



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of June 24, 2018

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in honor of the marriage of
Ellen Leigh Seale and George Lewis Grieve.

Today, June 24! Reception immediately following worship in the Reception Room. **Join us as we say good-bye to Pastor Gary Dreier who has faithfully served Ebenezer as Pastoral Associate.** This is an opportunity for us to offer our best wishes and blessings as his journey carries him into retirement from his work in the parish.

GraceWorks: July 15-20. Register Now Through July 1 on Facebook THROUGH JULY 1 —Search GRACEWORKS SC! This collaborative ministry of Midlands-area Lutheran churches is a week-long volunteer service camp for middle and high school youth and adults who seek to serve our community. We bring together congregations to work with the most vulnerable people in our community by partnering with local agencies. Each day includes service opportunities throughout our community plus worship, faith formation, relationship building and leadership development. This year GraceWorks will gather at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Rising 6th graders to recently graduated are welcome! Cost: \$50 for youth, payable to Ebenezer. Youth and adults will bring their lunch each day. Adults are needed to chaperone the groups of youth going out to serve in the community. All who attend are asked to register by July 1, including adult volunteers. Adults must also complete Child Protection Training prior to July 8. Questions? Contact Mimi Wortham-Brown mimiwb@sc.rr.com or text or call 803.319.5007. We look forward to serving with YOU!

Check out the Giving Tree located in the Reception Room. Our next opportunities to host Family Promise are fast approaching, so we are starting the planning process now. Also, since our rotations occur closely together, we are purposefully scheduling for both: August 26 – September 2 and October 7 – 14. Please look over the needed areas and see how you will serve.

WEEK AT A GLANCE *as submitted for Master Calendar*

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship, Church
11:30 am Reception in honor of Pastor Gary Dreier

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Library
7:30 pm AA, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

National Youth Gathering, Houston, Texas
Assemble/ Mail *Parish News*
12:10 pm Worship, Church

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

National Youth Gathering, Houston, Texas
7:30 am Seeds of Hope Market, Courtyard

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

National Youth Gathering, Houston, Texas

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

National Youth Gathering, Houston, Texas

SUNDAY, JULY 1

National Youth Gathering, Houston, Texas
9:15 am Sunday School
9:15 Protection Policy Training, Library
10:30 am Worship, Church

This Wednesday, June 27, five youth and four adults from Ebenezer will attend the ELCA

National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas.

During this event, they will participate in a Service Learning Day, an Interactive Learning Day and a Synod Day. You may follow this group and watch a live streaming of the gathering by going to elca.org/gathering.

Please keep these disciples in your prayers as they travel: Olivia & Mark Bokesch, Mike, Julie & Kaitlyn Siomacco, Callie Baucom, Addison Floyd, Christian Hampton and Jane Holmes.

HOW MEMBERS RECEIVE INFORMATION

- * Sunday worship bulletin includes an information insert
- * Verbal announcements before worship.
- * The *Parish News*, our monthly newsletter.
- * Ebenezer website
- * Group electronic mail.
- * Group voice messages by phone.
- * Forums following worship services.

If you are not receiving information in any of these formats, please contact Diane Oliver in the church office - 765.9430.

The **SEEDS OF HOPE Summer Farmers Market** started back last Thursday and will continue in our courtyard on Richland Street, 7:30-10:30 am. Shop for your fresh fruits and vegetables and help support a South Carolina farmer and his family. Share location, dates and time with your family, friends and co-workers.

Do you take pictures of special events here at the church? - Vacation Bible School, a special church dinner, Bible class, etc? We would love to have these digital photos on file for future use in church publications. Please send to dturner@ebenezerlutheran.org

Prayers

Grieving: Kathy Coolidge (husband, Dick). **Member Concerns:** Linda Smith Shealy; Gary Dreier; Pat Wertz; David Wertz. **Non-Member Concerns:** Jim Campbell and Teresa Morarity (friends of Suxanne Sexton); Maryanne Kee (friend of Rachael Richardson)

Daily Prayer Ministry. It can be difficult to keep in touch with other church family members. We pray for members at times of special need, but often times overlook praying for one another during the "normal" times of life. It is for that reason that during the Prayers of the Church each Sunday, members of our church family are lifted up in prayer by name. Although this weekly list may have names of people we don't know very well or have never met, we are called to pray and care for one another as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Daily Prayer Ministry

Kevin and Lisa Brasington; Hannah Branham; Brent Breedin and Catherine Muller; Drue Bridges; Maurice Brooks and Rosemary Jones; Tom and Ellen Brown

Lectionary Readings for the Week

Mon Psalm 65; Exodus 7:14-24; Acts 27:13-38
Tues Psalm 65; Exodus 9:13-35; Acts 27:39-44
Wed Psalm 65; Joshua 10:1-14; Mark 6:45-52
Thur Psalm 30; Lamentations 1:16-22;
2 Corinthians 7:2-16
Fri Psalm 30; Lamentations 2:1-12;
2 Corinthians 8:1-7
Sat Psalm 30; Lamentations 2:18-22; Luke 4:31-37

Readings for Sunday, July 1

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Lamentations 3:22-33; Psalm 30;
2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

Finance Report

Weekly Contributions received 6/17/18	\$ 8,282
Weekly Contributions received 6/10/18	\$ 7,633
Total Offerings & Other Income thru 05/31/18	\$ 252,900
Total Spent on Ministry thru 05/31/18	\$ (292,588)
Net Income (Loss) thru 05/31/18	\$ (39,688)

*ELC needs an average of \$16,843/week