

Hosanna Highlights



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Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. (Matthew 18:3-5)

One of the joys I experience here at Hosanna is that of being around children. Baby Karl is regularly with his mother, our Office Manager Grace, and it has been a delight to see him on nearly a daily basis and watch him smile and gurgle, grow and develop. And then there are the 60 children who arrive on a daily basis for Hosanna Christian Preschool during the school year and the 20 or so here for summer camp, all bringing their energy, chatter, active little bodies and all sorts of playfulness into the building.

I have recently used Jesus' words from Matthew 18 about becoming like a child in devotions with the Church Council as well as our Preschool Task Force. Jesus saw something in children that he thought should be a mark of his followers. The characteristics of children that jump out in my mind are things like curiosity, authenticity, playfulness, openness, trust, empathy for others, resilience. I picture a toddler stopping on a sidewalk and being mesmerized by a tiny ant; or a child giggling and laughing as the grandparent plays horse on hands and knees and gives the child a ride; or a child caught up in a scary story and having all kinds of questions about God and thunderstorms. Children can have vivid imaginations. They are able to display great empathy for someone who is hurt. They can be very trusting of others. Children can also behave badly and need discipline, but I think the point Jesus was making was about these other positive characteristics.

As Hosanna looks to the future these characteristics in children will be vital to the leadership and members of the congregation. An enormous amount of change has happened in the past few years--in the country and in the culture and here at Hosanna congregation. We have lived through the worst of the pandemic hopefully (please keep encouraging one another to get vaccinated!). Lives have been disrupted in work, school, family and church life. And Hosanna suffered disruption not only from the pandemic but from internal conflict. As life returns more and more to "normal", we are discovering there is no simple and easy return to what once was. That is especially true for Hosanna congregation. It will take some re-imagining of Church life, as well as some resilience in congregational character to roll with the change. There is hope for Hosanna, hope that is rooted in God.

These days are similar to days of exile for Israel. The people had been displaced from their homeland and from everything that had been so familiar, including worship at the temple and all the familiar surroundings. After centuries of exile God promised a return, a homecoming, though things would be different. *Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.* (Isaiah 43:18-29)

Israel may have felt like a child learning how to walk or to speak. Israel certainly needed to learn grieve, let go of the old and embrace God's new thing. As Hosanna lives into the coming months, I pray the congregation will be open to new things, imaginative and daring to experiment, inquisitive and eager to learn. That doesn't mean all the old is simply discarded. But it does mean the congregation needs to discern what of the old does God want to use for the new. These are discerning yet playful days, looking back to the foundations of the Lutheran heritage (grace and faith centered in Christ) and looking forward to where the Spirit of the Risen Christ may be leading. I hope it will be a playful and entertaining time, filled with trust and hope in God whose steadfast love is sure.

In Christ's love and peace,

Pastor Jerry Mansholt

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Notes and News:

Join the Hosanna Family
in person at 9am & 10:30am
Or watch on Facebook
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- **Masks are now optional, but please continue to socially distance yourselves from other members.**
- **We have hand sanitizer at the door.**
- **We won't have coffee in the Narthex.**
- **The Nursery will not be open.**
- **Offering plates will be kept at the back of the Sanctuary rather than passed down each row.**
- **We will have music, but we will ask that the congregation not sing at this time.**
- **Communion will take place during the service with one line. Please follow ushers instructions as they dismiss each row.**



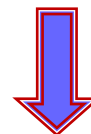
JULY 2021

Church Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for the online church calendar

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| June 26 | Karlyn Ball Memorial 11am |
| June 27 | 9am Service
10:30am Service |
| June 28 | Hosanna Hot Meals
FAITH Garden Meeting |
| July 4 | 9am Service
10:30am Service |
| July 5 | Church Office Closed
NO Hosanna Hot Meals |
| July 11 | 9am Service
10:30am Service |
| July 12 | Hosanna Hot Meals
FAITH Garden Meeting
Executive Committee |
| July 18 | Blessing of the Quilts
9am Service
10:30am Service |
| July 19 | Hosanna Hot Meals
FAITH Garden Meeting
Council Meeting |
| July 25 | 9am Service
10:30am Service |
| July 26 | Hosanna Hot Meals
FAITH Garden Meeting |

Purchase gift cards this summer through our SCRIP Program! List of cards in stock on the next page!!



Purchase SCRIP for your summer trips! Order online [HERE](#) or stop by the office to pick up cards we have in stock!
 Enrollment code: **2D129L3F73L**



All SCRIP funds go towards Youth Transportation!



Download the RaiseRight mobile app to get your cards mailed directly to your home and watch this video on how to get familiar with the app.

- Bed Bath & Beyond: 6 @ 25.00
- Belk: 5 @ 25.00
- CVS: 2 @ 25.00
- Kohl's: 4 @ 25.00
- PetSmart: 11 @ 25.00
- Shell: 6 @ 25.00
- Shell: 2 @ 100.00
- Starbucks: 9 @ 10.00
- Walgreens: 10 @ 25.00
- Walmart: 11 @ 100.00

Hosanna Hot Meals

GRAB-N-GEAUX... PICK UP DINNER EVERY MONDAY: 4:30-6:00PM

Hosanna also supports food challenged families in the Mandeville and North Shore area partnering with **LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR** Ministry delivering individual meals we supply.

WISH TO HELP?
 SIGN UP TO PROVIDE DESSERT ITEMS, VOLUNTEER TO HELP THE KITCHEN KEEPS OR DELIVER MEALS

2480 Highway 190, Mandeville LA 70448

THE FAITH GARDEN IS G R O W I N G!!!!
 THE FAITH GARDEN TEAM MEETS **MONDAYS AT 4:30PM.**
 WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU AS PART OF OUR TEAM!!!

Hosanna F.A.I.T.H.
 food always in the home

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO VOLUNTEER OR STOP ON BY MONDAY EVENINGS!!

Wednesday Bible Study

currently studying the book of Luke

HOSANNA WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

If Grace Is True
 What God Will Never Leave Behind

We will be having in person and online discussion
July 14 at 6:00 PM
 Be sure to join us!

Contact Erica Hoffman for instructions and more information: (985) 789-1137

HOSANNA WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB MEETS MONTHLY ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
8:30am-1:30pm

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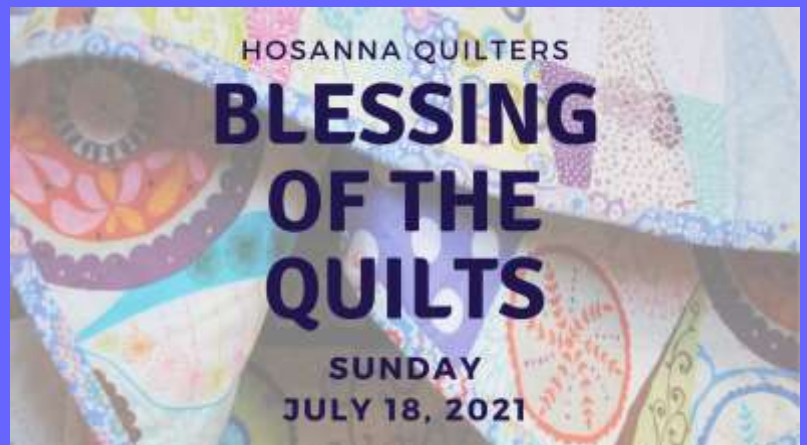
We are on YouVersion Bible app: Get the YouVersion Bible App on your phone to follow along with Pastor's message each Sunday. Download the app, select 'More' in the bottom right corner, then select 'Events'!

Online Resources

- [ONLINE COMMUNITY](#)
- [Online Church Calendar](#)
- [Find a Group List](#)
- [Online Directory](#) (Log in required)
- [Online Giving](#)
- [Register for Events or Classes](#)



Hosanna Quilters
Hosanna Quilters meet every Thursday. For more information contact:
Debbie Coleman
Or the church office



To submit prayer requests Click [here](#):



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Hosannalutheran.com/preschool

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Registration is still on going for the
2021-2022 School Year!
Call the Preschool office for further details♥



HCP's Summer Camp took a field trip to
Hosanna Lutheran's very own F.A.I.T.H. Garden!!



We are ALWAYS collecting Community Coffee Labels

CONTINUE to save your Community Coffee proof of purchase labels this summer and place in the container at the Info Center to help raise funds for supplies for Hosanna Christian Preschool.

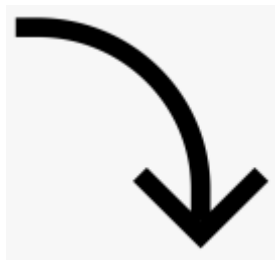


Church Council

See end of the Newsletter for the Church council meeting minutes.



2021-2022 Council Members:
Rob Rhea– President
Marc Reed– Vice President
Doug Burbank– Treasurer
Rachael Moore– Secretary
George Michell– Worship
Steve Beene– Ministry
Charles Stone– Fellowship
Amanda Watson– Evangelism
Nathan Hoffman– Discipleship



The council purpose areas are always looking for volunteers. If you are interested in helping out with Fellowship or Evangelism events or volunteering during the worship services or being part of a ministry team, contact the council member in charge of that purpose area!




July Birthdays!



Jul 1	Lynne Kemp	Jul 15	Julia Ann Hodgson
Jul 1	Chrissy Weber	Jul 16	Lauren Moore
Jul 1	Michael Reed	Jul 19	Brian Nichols
Jul 1	Michelle Helmlinger	Jul 19	Audrey Borde
Jul 2	Brooke Henderson	Jul 20	Marc Reed
Jul 2	Debbie Picou	Jul 21	Alix Vath
Jul 3	Shelley Batte	Jul 22	Ryan Moore
Jul 4	George Soule	Jul 22	Jonathan Sparacello
Jul 5	Rita Dauterive	Jul 22	Jim Joyner
Jul 6	Jerry Mansholt	Jul 22	Maddii Hallenborg
Jul 6	Madeline Tedesco	Jul 23	Katty LeVasseur
Jul 6	Carol Trumbo	Jul 26	Michael Batte
Jul 13	Fred Wetekamm	Jul 27	Alex Reed
Jul 14	Jillian Garretti	Jul 28	Jason Mayo
Jul 15	Marie Growden	Jul 29	Louann Stone
Jul 15	Gayle Miller	Jul 29	Johanna Hurley

July Anniversaries



Jul 1	Jim & Erin Joyner	Jul 19	Alex & Katie Reed
Jul 3	Jerry & Jean Schulz	Jul 21	Rob & Heidi Rhea
Jul 10	Eric & Carole Nungesser	Jul 25	Deborah & Gary Bettencourt
Jul 14	Ron & Vicki Entzel	Jul 28	Lynne & Bill Kemp
Jul 15	Robert & Terri Huet		

**HOSANNA LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2021**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM by Rob Rhea.

Members Present: Rob Rhea, Marc Reed, George Michell, Nathan Hoffman, Rachael Moore, Amanda Watson, Charles Stone, Pastor Jerry Mansholt.

Members Absent: Steve Beene, Doug Burbank

Devotion: A devotion was led by Pastor Jerry based on Acts 2: 1-21, followed by discussion of chapters 3 and 4 of A Field Guide for the Missional Congregation.

Approval of Minutes: Moved and seconded that minutes of 4-19-2021 be approved as written.

Appointment of Nathan Hoffman: It was moved, seconded, and motion carried that Nathan Hoffman become a Council member as leader of the Discipleship purpose area.

Communication: Several church members have requested that the Council re-visit the policy of wearing of masks while at church based on the new CDC guidelines and the governor's recommendation that masks are no longer required for persons who have been fully vaccinated. A discussion was held, and a motion was made by Marc that the church should follow CDC guidelines as above. The church will not monitor vaccination status of congregants. This change in policy will be effective immediately. Council welcomes feedback about this policy over the next month which will be reviewed at the next Council meeting.

Financial Report: PPP Stimulus funds have been approved. Approximately \$66,000 should be deposited into the checking account within a week.

Financial statements were distributed for the Preschool, March and April Reconciliation and the P&L. March Reconciliation was distributed for the church, but there were questions about the report and Rob will clarify with Nicole.

Pastor's Update: See attached. Pastor Jerry expressed concern about the lack of clarity of financial status and reporting. He requested a target date for when to expect this to be available. Rob indicated one month for additional clarity. Nathan volunteered to work with Nicole assisting her with Quick Book Reports.

Worship: See attached. There was concern that only one person was available to operate video and sound for this past Sunday. Rob indicated both he and Heidi can help.

Fellowship: See attached. Charles asked for feedback on the survey he developed regarding past and possible future fellowship activities. It was suggested to add phone numbers for people interested in volunteering for the events. He has volunteered to work with Grace to gain clarity for the Evacuation Routes that are posted on the screens in the sanctuary.

Discipleship: Nathan has met with Pastor and will be working with other Council members to get started on this purpose area.

Ministry: No report.

Evangelism: Grace is pulling together information about families with children (5th grade and under) to be reviewed. Amanda will review with Pastor and work through small group(s) of people to help define ideas for Evangelism forward. Trunk or Treat will be done again this fall with the goal of follow up on visiting families.

New Business: None.

Adjournment: With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachael Moore