



# Weekly News

Sept 14th

**Being Disciples of Jesus Christ**  
Growing in Faith, Love, Service, and Numbers

## MINISTRY Dates -

### **Buildings and Grounds: 2 Saturdays**

**“Fall Work Parties on Sept 20 and Oct 04 from 9 am to 1 pm. “**

We will complete the take apart and put away from Mega Sports Camp and work on early fall cleanup items. Many hands will complete the work items quickly. A sign up sheet will be available on the kiosk in the narthex. *Steve King*

### **ShoeBox Ministry: 2 dates**

**(1) Is having a Saturday Workshop Sept 27th 10-12 and...**

**(2) a Packing Party after the Reformation Service Oct 26th**

*More info to come*

### **Sunday Sept 28th**

- *A Baptism for baby James Miller at the 10:30 worship*

- *a Pumpkin Decorating Event after the 10:30 worship. Pumpkins will be displayed at the Topsfield Fair. Plan on kids staying for the adventure.*

### **Scheduling and coordinating through Sara**

Do you want to have a meeting at church? want to have an announcement made about your ministry? Want to have a table in the lobby after worship for a ministry? *Please communicate and coordinate all church activities through Sara Hester in the office. Sara has created a master schedule for use of space and any calendar conflicts. The staff meet monthly for a calendar meeting to coordinate the ministry efforts. The next meeting is Sept 18th*

Sara is in the office Wednesday and Fridays 9:00am to 1pm . Please cc Kerry or Pastor Joe on notes sent on other days if you have timely needs for a communication.

**Kids Connection Worship** as we go into the school season, we have a desire to keep up Kid's Connection—Worship but it involves a lot of volunteers. An attainable goal for now is to have this program for the Unity Services throughout the school year and the summer  
There will still be Kids Sermons and Kids Connection-Grow each week

## A Hello to new Praise Band Director—Kevin Lackie

Have you taken a moment to say hi to Kevin our new Praise Band Director? This is Kevin's 3rd Sunday with us.

We are thankful that God has guided our search for a director of the Praise Band. Kevin is from this area, but is moving back now from years in DC to do a doctoral program at BU in conducting. He is thoroughly qualified and we are thrilled to have his leadership for our pool of musicians. Please keep Kevin in prayer as he starts new schooling, new job, and new living situation.

## How can YOU explore Scripture and a Lutheran walk

On our web site ([www.oslcma.com](http://www.oslcma.com)) go to....  
"Learning Hub" then... "Resources to Explore"

You'll find videos, articles, and podcasts that are helpful for your Bible reading. Also, on our website go to, "

**About Lutheran**" you'll find a link to the Lutheran Confessions online and Luther's Small Catechism.... *(you can pull it up and talk through it on a car ride!)*



## Sermon Series... on 1st Timothy and 2nd Timothy

for the next 4 weeks we'll explore many key teachings in these letters. There is far more than can be shared in sermons, Pastor Joe will be teaching on these 2 letters at adult Ad at 9:30 for the next weeks.

Bring your Bible... or we have some in the Loft for you to use! God's Word... for YOU



## Ministry Tid-Bits

**CCB:** Thanks for the feedback on some of the recent scheduling issues. Yes.... We are working on the scheduling and with updating the membership lists.

(1) After the Ministry Fair, new pools of volunteers were created for the various ministries. Sara is now creating schedules for the next months. Please go in and block off dates that won't work for you.

(2) We are also going through all the Membership—Attending lists to make sure those are up to date and accurate. There were some communications to the whole church recently that didn't get out to everyone.

**The Ministry Leaders Photos board** has been getting updated with old photos removed and now new ones put in place.

**Gordon College and Rides2Worship** Thanks to Brian and Richie who have been offering rides to others students on Sunday. Both Brian and Richie serve during education hour so students they drive come for an extended time. If you might be available to offer a ride to someone that just wants to come for worship, please speak to Brian, Richie, or Lynne Quinlan... as we try to give opportunities for Rides2Worship for all

**Phone Issues:** You might have noticed it's hard to leave messages and contact through the church phone. Shepherd Leaders have asked Sara is research the current phone plan and coordinate a new plan.

**The Madagascar Medical Mission Team** is on the way to Africa today. Please keep them in prayer.

**Preseason Ministry Training-** Thanks for the teamwork on Wed night. Dian and Ann set up and coordinated our Supper, after eating and conversations all transitioned to training for Media, Ushers, Coffee, and Altar Care. Thanks for those who teamed up together in positive ways and had positive, healthy conversations about trying to be church together and looking for ways to support each other as we try our best to share the Good News to the world around. Teamwork is such a crucial part of God's Church.

**Thanks to Confirmation Sponsors** for this upcoming years commitment to keep confirmands in prayer and seek ways to encourage and support them!

Micah Shaffer— Tucker VanBrundt      Svea Howe— Ann Nollet  
David Howe—Sean and Katie Lovett

	<b>Sept 14 8:15</b>	<b>Sept 14 10:30</b>
Announcements	Pastor Joe	Pastor Joe
Coffee Ministry	Barbara Machain	Ann Nollet
Altar Care: Set Up Clean Up	N/A	- Dian Kingston
Communion Assistance	N/A	N/A
Audio	N/A	Joel Trunfio/ Bob Mogavero
PowerPoint	Sam Gustafson	Svea Howe
Reader	Audie Souza	Peggy Hothem
Ushers	Glenn Miller Gary Terhune Adam Bonette	Ed Melin John Herth Diane Herth

## **MUSIC NOTES from Wendy**

1). **Choir rehearsals have resumed. Thursdays 5:30-7pm.** We welcome all singers in each voice part and sing in the 8:15 worship service. Warmups are 7:45 am!

2) **Call out for our bell/chime player kiddoes:** next Sunday, September 21, there is room for 8 children/youth at the chime table in the choir room, **10:10-10:25** to rehearse for a full piece in October in BOTH services (play late in 8:15, early in 10:30). Please let Kerry or me know asap if you are willing to put in the practice time and get ready for **October 19** sharing in worship services! Thank you!