

“The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work” 2 Corinthians 9: 6-8

Friends in Christ,

Summer has arrived in full force and, although we would appreciate a little more rain and a little less heat in the forecast, I drive past miles and miles of fields springing forth with crops every day. The harvest is coming and things are blooming and growing all around us. The summer is always filled with such energy.

However, summer time in the church in the state of Minnesota has always been a time of *less* energy. People are enjoying their weekends away and taking advantage of all of the natural beauty that Minnesota has to offer. Sundays tend to be a little more quiet in the summer.

This past year has pushed us to make many adaptive changes to the way we share in worship, the way we communicate, and the way we keep in touch as a community. Luckily, for us, there are more ways than ever for you to stay connected to All Saints.

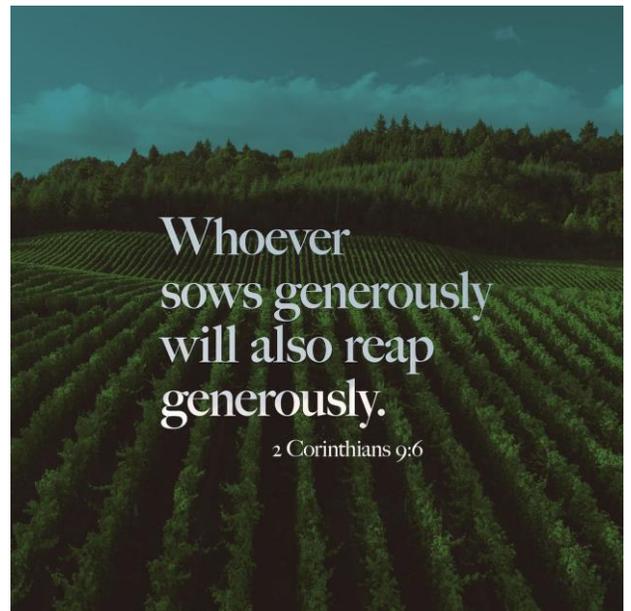
This past Sunday we had our congregational meeting to approve the budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and we are happy to report that it was approved **unanimously**. Thank you to Darcy, Mike McPadden our treasurer, and our church council for all their hard work in making this happen.

This budget helps support ministries like our very successful week of VBS this past week. This budget helps keep our tech room running and provide us with ways to produce worship and distribute it to people far and wide.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to All Saints Lutheran Church. You make this church happen, even when we step away for our summer sabbath time. So I urge you to keep up with your pledges this summer. There are many ways to give electronically if you are away. Feel free to reach out to Darcy Gray (dgray@allsaintsnya.org) in the office if you want to set up automated giving or get more information on other ways to give.

We hope you are having a wonderful summer and look forward to being together soon.

Grace and peace to you,
Pastor Matt Schroeder



VBS

Last week 80 children and over 30 adults and teens had a great time at Vacation Bible School. The energy level in the building was infectious. Thank you to the following people who made everything possible:

Music leaders: Pastor Eric, Pastor Matt, Judy Aune, Avery Lueck

Technology: Jenni Aune, Tobbie Dinning

Crafts: Sarah Hufford, Marlene Essig, Denise Lovelette, Jean Toenges

Games: Lois Panning, Gavin Foster, Payton Schneider

Classroom Teachers and Assistants: Sydni Foster, Paige Kroells, Julie Gamber, Jade Kroells, Eloise Swanson, Jenna Schrupp, Bella Hasse, Kelly street, Ava Koloc, Dennis Harvey, Ava Harvey, Judy Aune

Kitchen/Snacks: Barb Husemoen, Judy Schindlerm Nancy Dammann, Nancy Swiggum, Becca Braun, Julie Grams, Julie Hauser, Sarah Alsleben, Tricia Mackenthun

PrepWork and Decorations: LeeAnn Swanson, Michael Swanson, Sarah Hufford, Kayla Gray, Deb McPadden, Lois Panning, Cathy Bahls, Betty Zenk, Darcy Gray

Decorating: Everyone who stayed after worship to set up and take down.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



National Youth Gathering – Pre Gathering

Youth who are in 8th to 12th grade at the time of registration (Fall 2021) are eligible to join us for our National Youth Gathering July 24-28th of 2022.

Please plan on attending a **pre-gathering gathering on June 15th 9tonight) at 6pm in the sanctuary.** We'll talk about what we do at the youth gathering, what to expect, and how we'll raise funds between now and next July.

Garage Sale Meeting – We will have a brief gathering on Sunday, June 20 at 8:45 am for anyone interested in helping with the upcoming garage sale.



All Saints Annual Garage Sale July 15 ,16 & 17, 2021

It's back! Mark your calendars. Are you spring cleaning? Save your 'treasures' for the garage sale. **If you are interested in helping out with the sale please sign up at the Welcome Center. Copies of the garage sale flyer are available at the Welcome Center.**

Do you enjoy creating handmade gifts? Are you "into" knitting, sewing, scrapbooking, greeting cards, needlework, crocheting, quilting, woodworking, or ANY creative hobby? We would like to include "HANDCRAFTED GIFTS" at the All Saints Garage Sale this summer. There have been a few lovely handmade items donated for sale in the past, so hopefully there are others who are willing to share their talents! *This sale would be near the bake sale in a separate area from the garage sale, and donated items would be priced according to a reasonable gift value, not by typical garage sale pricing.*

If you might be interested in donating any of your creations, please contact Lisa Sauer, just so we can plan for space: 612-719-5169 (call or text)