

# The Parishioner

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**June 2022** 

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As many of you know, on Sunday, 15 May, our Dean, the Rev. Nila Cogan, along with former Interim Pastor, Rev. James Neal, were here for my installation. Usually this happens within a few weeks of the beginning of a Pastor's new call, but for several reasons, we were not able to schedule this. In any event, it was a wonderful day of worship and celebration. But as many of you were not here and might not have viewed the service online, I am including below the full service of installation, so that you may know the promises I made as your Pastor, and that the congregation made on behalf of all the members of St. Mark's:

#### **Service of Installation** (LBW Occasional Service Book)

\*P: Having been authorized by the Church to install *Rev. David Phillips*, our co-worker in the Gospel, as *Senior Pastor*, I now ask for certification of this *call*.

**Council President:** We, of *St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church,* after prayerful deliberation, have called *Pastor David Phillips* to be *Senior Pastor*. I present him for installation.

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)

And again: "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; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

Hear the words addressed to Timothy: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given to you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Take heed to yourself and to your teaching; hold to that, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:12-16)

P: Pastor *David Phillips*, in the presence of this congregation will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, and promise to discharge your duties in harmony with the constitutions of the church?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

**P:** Will you preach and teach in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church? **Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.** 

P: Will you love, serve, and pray for God's people? Will you nourish them with the Word and Holy Sacraments, leading them by your own example in the use of the means of grace, in faithful service and holy living? Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

**P:** Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do? **Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.** 

**P:** Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

C: Amen.

\*P: And you, people of God, will you receive this messenger of Jesus Christ, sent by God to serve God's people with the Gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard *him* as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

C: We will.

**P:** Will you pray for *him*, help and honor *him* for *his* work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

C: We will.

**P:** The office of *Senior Pastor* is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**P:** The God of peace who brought again form the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever.

C: Amen

Although this service took place on Sunday, I hope you realize that this was a formal statement of the covenant I made with St. Mark's and St. Mark's with me when I accepted your call in August 2020 to be your Senior Pastor.

I hope that as you read the words of this installation service, you are renewed in your own commitment to your Church, for worship, ministry, service, fellowship, study, and outreach. I hope you are renewed in your commitment to the love, forgiveness, and support that are absolutely necessary for the daily life of a strong, healthy, faithful and serving congregation.

In Christ,
Pastor Phillips

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### June dates to remember

6/1 - Wednesday, 3T, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm in Fellowship Hall

6/14 - Tuesday, Council Meeting, 6:00 pm in the Conference Room

6/19 - Father's Day Weekend, a gift from the Christian Education Department will be given to all Dads in attendance.

6/20 - Monday, Sharing Your Faith Workshop, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, in the Sanctuary

**6/28 - Tuesday, Eve Bible Study**, 3:00 pm, in the Good News Classroom, The study that day is "Maturity of Christ" from the study book, "Rejoice in the Lord, Always!"

\*Every Monday, Learn Hebrew class, 6:30 pm

\*Every Thursday, Katie's Kitchen, 5:00 pm, Romans Bible Study @ 6:30 pm

# **3T-** Wednesday, June 1 @ 9:00 am

Join the busy hands at work.

A job for everyone!

Time of talk, task & tea (lite lunch @ 11:30am)

# Meals On Wheels BAKER'S NEEDED!



June is the month for St. Mark's to provide desserts for *Meals on Wheels*. Over 100 clients are served daily, so your desserts are greatly needed and appreciated! Donations of angel food cakes, cookies, brownies, quick breads – all with no nuts or icing, as well as pies, no cream or nuts. Donations of cake mixes, brownie mixes, eggs, and vegetable oil will be accepted to be baked by the Meals on Wheels volunteers. All items should be packaged for freezing and placed in Fellowship Hall kitchen before Sunday, June 12. George Bonnett will pick up all items on Monday, June 13

Father's Day Weekend, **June 18 & 19** Gather with your Dad in worship with us.



All "Dads" in attendance will receive a gift from the Christian Education Department

"Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court."

-Psalm 127:3-5

# Sharing your Faith Workshop - Monday, June 20 7:00 – 8:30 pm

The Evangelism Committee is excited to host this event that will be led by
Bill Oehlschlager. The workshop is open to the community and we encourage you to invite your friends and join us in the St. Mark's sanctuary.

Light refreshments will be included.

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. - 1 Peter 3:15

### **Congregational Council**

Next meeting, Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

Please have your reports into the office by Thursday, June 9, 2022

Envelopes will be available for pick-up in your mailboxes, Sunday, June 12.

2022 Council Officers

President, Richard Beamer,

Vice-President, Michael Montag,

Secretary, Sherry Atkison,

Treasurer, Sherry Young

Please keep our Church Council in your prayers as they make decisions

St. Mark's Financial Overview 2022

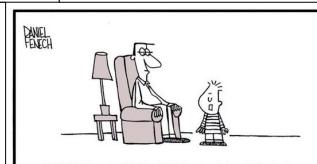
for our church family.

Receipts \$35,603.46

Expenses \$32,481.13

Excess \$3,122.33

"Far up in the deep blue sky,
Great white clouds are floating by;
All the world is dressed in green;
Many happy birds are seen,
Roses bright and sunshine clear
Show that lovely June is here."
— F. G. Sanders



"I'M NOT TATTLING ON MY SISTER...I'M JUST LEAKING INFORMATION."

# Notes from Katie's Kitchen for June 2022.....

Well, June is here! The warm weather & sunshine that we have waited for has finally arrived! As I sit on my back porch enjoying the sun & comfortable temperatures, I am reminded of the first days of summer vacation from school! There is nothing like the freedom of those first days- no homework, no lesson plans, no getting to bed early or getting up at the crack of dawn, no routine!!! It was always a glorious time.....just the freedom to enjoy the beginning of summer in all of its glory- kids playing, dogs barking, the birds singing, the sweet smell of flowers in bloom, & the gardens beginning to produce fruits & vegetables!! Ahhhhh, .... the fragrance of a pink rose, or the wonderful smell of basil— there is nothing like it!! It's time to sit back, relax & enjoy!

June is also the month to celebrate lots of graduations, wedding anniversaries, Flag Day, & Father's Day and just the JOY of living everyday with family & friends! If the past 2 years has taught us anything, it has taught us to embrace the life that God has given us! It may be hard sometimes to actually find the Joy in our daily lives but if we look hard enough there is so much for us to be thankful for in each day!!

#### Notes from the Kitchen.....

- ❖ Things are going well in the kitchen! We are still doing "grab n go", "take out" or "take away" as the European's say (such a cute expression!). With Covid coming & going, we will probably be serving this way for the foreseeable future.
- ❖ Speaking of "serving" ...... this is one area that we could use a few more volunteers during the first part of the month. We have lost several of our Servers due to health issues & a relocation. If you are interested in volunteering to help from 4:30-6pm & have your Act 33/34 clearances, please contact me. The Lions have been huge help for Weeks 2 & 3! It's great to have them as part of our Katie's Kitchen family! ♥
- ❖ It's the growing season! If you find you have an abundance of vegetables, Katie's Kitchen can always use them! Often we package extra fresh produce for our folks to take home. Fresh fruits & vegetables are hard to come by in the city of Butler...... it is considered a food desert. So anytime I can share fresh food it is a WIN!

Take time this month to thank all of those Dads out there! It's not only Mothers who are needed in the family, but Dads, too. They are an incredibly important part of our families & often don't get the credit that they deserve. They provide a balance that we all need in our lives. So a Big SHOUT OUT to all of those men who are doing their best to nurture & support their families!!!

Take time this month to relax & find Joy!



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"NO ONE IS USELESS IN THIS WORLD WHO LIGHTENS THE BURDENS OF ANOTHER."
-CHARLES DICKENS



## News ∼ from the NALC



Read the entire article @ https://thenalc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/NALC-May-2022-Print.pdf

"Dear brothers and sisters, greetings in the name of Christ! Here is an update on the ministry of Belarus Lutheran Missionary Fellowship (BLMF).

We live in a very difficult time — the COVID-19 pandemic and war in Ukraine. It is obvious that we live in a time of global changes and the world shall never be the same again....

Political situation in Belarus: The people of Belarus find themselves hostages in their own country. After the bloody events in the year 2020, where thousands of people were jailed, suffered mockery, beatings and murder because they wanted fair and democratic elections, repression started immediately. Four hundred civil and charity organizations were closed. Our congregation in Mazolovo village was asked to re-register, which means that we will probably have great difficulties with the reregistration. Thousands of people from Belarus had to flee to Poland, Ukraine and the Baltic countries because of the political persecution....

Literature ministry: Just before the war in Ukraine, we managed to complete our book project with our partners in Odessa, Ukraine. A big load of books was sent there. We hope and pray that the sent material shall be further used for the spiritual uplifting of Christians in Ukraine at this time of trial and also after the war is over. Please pray for that.

Showing the love of Jesus to the neighborhood: Ministry of love in action continues through BLMF's movement, "On duty for good." Food packages were distributed among the needy and the most socially vulnerable people in Vitebsk. The recipients were homeless people, people with low incomes and invalids. To God be the glory! Please pray for this important ministry to continue as it gives us opportunities to speak about Jesus and to display His love. Many of such people have only God to rely on as the local authorities do not pay attention to these socially vulnerable people. One of the men who received aid was a homeless man named Ivan. He lost his job and his home was taken for debts — no documents, no job, no home.

Dear brothers and sisters! We here at BLMF thank God for you, for our faithful friends and supporters. Without you, the Lord's people, BLMF's ministry would not be possible. The Lord is acting in this world through His people. Thank you again and be blessed! Our prayer is that we all could see Jesus amidst all the turmoil and distress that is happening in the world today"





Congratulations! To Janis Benson celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday in April. Your St. Mark's Church Family loves you!

Dear St. Mark's Lutheran Church Women:

Thank you for your generous donation of \$100.00 for the Kids' Weekend Backpack Program. We appreciate your support.

The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, Inc. has joined partners with the community, parents, and staff of McQuistion, Emily Brittain, Northwest, Center Township, Summit, Connoquenessing, Center Ave., and Broad Street Schools to implement the program referred to as the Kids' Weekend Backpack Program to fight hunger.

Many students go home to a house with little or no food supplies They may receive breakfast and lunch at school during the week, but when the weekends come they may be litted as to how much they have to eat. The program has been designed to assist students in all K-4 elementary schools who may be in need of weekend food supplies

The program is funded by donations Its volunteers include current and retired teachers, parents, and community members. Our program is supported by the Butler AM Rotary Club, St. Vincent DePaul, Sam's Club, and various community groups and churches.

Please be assured that all of the contributions received are 501©3 eligible and are realty appreciated by the student participants in the Kids' Weekend Backpack Program.

Sincerely,

The Kids' Weekend Backpack Program Committee and The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, Inc.



WELCOME! to new member Jim Bahorich

"Dear Pastor Phillips, members and friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers concerns, well wishes, cards and help offers since my recent blood cancer diagnosis. Please continue to pray for my friends, family and medical staff who are helping Peggy and me through this new challenge in life. ~ Yours in Christ, Ron Morrison

To our St. Mark's Family,
We are sincerely thankful for all the prayers
And concern for Mom during her hospital stay and
then her passing Thank-you for the lovely memorial
rose. Thank you for all who helped in any way
preparing for the funeral service and meal. A very
special thank-you to Pastor Phillips for his visits with
Mom at the hospital and then his love and support to
all of us

We are truly blessed. Ginny Rettig's Family

# "In moments of Sorrow, it's Family & Friends who bring Love & Peace. Thank You Sincerely"

Pastor Phillips and our church family, My family and I want to thank everyone for their prayers and heartfelt condolences. With Don's passing, it has left an indescribable empty mess in our lives. With God's help and your support, it has kept us strong. It was a blessing when Pastor Phillips came into Don's hospital room at just the right moment. God's timing is always perfect. We are thankful to the women for the delicious dinner after the funeral. They always do a good job. Don loved God and St. Mark's and in his memory we want to thank you.

In Christian love, Flo Domhoff & Family

Dear St Mark's Lutheran Church and Church Women, On behalf of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC), thank you for your partnership in the Gospel, for your continuing prayers, and for your financial support in the work we share in the name of our Lord Jesus. It is a joy for us to share with you in a work that carries far beyond the years we have in this life.

In Christ Jesus, Bishop Dan Selbo

YTD General/Disaster = \$4,500.00 / WNALC Missions \$297.25

#### JOKE OF THE MONTH

Q: What did May tell June when they were fighting?

A: "Don't July to me!"

June gardening tips for zone 6 (Butler, PA area) Zone 6 - Monthly Garden Calendar: Chores and Planting Guide | Sow True Seed

- Direct sow sunflowers, nasturtiums, marigolds, borage, basil, and other warm season flowers and herbs.
- Continue monitoring for pest insects talked about in the May task list.
- The beginning of June is an excellent time to take softwood cuttings of shrubs to start new plants. Some shrubs which can be propagated in this way are spirea, lilac and viburnum.
- Stay out of the garden when the vegetable plant leaves are wet. Walking through a wet garden spreads disease from one plant to another.
- After your vegetable garden is well established, it is best to water it thoroughly once a week rather than giving it a light watering every day. That way, a deeper root system is encouraged to develop, which will later help the plants tolerate dry weather.
- Keep a close eye on the quality of your spring crops. Hot weather causes lettuce to bolt and become bitter. Plant a warm season crop as soon as the spring vegetables are harvested.
- In most cases, blossom-end rot on tomatoes, peppers, squash, and watermelons can be prevented. Do this by maintaining uniform soil moisture by mulching and watering correctly, planting in well-drained soil and not cultivating deeper than one inch within one foot of the plant. Also avoid the use of high nitrogen fertilizers.
- Have a trellis system in place for your tomato patch before the plants begin to sprawl.
- Continue planting direct-seeded, warm season vegetable crops such as beans, summer squash and cucumbers.
- Freshen up mulch around woody plants, perennials, and veggies if needed.
- Garden flowers, whether annuals or perennials, benefit from "deadheading" after flowering. By removing the spent flower heads, energy is used to produce more flowers or foliage and roots. Many will produce another flush of blooms.
- Weed the garden regularly to keep the task easy and manageable.
- When asparagus and <u>rhubarb</u> reach the end of the harvest window, prepare to side-dress with a balanced fertilizer.
- Plant buckwheat in vacant areas of the garden to prevent weeds.
- Fertilize roses after their initial flush of flowers fade.

#### Strawberry Crisp Recipe

Source -https://belleofthekitchen.com/fresh-strawberry-crisp-recipe/

#### Filling:

5 heaping cups fresh strawberries, hulled and quartered

1/4 cup granulated white sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

3 Tablespoons cornstarch

# Topping:

1 cup all-purpose flour

3/4 cup old fashioned oats

2/3 cup granulated white sugar

2/3 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

3/4 teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a deep dish pie plate or large baking dish with butter or cooking spray and set aside.
- 2. Combine the chopped strawberries and sugar in a large bowl and mix until the strawberries fully absorb the sugar. Add in the cornstarch and vanilla extract and stir until all of the strawberries are evenly coated. Pour into the prepared baking dish.
- 3. In a separate medium size bowl, combine the flour, oats, brown sugar, granulated sugar, salt, and cinnamon. Pour in the melted butter and stir well until well coated and crumbly. Sprinkle the crumb mixture evenly over the top of the strawberries.
- 4. Bake in the preheated oven for 35-40 minutes until fruit is bubbly and topping is golden brown. Allow to cool slightly before serving. Serve warm with vanilla ice cream on top. Enjoy!

St. Mark's Kids stuff



Congratulations to St. Mark's 2022 High school and College Grads Youth Page June 2022



Games! Lessons!

Studies!

Puppet Skits! Crafts!

Takes place at the 9AM Sunday Service during the Sermon. The kids start in the Sanctuary, before the Sermon they head downstairs to the room by the elevator with the leader. They will come back up for Communion.

Parent pick up is downstairs

kids ages 2 to Confirmation age are welcomed to learn in a kid friendly way at Children's Church.—takes place every Sunday in June.



Stay

Check out the Sermons on youtube at St. Marks Butler PA

Call the Office and get on the prayer chain. You receive prayer requests through email.

Like the facebook page St.Marks Evangelical Lutheran Church (Butler, PA)

Check out St. Mark's website www.stmarksbutler.org

Come Worship at 9AM every
Sunday in the Sanctuary!

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Darcie Pomykata, Youth Leader (724) 996-9245 cell/text Darcie.Pomykata@stmarksbutler.org



#### CHILDREN'S HOUR END OF YEAR FUN!



Great work, Bible Bowl Team 2022! We are so glad it's "in your DNA"





SURPRISE! Pastor Appreciation Sunday School Fun!





We made it to the letter Z!!
So we talked about how Noah's ark was a Zoo!!
And how Zacchaeus was a wee little man!!



Oodles of joy filled the air at the Children's Hour End of Year Program! Can't wait to see you again in the next education season



#### Learn the History of Flag Day and the Stars and Stripes!

Source, read more @ https://www.almanac.com/content/flag-day-celebration-american-flag

Flag Day is Tuesday, June 14! This annual holiday celebrates the history and symbolism of the American flag. Learn about the history of this holiday and the beloved Stars and Stripes!

#### What Is Flag Day?

Flag Day is a celebration of the American flag that occurs each year on the anniversary of the flag's official adoption, June 14.

What we know fondly as the "Stars and Stripes" was adopted by the Continental Congress as the official American flag on June 14, 1777, in the midst of the Revolutionary War. Colonial troops fought under many different flags with various symbols—rattlesnakes, pine trees, and eagles—and slogans—"Don't Tread on Me," "Liberty or Death," and "Conquer or Die," to name a few.

The Declaration of Independence made the adoption of an American flag necessary. Previously, each colony or special interest had its own flag.

On the 14th of June, Congress made the following resolution: "The flag of the United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white, with a union of thirteen stars of white on a blue field ..." Official announcement of the new flag was not made until Sept. 3, 1777.

#### Who Made the First American Flag?

The origins of the Stars and Stripes have become part of American folklore. Although many people believe that Betsy Ross designed and sewed the first flag, there is no true proof of this. However, records do indicate that she made ensigns and pennants for the Philadelphia navy during the war. Various towns in colonial America have claimed to be the birthplace of the Stars and Stripes.

Based on colonial folklore, it has also been stated that the American flag was first flown in battle during the Revolutionary War at the Battle of Cooch's Bridge in 1777. This may also be the stuff of legend.

However, what we do know is this:

The first American flag was designed to represent the 13 original colonies with 13 white stars on a blue field and 13 alternating red and white stripes.

One of the first flag designs had the stars arranged in a circle, based on the idea that all colonies were equal.

In 1818, after a few design changes, the United States Congress decided to retain the flag's original 13 stripes and add new stars to reflect each new state that entered the union.

Today, there are 50 stars, one for each state in the union, but the 13 stripes remain.

#### When Is Flag Day?

Flag Day, celebrated annually on June 14, is not an official federal holiday, but its observance is traditionally proclaimed each year by the president of the United States. On Flag Day, many towns and cities hold parades and events to celebrate the flag, and the colors are to be flown at all government buildings.

#### History of the American Flag

- January 1, 1776: The first United States flag, the "Grand Union," was displayed by George Washington. It became the unofficial national flag, preceding the 13-star, 13-stripe version.
- June 14, 1777: The Stars and Stripes were adopted by the Continental Congress as the Flag of the United States.
- June 14, 1877: Flag Day was observed nationally for the first time on the 100th anniversary of the Stars and Stripes—and continues today.
- June 14, 1937: Pennsylvania became the first state in the United States to celebrate Flag Day officially as a state holiday.
- July 4, 1960: The new 50-star flag was flown for the first time—the flag that still flies today.

#### Why Is the American Flag Red, White, and Blue?

The Continental Congress left no record as to why it chose these colors. However, in 1782, the Congress of the Articles of Confederation chose the colors for the Great Seal of the United States with these meanings: white for purity and innocence, red for valor and hardiness, blue for vigilance, perseverance, and justice

According to the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, the colors originated with the British flag, which is called the Union Jack and was a combination of the Scottish cross of St. Andrew (white on blue) and the English cross of St. George (red on white) at the time. (The modern British flag also incorporates the Irish cross of St. Patrick into its design.)



# June 2022

| Sun.                                 | Mon.                                                         | Tue.        | Wed.           | Thu.                                             | Fri. | Sat.                 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------------|------|----------------------|
| OS.                                  |                                                              |             | 1<br>9:00am 3T | 2<br>5:00pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:30pm Romans  | 3    | 4<br>5:00pm Worship  |
| 9:00am Worship<br>10:15pm S.S.       | 6 6:30pm Hebrew Class                                        | 7           | 8              | 9<br>5:00pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:30pm Romans  | 10   | 11<br>5:00pm Worship |
| 12<br>9:00am Worship<br>10:15pm S.S. | 13 6:30pm Hebrew Class                                       | 14 Flag Day | 15             | 16<br>5:00pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:30pm Romans | 17   | 18<br>5:00pm Worship |
| 9:00am Worship<br>10:15pm S.S.       | 20<br>6:30pm Hebrew<br>Class<br>7:00pm Sharing<br>your Faith | 21          | 22             | 23<br>5:00pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:30pm Romans | 24   | 25<br>5:00pm Worship |
| 26<br>9:00am Worship<br>10:15pm S.S. | 27 6:30pm Hebrew Class                                       | 28          | 29             | 5:00pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:30pm Romans       |      |                      |

<u>Fun Dates to Celebrate in June:</u> June 3 – Repeat Day (I say, "Repeat Day"), June 7 – National Chocolate Ice Cream Day, June 13 – National Weed Your Garden Day, June 17 – Take a Road Trip Day, June 24 – Take Your Dog to Work Day

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"The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him."
--Proverbs 20:7

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#### June Scriptures and Prayers

#### June 5, 2022, - Genesis 11:1-9, Psalm 143, Acts 2:1-21, John 14:23-31

\* God our creator, the resurrection of Your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By Your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of Your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

## June 12, 2022 - Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31, Psalm 8, Acts 2:14a, 22-36, John 8:48-59

\* God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time You are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by Your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory He shares with us. Glory and praise to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

### June 19, 2022 - Isaiah 65:1-9, Psalm 3, Galatians 3:23-4:7, Luke 8:26-39

\* O Lord God, we bring before You the cries of a sorrowing world. In Your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## <u>June 26, 2022</u> – 1 Kings 19:9b-21, Psalm 16, Galatians 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62

\* Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, You call us to obey You, and You favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of Your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow Your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

