

The Light of St. John
St. John's Lutheran Church

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"I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE." (JOHN 14:6)



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*"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."
1 Thessalonians 5:11*

When I was called to be the minister at St. John's Deanville more than ten years ago, I met with the Assistant to the Synod Bishop who gave me some sound advice. He told me that ministry is all about relationships.

While those words ring true, I realize they don't go far enough. Essentially, all of life is about relationships, and with our actions and words each day we are either building up those relationships or tearing them down. One of my favorite verses in the Bible is Ephesians 4:29 where Paul writes, *"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."* That verse reminds me of the hymn, *"Make Me a Blessing"*, which encourages us to be a blessing to others that we come into contact with each day to bless them with our words and actions. Whether that be your closest friend or the stranger in front of you in line at the grocery store. That you are using your life every day as a vessel of grace and to be a blessing to those around you.

Since Covid-19 has required most of the population to work from home, I have spent quite a bit of time in the church office each week. Although I enjoyed the solitude at first, being by yourself in an office all day came to be a lonely existence. I looked forward to anyone who might stop by for a visit. And when we cancelled worship for about a month during April, it was difficult not seeing the faces of people whom I see every Sunday. We really are meant to live in relation to one another, and isolating ourselves from each other was difficult. Our council has decided to continue in person worship for now and to encourage social distancing. We understand that there are some who do not feel comfortable attending worship during this pandemic, and to that end we will record some of the sermons and post them to the website.

But whether you are able to worship in person or not during this trying time, I hope you will remember the two greatest commands which Jesus gave us, which are to love God and to love others as God loves us. And Paul said that while faith, hope, and love remain, the greatest of these is love. I believe that life is a training ground for learning how to love and to live in relation to one another, and love is what we will leave behind when we leave this earthly life.

And with that in mind may we use our lives to build each other up, speak words of comfort and encouragement every day that bless those around us, and may God be glorified.

Blessings,

Terry

SERVING IN August

Kitchen: Casey Smith

Altar: Susette Hart

Usher: Susette Hart(Council Member)

Randall Hart— RJ Smith

FLOWERS

2nd Ashlee Teleshow- (Jolee's Birthday)

9th Marsha Kocurek - Anniversary

16th Alyssa Melson

23rd Barbara Smith

30th Debby & James Schumacher



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Please pray for our Country, the World, those in the military the shut-ins, the lonely, those in need of healing and their families: Michael Faust, Elwood and Cathy Moore, Rodney Havemann, Barbara Smith, Tom Krennek, Mary Bess and Garnett Gerdes, Linda Brinkman, Sarah and Chester Canady, Larry Kubecka, Roy Havemann, Delores Milzcewski, David Ronneberg, Dennis and Estelle Hejtmancik, Jake Cedidla, Kelly Kubiak, Marcus & Susan Broesche, Glen Drew, Ronnie Langham, Taylor Power, Edward Beran, Cathi Laney, Shannon Miller, John Laffere, John Boyd, Adele Zboril, Kim and David Hardin, Glen and Amelia Wearden, Patricia Tarnowski, prayers for those needing surgery, those who are in treatment for cancer and cancer survivors, and prayers for the family of Maxine Haney Lammergard, J.W. Zalmanek, and Lennie "Pearl" Wood. Lord we pray that you come to our aid with your love and healing for all affected by Covid-19.

In the past years, plans were being made for back to school. The excitement of students buying new school supplies/ clothes, learning whose class they would be in, finding out which friends would be in their class or attending their first day of college and in the church "Blessing of the Backpacks". This year is like no other year: Instead of the usual excitement of years in the past there is stress and dealing with the unknown. This year families are faced with deciding if their children are to do virtual classes or in person classes, wearing mask and how will they learn while maintaining social distancing. Starting the new school year starts a new chapter in public education. There is a huge learning curve that students, teachers, and district administrators are navigating. Please keep the students, parents, teachers and administrators in your daily prayers. May we look to God for comfort, guidance and strength. Amen

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Our mission is to follow the great commission of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ in our community through worship, fellowship, and discipleship growth. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

Jesus promised to be with us "even to the very end of the age" (Matt. 28:20). Even though we are living in unprecedented times, the church family of St. John's is still praying for you. If you need anything, please contact a church member, council member or Pastor Terry.

May God be with you all!

Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m



MEMORIALS GIVEN TO
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Given In Memory Of

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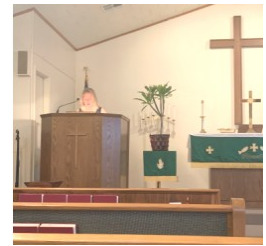
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John Maresh

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Garnett & Mary Bess Gerdes

Thanks to the Ladies who participated in St. John's Women's Service



THANKS to everyone who supported the Deanville Sons of Hermann Life July 4th Drive Thru Bar-B-Que. Even though it was not the traditional 4th of July celebration and Bar-b-que, the lodge is grateful for the support that they received. Thanks to those who donated their time to make it possible as well as those who purchased plates, bought raffle tickets and made monetary donations. Approximately 400 plates were sold. The Lodge members/officers are hopeful that the annual celebration will be able to be held next year. We hope that you and your family stay safe and healthy during this challenging time.



Sympathy Is Extended To The
Kubiak / Lammergard Family
On The Loss Of Their Loved One
Maxine Haney Lammergard
July 3, 1932—July 15, 2020



Maxine Haney Lammergard of Bryan, Texas (formerly from Austin, Texas) passed away peacefully on Wednesday July 15, 2020 under the loving and compassionate care of Hudson Creek Alzheimers Special Care Center and Encompass Health Hospice Care.

Maxine was born on July 3rd, 1932 in Waco, Texas. On March 2nd, 1966 (Texas Independence Day) she married Peter Lammergard. He raised Maxine's four sons as his very own. Maxine was a homemaker for most of her married life. After the boys were grown she went to work as a secretary at the Texas State Real Estate Commission in Austin and retired after 10 years of dedicated service. Maxine's family meant the world to her, often putting their needs above her own. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and they all loved her very much. Maxine was a wonderful cook and she loved cooking and baking for her family. Most Friday or Saturday evenings were spent at their favorite Mexican restaurant Tres Amigos in Austin.

Maxine is survived by her husband Peter Lammergard, sister Anita Pick and husband Holly, sons Kevin Kubiak and wife Pam, Timothy Kubiak and wife Barbara, Brian Kubiak and wife Becky. She had five grandchildren Brandee, Meghan, Jennifer, Lance and Cody. She had numerous great grandchildren and great great grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews.

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Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Communion Jolee Telschow Macey Zboril	3	4	5 Johnnie Love	6	7	8
9 Mary Bess Gerdes	10 Jamie Balcar	11 Beverly Blinka M/M Blake Kocurek	12	13	14 Casey Jones Chris Smith Vinelda Schwartz	15
16 Communion	17 M/M Dwayne Beran	18 Council Meeting 6:30 PM	19	20	21	22 Tommy Kindt M/M Thomas Krenek
23 Newsletter items due	24	25	26 Ava Drew	27	28 M/M Brad Balcar Jake Cedidla	29
30 M/M Dennis Hejtmancik	31 M/M Donnie Blinka					