

Christ Lutheran Church

Germantown, Maryland

Epistle To the Saints

June 2024

Service at 10:30 AM each Sunday

Tuesday, June 11th-Church Council Reports due to Carrie

Sunday, June 16th-Father's Day, Communion, Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 25th-Friday, 28th-General Convention of the AALC



Welcome!

To view the livestream of our services, go to the church Facebook page (Christ Lutheran Church AALC) or go to our website (christlutheranofgermantown.org) and click the link at the bottom of the first page. Once on the FB page click the "videos" tab. Bulletins for our services are on the website.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

MERYL BENENATI: *Lord, we thank you for your continued healing in Meryl.*

BOB PETERSEN: *Father, we thank you for watching over Bob. We ask that you continue to heal him as he continues treatment.*

REVEREND DR. CAREY LARSON: *Father, we thank you for Reverend Larson. We pray that you will keep him in your care and bless his work in Your name.*

PASTOR SCOTT YOUNT: *Lord we ask that you bless Pastor Yount and his wife, Lena, as they faithfully serve you and spread the word of the Lord.*

FOR OUR CONGREGATION: *Father, we ask your merciful goodness in providing us with the wisdom, discernment and courage to do Your will.*

FOR OUR CHILDREN: *Lord, keep each of them strong in You each day. Protect them and guide them in the plan that You have for each of them.*

FOR OUR PASTORS: *By the power and presence of the Holy Spirit, please uphold and help them stand firm in the truth of Your gracious word.*

FOR OUR SEMINARY STUDENTS: *Father we ask that you be with Chris Clarke as he prepare to join the ministry.*

FOR THOSE SERVING AWAY FROM HOME: *Father, please guide them in Your mercy and bless them with the fullness of Your love.*



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Christ Lutheran Church AALC

Our Facebook page is looking great! Lots of wonderful information about our church, congregation, and news.

Every week the service's video is posted. AWESOME!

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It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter.

PSALM 74:17

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We encourage you to provide Jeane with your comments and things that you think would add additional value to the site.



BAPTISM

On Sunday, May 12th, we were honored to witness and celebrate the Baptism of Jasmine Ann Stapf, Leilani Danielle Stapf and Athena Marie Stapf.



And this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

~1 Peter 3:21

We had a luncheon to celebrate the Baptism's and First Communion for Jenna Perini, Jasmine Stapf and Remington Stapf.



Serving Days for Foster and Adoptive Families

By Becky Stapf

“Because we have been so radically loved by God, we just can’t help ourselves but to love.”

- Pastor Paul Foss.

All of you have shared in my family’s journey of foster care and adoption, and have been so supportive. I wanted to share about another group who have also come along side our family and other foster and adoptive families to help, support, and show Jesus’ love.

Waterboyz for Jesus is a group that was started by Pastor Paul Foss at Damascus Road Community Church. Their mission is to “call men into the EPIC adventure of wholeheartedness toward God, family, church, and community.” They have several ways that they do this through weekly and monthly Bible studies, but another also through their S.W.A.T team. S.W.A.T. stands for Service with a Testimony.

They demonstrate this service in different ways, but one of the things S.W.A.T. does is Serving Days twice a year for foster and adoptive families. For about the last 5 years, Waterboyz has partnered with several other local churches to form work teams that go around Frederick County to do a variety of home projects for families. Landscaping, yard work, deck building, installing playground equipment, plumbing, electrical work, painting, cleaning and organizing, and many other jobs are tackled on these work days. Team captains put together groups of people with skills, willingness, and a desire to serve.

These days are always special and a real blessing for each of the families. For us, it’s special not only because so many jobs get done, but because of the people who give up their time to come and serve. The group that comes to my house each time is led by team captain, Cam Overs. He has built a team that includes people that have helped multiple times and our family has been able to build relationships with them over the years. The kids get so excited when Mr. Cam or one of the others come by, and they always want to help with whatever job is being done. The people that come to help on Serving Days come to work, but they also spend time getting to know the families. They let the kids help, or bring their kids to work and play. So much work gets done, but it is such a blessing to see the hands and feet of Jesus shown in ways even beyond the work.

On May 18, the teams served 28 families in the Frederick County area. A group of about 25-30 came to my house. They installed 2 brand new vanities, a new microwave, built a new gate on my deck, did landscaping, painted Will’s bedroom, and leveled a space under my deck for a shed. All of the supplies and materials for the projects were donated or bought at cost from businesses and individuals who also love and want to serve God in this way.

Waterboyz could use your help to further their abilities to help others. If you would like to help further these Serving Days, you can send your donation to Waterboyz for Jesus at 7138 Proclamation Place Frederick, MD 21703. If you would like to learn more about Waterboyz and how they assist the community, you can go to www.waterboyz.com or call 240-285-2650.





*“Why should I feel discouraged,
Why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely,
And long for heav’n and home;
When Jesus is my portion?
My constant Friend is he;
His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know he watches me.*

*I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free;
For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he
watches me”*

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