



AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday, Friday 8 am – 1 pm

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Christ,
A friend of mine gave me a prayer to share. You may find a petition that sounds familiar. I hope it makes you smile and maybe chuckle a little. The author is unknown.

A Prayer as We Grow Older

O God, you know me better than I know myself and that I am growing older, and will someday be old. Keep me from getting talkative, and particularly from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every occasion.

Release me from craving to try to straighten out everybody's affairs.

I ask for grace enough to listen to the tales of others' pains. Help me to endure them with patience. But seal my lips on my own aches and pains – they are increasing and my love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by.

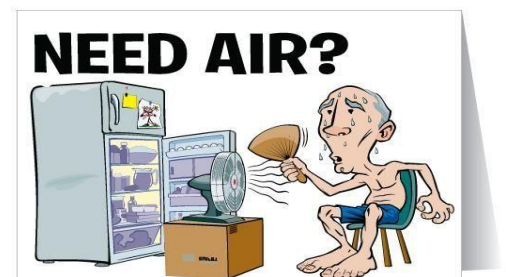
Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally it is possible that I may be **mistaken**.

Keep me reasonably sweet: I do not want to be a saint - some of them are so hard to live with - but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil.

Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so. Amen.

May you have a lovely, if not hot, August. May our air conditioners never break down. And if the air conditioner in my neighbor's house does break down or they don't have the funds to run it, have them come stay with you during the heat of the day. Remember, your AC may be next to clunk out.

Peace, Pastor Rosemary





FOOD PANTRY the food pantry is in need of donations, both food and cash. With our current economy, families are struggling to put food on the table. Everyone is affected. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated. Food donations can be brought to the church or the Fairview Heights Area Food Pantry at 10025 Bunkum Rd (rear) Fairview heights. Any help that you offer will be used to its full potential.

PENNIES FOR MISSION for August will go to Our Church's Wider Missions

USHERS FOR AUGUST

- Aug 4 Tom and Jan Miller
- Aug 11 Nancy Eisenhauer and Carol Bulva
- Aug 18 Judy Schmitt and Chuck Kistler
- Aug 25 Ginny Ganschinietz and Sue Ganschinietz

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

- Sept 1 Tom and Jan Miller
- Sept 8 Lew and Tiffany Baldwin Thomasino
- Sept 15 Nancy Eisenhauer, Chuck Kistler
- Sept 22 Ginny Ganschinietz, Sue Ganschinietz
- Sept 29 Judy Schmitt, Chuck Kistler

OUR FRIENDS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP

Becky Ballard
1211 Moreland Apt 12
Belleville IL 62223

Jeanette Brown
5904 Perrin Rd
Fairview Heights IL62208



FRIENDS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP cont'd

Jackie Canterbury
105 W Julie St Apt C
Shiloh IL 62269

Ivy Schneider
213 Merriweather Ln
Fairview Heights IL 62208

Yvonne Weber
200 St Clair Dr
Fairview Heights IL 62208

Rosemary Williams
201 S Belt W Apt 110
Belleville IL 62220

AMONG OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

8/3 Jeanette Brown
8/4 Bill Underwood
8/5 Eric Moayer
8/7 Brad Eisenhauer
8/9 Mike Stidham

8/12 Joe Bulva
8/13 Donald Krieg
8/23 Amanda Hamilton
8/23 Cindy Harris
8/23 Rebecca Kistler



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES:

8/6 Gene & Sue Ganschinetz # 47
8/26 Gary & Carla Warning # 46

PRAYER LIST: Becky Ballard, Urban Baum, Ronald Bopp, Jeeney Captain, Luz Captain, Josh Mueller, Marilyn Paul, Syd Safriet, David Seneczyn, Yvonne Weber.



It will soon be September, and choir will once again be singing. It will be so good to have a group together again!

YOU are welcome to sing with the choir. My goal is to fill the sanctuary with sound! We sing once a month, so I'm not asking for a weekly commitment. We'd love to have you.

Nancy Eisenhauer



- Lew Thomasino, chair of building and grounds has had a few items to deal with this month. He called Ameren about a gas leak. That will be repaired before the heating season. He and Tom Miller explored outlets in the office and found circuits that were previously unknown. Full power is on!
- The shed has been emptied, sold, and moved to the Underwood home.
- The clean-out of the Sunday School rooms continues. Carol Bulva is leading that effort. We have given a lot of art and craft supplies to Hoyleton Home for Children. They will have well-stocked craft rooms at their new facilities!
- If you haven't ushered for a while and would like to serve, contact Jan Miller. Her email is mjansmill@aol.com

Nancy Eisenhauer



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Emmaus Homes extends a heartfelt gratitude for your generous gift of \$142.90. Your support is invaluable to us and plays a crucial role in our mission.

Lisa Key

Chief Development Officer

August

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Service of Word & Sacrament 10 am Fellowship time after worship				Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Service of Word			Quilters 9am – 4 pm	Quilters 10am-2pm Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Service of Word				Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Service of Word		Quilters Mtg 7 pm		Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm		

Note: No Church Council Meeting in August.