



July 2024 Newsletter

Happy 4th of July!

A Message from Our Pastor

Read Galatians 5:1, 13-21

1 For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another.

14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh.

17 For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed

do to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want.

18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness,

20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions,
21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I
warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

As I grew up playing baseball my coaches always told me at batting practice, “keep your eye on the ball”. At different times, during a close game, I would worry about the game so much that I stopped keeping my eye on the ball. My worries distracted me to the point that I did take my off the ball; and when I did, the outcome was not good.

This is that Paul was telling the Christians in Galatia. Having been set free from the power and effects of sin in their lives, they had set out to follow the way of Jesus with enthusiasm and joy. Gradually, they had begun to “take their eye off the ball” and were in danger of slipping into darkness and destructiveness of sin again. As their coach and mentor, Paul warned them to stay in the game. “Live out your love daily as you serve each other,” he said. The way to do this was to keep their focus on the Holy Spirit.

The apostle would speak the same words into our lives today. Committed to living a life of perfect love, we are often tempted to “take our eye off the ball.” We need to remain open to the Spirit in our lives as we live out the good news of God’s love for us. (Lord, fill me with your Spirit today, so that I may stay focused on my call in life: to serve you in the image of Christ.)

Pastor Brian



Christ Kitchen needs canned chicken, Ragu spaghetti sauce, and
8 ounce Styrofoam cups.

The Food Pantry does not need anything this month.



July Calendar

July 7, 2024 – OUR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP TIME CHANGES TO 11:00 AM

July 4 - 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM - St. Andrew's Annual Breakfast
in Fellowship Hall – What a blessing to our community!!

July 7 – 4:44 PM - THE TABLE with music, message and a meal
menu: subs, watermelon, and ice cream

July 11 – Fishermen Small Group in Wesley Classroom

July 14 – Finance Team Meeting Parlor 2 PM

July 22 – St. Andrew Church Council at 6:00 PM in the Parlor

July 25 – Fishermen Small Group has lunch at Christ Kitchen

Occurring Weekly

SNAP is on vacation for the month of July and will return August 5

Karate – Mondays in the Crusaders Classroom from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

Boy Scouts – Mondays in Cottrell Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Amy's and Bob's Small Groups – Wednesday at 6:30 PM – ZOOM

Diana and Tim's small group – Thursday at 11:00 AM – ZOOM

The Cub Scouts will not meet during the summer months.

The choir will not be singing during the summer months of June and July.

ZOOM link for Wednesday small groups:

Meeting ID: 870 9640 8438 Passcode: 447031

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87096408438?pwd=UUh3bm1EREIuT3BGNFJQVVpJaWVkdz09>



SNAP

SNAP had a busy June with Cornhole, Crafts, and Bingo at the Hansford Center. We enjoyed **Garfield: The Movie** at the theater and History Alive presentations at St. Marks where we met Mary Ingles' son Thomas, as well as Mother Jones. We ended the SNAP 2023-24 session on June 26th with a luncheon and celebration of our July birthdays.

Where has this year gone? We'll be taking a summer break in July but will be back for the 2024-25 session in August.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy summer , Ms Ruth, Ms Wanda, Ms Linda & our SNAP Family



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

July 6	Gwyneth Cartright
July 8	Mary Lou Stowers
	Judy Withrow

July 12	John Radochio
July 14	Pat Hart
July 16	DeAnn Thomas
July 18	Connie Winter
July 20	Craig Wood
July 21	Abby Hall
July 22	Julia Epperson
	Matthew Loftis
July 25	Woody Lucas
	Sheila Radochio
July 29	Brenda Parsons

Anniversaries

July 31	Gayle and Dan Rittenhouse
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Prayer Requests July 2, 2024

Rev. Jarrold and Debbie Lanham

Peg Henrich

Allison Hubbard-Jones

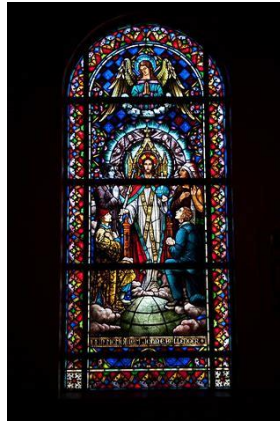
Bob Hubbard and Family

Dan Rittenhouse

Gary and Barbara Asbury

Jill Taylor, friend of John Danford

Emma Gandee
Ann and David Estep
Libby Lamp Thompson
Julie Shane, daughter of Carol Huffman
Randi Robinson
Libby Londeree
Linda White by Kathy Stalnaker
Jack Talbert by Kathy Stalnaker
Suzie Maxton, niece of Jeannie White
The family of Don Nichols in his passing



Attendance last Sunday

In Person: 50

Online: 43