



Grace Notes

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Sabbath :: A Day of Rest

Sabbath is one of the oldest customs that is shared by multiple religions and cultures throughout the world. It literally means “a day of rest”, but its meaning has shifted over the years. Originally, Sabbath was to show respect for God’s creation, but it has progressed from that to a day of worship, and from that to a day to “sleep in.” No matter the definition, one thing remains the same: the human body needs a day of rest.

Towards the end of this month, I will have the opportunity to once again go to Mundelein, Illinois, for a “week” of Sabbaths. I will be attending the General Retreat for the Society of the Holy Trinity (STS), which is the pan-Lutheran ministerium that I belong to. Each year I look forward to the fellowship that this retreat brings along with the opportunity to learn from some of the brightest theologians of the church. The real part of this retreat though for me is the worship aspect. The participants pray the office (beginning with Matins before breakfast and ending with Compline at nighttime), which is 5 worship services throughout the day. This indeed is Sabbath for me, a day solely devoted to worship, from beginning to end.

This year the retreat will have a special occasion. This is the year that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we once again choose who the Senior of the Society will be. The Senior is tasked with running the assembly along with the executive committee and the conference deans. The election of the Senior is accompanied by a hymn sing (image close to 400 pastors singing accapella, it is beautiful!), which is being led by a classmate of mine from seminary. I plan to bring back all the literature that I can from this retreat, and offer it to any of you that may be interested in looking it over. Perhaps you can add some of it to your own Sabbath.

Pastor Judson

An update on Finances:

July deposits:	\$8187.98	May expenses:	\$11,713.21
Total Assets:	\$80,592.41		

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In our Prayers

- Ann Kelley
- Bobby Torrence
- Mike Culbreth
- Jim Ablett
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- Jerry Varner

September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Office closed for Labor Day	4	5 Bible Study 10:15	6	7	8
9	10	11 Women's Fellowship 7:00	12 Bible Study 10:15	13 Council 7:00pm	14	15 Youth Meeting 5:00 Chili Cookoff 5:30
16	17	18	19 Bible Study 10:15 Lutheran Men 6:30	20	21	22
23	24 Pr. Judson at the STS General Retreat	25	26 No Bible Study	27	28	29
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Those Who Serve

Date	September 9	September 16	September 23	September 30	October 7
Refreshments	Crawley	John and Sandy Fancher	Tony and Tonya Link	Alice Smith Gail Hackett	Karl Jones Betty DeBerry
Ushers	Rich Donaldson John Fancher	Gere Ablett Larry Cantrell	Jim Voris Bob Faulks	Karl Jones John Adderholdt	Ron Crawley Kris Loburk
Greeter	Bob Faulks	Edda Cromer	Tonya Link Breanna Brooks	John Fancher	Kris Loburk
Communion Assistant	Gail Hackett	Melton Roof	Kay Otten	Ron Crawley	Bob Faulks
Counters	Andrea Holtzer Mary Lou Saville	John Fancher Norm Lewis	Betty DeBerry Diane Ablett	Rich Donaldson Jane Lewis	Ron Crawley Mary Lou Saville
Altar Guild	Jane Lewis Nellie Varner	Betty DeBerry Pat Morton	Diane Ablett Mary Lou Saville	Marianne Van Wagoner Bobby Torrence	Nellie Varner Jane Lewis
Lector	Andrea Holtzer	John Fancher	Gail Hackett	Tony Link	Esther Dolder
Nursery	Christine Donaldson	Carrie Merrell	Christine Donaldson	Connie Faulks Patti DeBerry	Carrie Merrell



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Jim Voris, Evangelism Chair

Andrea Holtzer, Education Chair

Norm Lewis, Stewardship Chair

Ron Crawley, Social Ministry Chair

September Birthdays

Hunter Crawley—7

Justus Link—11

Diane Ablett —19

Michelle Faulks and Mary
Lou Saville —21

Rebecca Donaldson—22

Addison Merrell—24

Shawn DeBerry—25

Bob Faulks —27

Liz Crawley—30

September

Anniversaries

Zimmerman—19

Lewis—25

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Flower List for September:

September 2: Lewis

September 9: Ablett

September 16: Roof

September 23: Morton

September 30: Lewis

August Council Meetings Notes

- Our bulletin format will officially change when Advent begins. We may start using the new format earlier if possible.
- The Chili-cookoff is planned for Sept. 15. Ron reported that Oktoberfest is being planned.
- ADT has replaced the motion detector downstairs in order to keep us from triggering false alarms.
- Pastor will attend a Boundaries Worship offered by the synod in October. Pastor also presented a rough draft of our new child protection policy..