# **From the lake**

### The newsletter of ABIDING PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH - Budd Lake, N.J.



### Let's Save Some Lives September 15<sup>th</sup>!

On **September 15<sup>th</sup> between 1-6pm** we'll roll up our sleeves and save lives! We will proudly partner with the American Red Cross to hold what we expect to be the first of many blood drives. The Red Cross has over 135 years of experience providing humanitarian aid including more than 75 years of supplying blood to those in need.

Every unit we donate at our blood drive can help save up to three lives. Each recipient of that blood donation has his or her own story. He or she could be an accident or trauma victim, cancer patient, a mother giving birth, a premature baby, a transplant recipient or surgical candidate. Our impact goes beyond that patient – it is multiplied by the impact it has on that person's loved ones who are thankful for the unit we donated.

Jackie King is leading this initiative. The theme for September 15th will be announced shortly. Let's show our community and the patients in need of blood just how much we can do. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jackie about joining the team. Cell 732-877-9752 or via email jackiweso@gmail.com

There are many ways you can help, but most importantly we hope you come out to donate. Several people **from APLC and the Budd Lake community** have already signed up, and we are looking forward to seeing many more of you on **September 15<sup>th</sup> between 1-6 PM**.

Our upcoming blood drive collection goal on **September 15th** is **32 donors.** Think about all the lives we can touch by signing up to donate. A typical donation takes less than one hour, and we are proud to make that available. If you can't give, you can still make an impact by volunteering to support the drive and encouraging others to give using your social media channels and network.

# August, 2022

September Newsletter Deadline August 22, 2022

> Worship: 10:00 am Online/In-Person

For hospitalization or other pastoral care needs, please call Pastor Serena at 908-458-3940

### **OUR MISSION & PURPOSE**

Abiding Peace Lutheran Church makes Christ known by welcoming all people to a supporting and accepting place to grow in faith and community and to serve the Lord as people created by God, saved by Christ and nurtured by the Holy Spirit.

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### COUNCIL & MINISTRY LEADERS

### **Officers**

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- Jackie King Shelli Skeels Sheeba David Nick Senior

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Evangelism	Vacant
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### OUR STAFF

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### Administrative Assistant: Christine Strobel office@abidingpeacechurch.org

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<u>Click here</u> for our blood drive link and please share this with your friends and family.

Remember that every blood donation has a story attached to it. The story of why we donated; each volunteer's story of why they helped; the story of why we hosted the blood drives and the recipient's story when they receive a generous donation. Consider making your personal story part of the collective stories.

Blessings to you and thank you for making **Abiding Peace Lutheran Church** what it is. Let's make an impact in our community on **September 15<sup>th</sup>** and add that to our list of great accomplishments. It's not every day we do something that has such a great lifesaving impact. Let's blow this out of the water!

~ Jackie King



### Pastor Serena August Schedule

In addition to posted hours in the office, Pastor Serena is also available to the congregation by cell phone or e-mail during the week: (908) 458-3940; pastorserena@optimum.net. Her day off is Saturday, so please refrain from sending non-emergency messages or calls on Saturday.

### August 1 – August 7

- Wednesday, Aug 3: 10:30am-8:30pm
- Sunday, Aug 7: 9:00am-2:00pm

### August 8 – August 14

- Wednesday, Aug 10: 10:30am-8:30pm
- Sunday, Aug 14: 9:00am-1:00pm

### August 15 – August 21

 Monday, Aug 14 – Sunday, Aug 21: Chaplain at Crossroads Camp

### August 22 – August 28

- Wednesday, Aug 24: 10:30am-8:30pm
- Sunday, Aug 28: 9:00am-12:00pm

August 29 - Sept 4: Vacation

# Sunday Scripture

### August 7

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40

### August 14

Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 Hebrews 11:29—12:2 Luke 12:49-56

### August 21

Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17

### August 28

Jeremiah 2:4-13 Psalm 81:1, 10-16 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14

# Senior Meeting Schedule 2022

8/17	Games
9/21	Book Review: The House in the Cerulean Sea b y T.J. Klune
10/19	Halloween Party
11/16	Party with music by Lynn Peterson



# CROSS A ROADS CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

### **Come to Family Camp!**

In the middle of August, Pastor Serena will be serving as the Chaplain at nearby Crossroads Camp (the Outdoor Ministry program of the Lutheran Synod, and Episcopal Diocese). Unlike the kids camps of earlier in the Summer, August 14-21 is "family camp," a chance for households of all ages and types (no kids required) to gather together at camp for learning, fellowship, worship, and time in nature. The Rice family has been going every year that it has been offered since 2017 because it is such wonderful time together, and they would love to see some of their Abiding Peace family there this year. Family Camp has two sessions: Sunday - Friday (August 14-19), and Friday – Sunday (August 19-21). You can sign-up for one or both. Price is very reasonable and varies depending on the accommodations you choose (The Christ Center is like hotel living – private bedrooms and baths; or you can choose cabin camping, with a shared bath house). Plus, the food is excellent! If you are interested, talk to Pastor Serena for more information, or register at https:// www.crossroadsretreat.com/family-camp/



# Thank You Corner

Thank you to Cindy Pawlo, Pastor Karol Van Wulfen, and all the members of Abiding Peace for your prayers, care and support after the loss of our beloved son Luke. A memorial website is at <u>https://</u> <u>everloved.com/life-of/luke-mueller/</u> and a memorial service will be held at Abiding Peace Saturday, Sept. 17 at 11 am.

If you would like to express a "Thank you" in next month's newsletter, please send a brief paragraph to Christine (chstrobel@optonline.net) by August 22.

August Birthdays

14 Billy Clark 28 Kevin Tangen 30 Laurel Kamin

August Anniversaries

10 Don & Celia Bowe 20 Serena & Tyler Rice



### Faith Kitchen Shopping List for August 2

### Kielbasa/Sauerkraut

- $\sim$  4 large cans or 8 small cans whole potatoes (preferably with a pull tab)
- $\sim 2$  large bags of sauerkraut
- ~ 1 large or 3 small packages of Kielbasa

Please bring these items to church on Sunday, July 31.

If you have any questions, please call me and let me know, 973-459-0908.

With gratitude,

Sibylle Schroeder, Social Ministry

### Our Story of Abiding Peace

My story of Abiding Peace begins Thanksgiving Eve 1980. Doug and I were engaged and I had come up to celebrate Thanksgiving with him. We decided to go to church for Thanksgiving and attended the Thanksgiving Eve service followed by the Pie and Sanka Social. Everyone there was so friendly and welcoming. Fast forward to May 1981. We were now married and looking for a church. We visited various churches in the area including Abiding Peace. None of them were as friendly or welcoming. In fact, people came up to us and told us they remembered us visiting the church for the Thanksgiving Eve service almost six months prior. I was totally amazed by the fact that someone remembered us from one brief visit six months earlier. That is one of the many reasons why we decided to join Abiding Peace. There's no other church quite like it.

~ Doug and Demetria Laird



### Intergenerational Community Committee Has New Focus



Our team has learned that the number of NJ foster children has been dramatically reduced as a result of positive reforms to keep children with their mothers or with relatives and family friends as much as possible. The number has dropped from 13,000 twenty years ago to 3,000 now. As a result, we have decided that rather than continue to consider an intergenerational housing community for foster children, we would focus on local intergenerational opportunities.

After discussion with Mt. Olive Manor Senior Housing, we heard that they always welcome more activities for the social needs of the residents. Meanwhile, high school students need to do volunteer work to meet graduation requirements. How might these generations assist each other?

After reviewing model intergenerational programs for such groups, the team decided to explore the idea of a program connecting students that would write memoirs with interested seniors. Perhaps students would prepare for this through a journalism or English class. The result would be a record (written, audio, or video) by a student that would be given to a senior to share with their family and grandchildren. The initial response from Mt. Olive Manor has been positive.

Our team includes Sandy Carlson, Sheeba David, Jackie King, Ray Mueller, Pastor Serena Rice, Sibylle Schroeder, and Ken Schwier. Our next meeting is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 7 pm via Zoom, and anyone interested in joining us is welcome.



### **Summer Book Club**

As you might have seen in Pastor's "Weekly Wisdom" reflections the past few weeks, our Summer Book Club read this year will be Atlas of the Heart by

Brené Brown. Because Pastor Serena will be away for July, we will hold two book club session in August, on 8/3 and 8/24 in the evening. If weather is nice, it would be great to hold them in person outside, but we'll play that by ear. If you want to get started on the reading, you can order the book online or pick it up at most bookstores.

### **AUGUST** WORSHIP ASSISTANTS IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND A REPLACEMENT IF YOU CANNOT SERVE.

AUGUST	ASSISTANT MINISTER	USHER/ GREETER/ ACOLYTE	SOLOIST	LIVESTREAM
7	Sibylle Schroeder	Sandy Carlson	TBD	Quinn Rice
14	Mary Kasakove	Howard Corneilson	TBD	Tyler Rice
21	Sue Stirrat	Cindy Pawlo	TBD	Nick Senior
28	Doug Laird	Sibylle Schroeder	TBD	Sheeba David

**COUNTER:** George Pawlo **ALTAR GUILD:** Sandy Carlson **BREAD BAKING:** Sandy Carlson



Keep These Friends in Your Heart & Prayers

*Those who are sick or in need*: Emily Wager, Bill Phinney, Joshua Olsen, Dawn Larsen, Jon, Cheryl Inglin, Judy Consentino, Jon & Maria, Sandy Kahler, Kenneth Johanson, Karen Qualls, Elfriede & Dick Kiesling, Sheeba David, Cora Pawlo, Jim Tangen, Elizabeth & Otto Schroeder, Don Larsen, Joseph Horn, Ryan Manhardt, Dan Scouten, Evelyn Woodruff, Grace Bessasparis, the Appel family, Jackson Cook, Arthur Schenk, Donna Fahy, Joey Scollins, Jeanne Scalora, Valeriy Braginets, Chris Bauer, Brenda Anderson, Linda Kahler, Pat Scalora, Mark Dennis, Mike Urodinski, Barbara Pinekenstein

*Those in mourning*: Friends and family of Walter Pasuco, friends and family of Rudy Oeckinghaus, those mourning David Coyne, the VanHouten family, Millie Miller on the death of her sister, the Scalora and Crescenzo families on the death of Jeanne's cousin Sandy, the Scalora family on the death of Pat's sister Sally, the family of Gary Siess, the family of Jim Cook, the family of Bryce Rosen, the family of Betty Curlander, the family of Jay Mohundro, the family of Carla Schechner, the family of Steve Sammarco, the Laird family, the Gasparine family, the Biunno family, the family and friends of Brian Asong, the Cortese and Tangen families, the Peterson family, the family of Heinz Nothaft on the loss of their grandson, the Price family, the Mueller family

# **AUGUST 2022**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	<b>2</b> 9:00 am Faith Kitchen	<b>3</b> 6:30 pm AA Mtg. 7:30 pm Book Club Meeting	<b>4</b> <i>7:45 pm</i> Choir Rehearsal	5	6
<b>7</b> 9TH SUNDAY/ PENTECOST 10:00 am Webcast Worship/In-Person 11:30 am Confirmation class	<b>8</b> <i>12:30 pm</i> Worship & Music Committee Meeting	9	<b>10</b> 6:30 pm AA Mtg.	<b>11</b> <i>7:45 pm</i> Choir Rehearsal	12	13
<b>14</b> <b>10TH SUNDAT/</b> <b>PENTECOST</b> <i>10:00 am</i> Webcast Worship/In-Person <i>11:30 am</i> Intergenera- tional Art Activity Family Camp at Cross- roads 8/14-8/19	<b>15</b> 7:00 pm UFO Night	16	<b>17</b> 2:00 pm Seniors Meet- ing: Games 6:30 pm AA Mtg.	<b>18</b> 7:45 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>19</b> Family Camp Week- end 8/19-8/21	20
21 11TH SUNDAY/ PENTECOST 10:00 am Webcast Worship/In-Person	<b>22</b> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	23	<b>24</b> <i>6:30 pm</i> AA Mtg. <i>7:30 pm</i> Book Club Meeting	<b>25</b> <i>7:45 pm</i> Choir Rehearsal	26	27
28 12TH SUNDAY/ PENTECOST 10:00 am Webcast Worship/In-Person	29	30	<b>31</b> 6:30 pm AA Mtg.			