfort Dog will offer many additional opportunities for ESLC members to show the compassion, mercy and love of Jesus to those hurting in our community and beyond in a way we as humans can't always do. I think the picture speaks volumes of this love and compassion more than words can say. Pictured is Jewel comforting a griever in Orlando last year. This photo was actually featured on the front cover of the NY Times!



Please pray about this ministry as we seek God's will in moving forward to take the first steps to initiate the Comfort Dog Ministry. If you are interested in learning what a Comfort Dog does, just follow Jewel, Sasha or any of the other Comfort Dogs on Facebook. You may also contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. Thank you for your consideration. *Kyra Carbone 864-886-1229*

"Dogs don't rationalize. They don't hold anything against a person. They don't see the outside of a human but the inside of a human." Cesar Millan (aka The Dog Whisperer)

FOOD BANK NEWS:

Please help us in collecting preferred needed canned, or boxed grocery items each month. These items will help restock the Golden Corner Food Pantry's shelves. Each month we will have a different preferred product featured. **July's** preferred product is **"Mac and Cheese"** Please help us overload the collection box (**the big blue trash can marked Food Bank down by the main Fellowship Hall**).
~Thank you for your generosity and support.



Greeting Card Ministry

In need of a card for a special occasion or friend. Need to send a birthday note or words of encouragement. Look no farther than the ESLC card cart located in the main fellowship hall. Plenty of cards to choose from at a very affordable price. *As always we thank you for your support!*



SCRIP CARDS

Please remember that **Scrip cards make *great gifts* and earn money for Eternal Shepherd at the same time.** Please see your scrip ladies today or pick up an order form located by the Scrip box in the narthex.
~Thank you for your support.



SPECIAL GIFTS/MEMORIALS



In *May* the following gifts were given:

In loving memory of *Dr. Vil Griffin*
the Missions Fund received a gift of \$400.00,
the Little Lambs Preschool Fund received a gift of \$300.00
and the Memorial Fund received gifts of \$300.00

In loving memory of *Lynn Norton*
the Memorial Fund received a gift of \$100.00

In loving memory of *Dave Schultz*
the Missions Fund received gifts of \$135.00
and the Memorial Fund received gifts of \$120.00

Other Gifts:

The Alaska Missions Fund received gifts of \$1,675.00

The Capital Campaign Building Fund received gifts of \$5,525.00
and a gift of \$29.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars

The Comfort Dog Ministry received a gift of \$100.00

The Disaster Relief Fund received gifts of \$732.00

The Fashion Show Fundraiser for Collins Children's Home
received gifts of \$1,010.93

The Food Bank Fund received gifts of \$40.00

The Little Lambs Preschool Fund received a gift of \$1,500.00

The Special Missions Fund received a gift of \$100.00

The Youth Fund received gifts of \$325.00

Little Lambs Tales

Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him. Psalms 127:3

As we began our first weeks of Summer Camp, we were once again reminded of what special gifts these children at Little Lambs Preschool are to us; rewarding us with their smiles, their laughter and their hugs. What better gift can be given?

Our summer started off with the first week of camp enjoying the Beach and Ocean Life! The children enjoyed the “beach” by playing in the sand, tossing beach balls and creating beach art! During chapel, the children learned all about God’s Creation and how awesome it is!

As we enter into our second week of camp the children will use their imagination and become Super Heroes! They will put on their capes and fly off into the wonderful world of imagination! During our chapel time, the children will learn about vocations and how they can be an everyday hero through their vocation and do God’s work for others.

We will be closed the first few weeks of July and will begin again July 11th as we learn all about Fantastic Fairy Tales during the first week. Vacation Bible School will be held the following week and we finish out the month of July with our 4th week of camp where we will have fun going to the Circus! We hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer!



*Blessings in Christ,
Gina*



FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT SNACKS

Bring joy to a friend by sharing a "peace" of this yummy dessert!

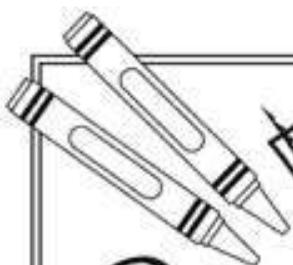
What you need:

- adult help
- two 8" cake pans
- cooking spray
- 9 cups mini marshmallows
- 6 tablespoons butter
- food coloring (green and red)
- 9 cups crisp rice cereal
- mini chocolate chips



What you do:

1. Spray cake pans.
2. Melt 4 cups marshmallows and 2 T. butter in microwave or on stove top. Add green food coloring. Stir.
3. Pour 4 cups cereal into bowl. Add green mixture. Stir with buttered spatula.
4. Put half into each pan and press along the sides with buttered hands.
5. Repeat using 5 cups marshmallows, 4 T. butter, 5 cups cereal and red food coloring.
6. Press half into the center of each pan, leaving a narrow outside border of green. Smooth the top.
7. Press mini chocolate chips into the red mixture.
8. Let cool. Then cut into wedges. Enjoy!

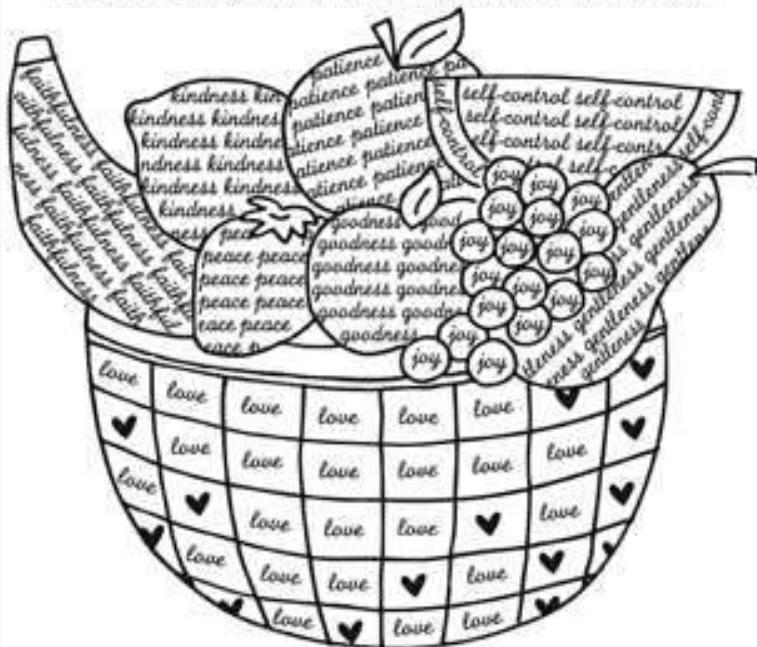


PUZZLE

Seasonal Fruit

Although some fruit is seasonal, God encourages us to share the fruit of the Spirit with other people all year long. Galatians 5:22-23 lists the fruits we should give away.

Directions: Count each fruit (full words only) and write the numbers below.



Love= ___ Joy= ___ Peace= ___ Patience= ___ Kindness= ___

Goodness= ___ Faithfulness= ___ Gentleness= ___ Self-control= ___

Answers: Love=24, Joy=18, Peace=7, Patience=7, Kindness=2, Goodness=6, Faithfulness=6, Gentleness=6, Self-control=5

SERVICE TIMES

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 2nd & 4th Sundays)

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
& Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays)



THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor: David Hammer

Deaconess: Holly Lustila

Secretary: Celeste Entrekin

Preschool Director: Gina Cote

Choir Director: Rick Schmidt

Choir Accompanist: Michelle Rowland

Organist: David Phillips

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