



St. Paul's Lutheran Church The Good News!

Sunday Services

860-482-3555

July

August

Summer
2021

- 4 **Pentecost 6**
Worship and Communion
9:00 am
- 11 **Pentecost 7**
Worship and Communion
9:00 am
- 18 **Pentecost 8**
Worship and Communion
9:00 am
- 25 **Pentecost 9**
Worship and Communion
9:00 am

- 1 **Pentecost 10**
Worship & Communion
Healing Service
9:00 am
- 8 **Pentecost 11**
Worship & Communion
9:00 am
- 15 **Pentecost 12**
Worship & Communion
9:00 am
- 22 **Pentecost 13**
Worship & Communion
9:00 am
- 29 **Pentecost 14**
Worship & Communion
9:00 am



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A Word from Pastor Cady

Dear Friends and Members of St. Paul's

Welcome to summer at St. Paul's. The gentle and mighty grace of God is showing itself all around us. Our battle with COVID is not over, but clearly a corner has been turned. We sense the restoration of some version of normalcy. The battle against hunger and poverty is not over, but our ministries of the Free Pantry, the Sharing Garden, the food and clothing collections, the gifts to the Discretionary Fund, and countless acts of generosity are signs of God's compassion for "the least of these." The battle against hate is not over, but we are blessed to be part of a congregation where love dominates our relationships and shapes our actions towards our neighbors. The battle against divisiveness is not over, but we have felt the Spirit's call to remain bound to one another in mutual respect, even in the face of differing viewpoints and opinions.

And in the midst of all the struggles and joys stands Christ. Never wearying of calling us, gathering us, saving us, healing us, and equipping us, Christ remains the one true source of our life and hope. In him, we are a new and fresh creation, as surely as the greenery of our gardens and trees show forth the glory of the natural creation. And as we seek some renewal and refreshment in summer's long and lovely days, so may we never lack a sense of the spiritual renewal and refreshment that comes in our fellowship with our Lord through his great mercy and grace.

May deep peace and abiding joy be yours in Jesus, and may our common mission leave its mark in the lives of all who are touched by it.

Your brother in Christ,



Pastor Scott Cady



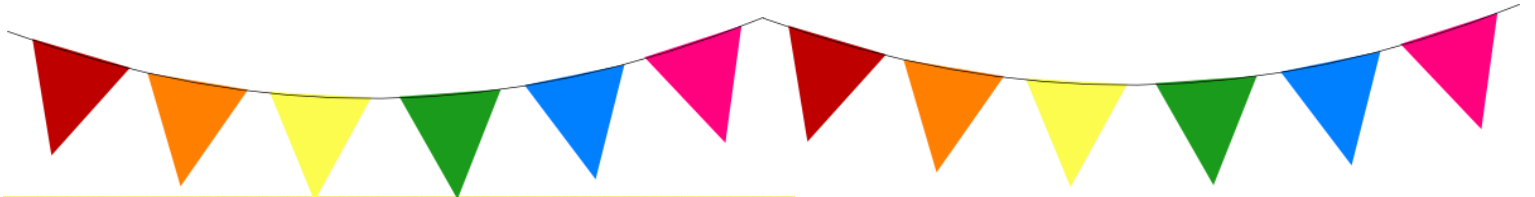


COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS UPDATE



At the Council meeting in June, updated Covid-19 Guidelines were put into place for the church:

- ◆ Fully vaccinated people may worship indoors without masks, and face masks are recommended for people who are not vaccinated. Anyone who wants to wear a mask may continue to do so.
- ◆ We will no longer do temperature checks.
- ◆ Pews will remain socially distance for the time being. This will be reevaluated at the monthly meetings of Worship & Music and Council.
- ◆ We will go at least another month without singing. This will also be reevaluated at the next council meeting.
- ◆ Also decided at the council meeting is the Church Service will change to 9:00 am for the summer beginning July 4, 2021



Other upcoming events at St. Paul's Worship Services @ 10:00am



**Summer Worship @ 9:00am
July 4th - August 29th**



**Vacation Bible School
Ages 4 - Grade 5
August 9-13**



**Fall Fellowship Pork Dinner
(Hopefully in-person!)
Saturday, October 16th**



**St. Paul's Fall Fair
Saturday, November 6th
Crafts, Theme Baskets, Gifts
Limited Vendor Spaces available**

www.StPaulsTorrington.com 860-482-3555



Bring your own chairs for
a great night of music!

**Get ready for live ROCK AND ROLL!
50s, 60s, 70s. Dance or just chill out!**

SOUTH ROAD

Aug. 21 | 5:30-7 pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church parking lot

837 Charles St., Torrington | **Tickets: \$10**

<http://southroadband.weebly.com/upcoming-gigs.html>

Save the Date

Please join us on Sunday, July 25th to celebrate Jan Sosnicki's retirement after more than 15 years as Director of St. Paul's Hilltop Christian Early Learning Center. We will honor Jan during service and then have a reception immediately following.

Please join us in wishing Jan well on her retirement and this new chapter in her life!

Hilltop Advisory Committee



HILLTOP ELC



Happy Summer. We made it! Thanks to all our staff for taking on the extra cleaning efforts and following the guidelines set for by the Office of Early Childhood in consultation with the Department of Public Health. We were able to enjoy end of the year programs in person and outside socially distanced without masks! All our students did a great job as well, throughout the school year, with all the new regulations and having to wear masks while in the building.

Jan and Barbara will have summer hours in the office working on getting ready for Fall. We do have openings in all our classes. Registration forms are available at either the Hilltop office or the Church office. Please spread the word to family and friends. You may call the Hilltop office to schedule a tour and to pick up paperwork 860-482-3727.

We previously reported that three other staff besides Jan were leaving Hilltop. We are happy to announce that Ms. Christina Brzoska and Ms. Nicole Sears have decided to stay on and will take on new positions in the Early Learning Center. We still have a position open for the full day school readiness teacher. The hours are 8:00am-3:30pm. The children arrive at 9:00am and leave at 3:00 pm. This position does require a bachelor's degree. If you or you know anyone that might be interested, please let us know.

We will say goodbye to Jan at the end of July, but what we are really saying is, we will keep in touch and see you sometime. There will be a church service on July 25, 2021, at 9:00am to wish Jan well and thank her for the work she has done these past 15 years! We wish her well in her semi-retirement. Have fun taking care of those grandkids!

Wishing you all a delightful, restful, and rejuvenating summer.

Praying you stay well.

In His Service,
Jan Sosnicki and Barbara Mazzei

AROUND THE CHURCH

Vacation Bible School August 9th – 13th “Rainforest Explorers: Jesus Leads the Way.”

Registration forms are available on the website, the Narthex or can be emailed if requested.



We would like to do as much as possible outside as weather permits this summer. Obviously, if it is oppressively hot and humid or rainy with thunderstorms likely, we will move indoors. We will follow Covid guidelines as outlined at the time of VBS.

Question? Please contact Paula (860-567-9505-H; 860-485-5321-Cell or e-mail teetee108@yahoo.com); see

Pastor Cady; or any member of the Christian Education Committee (Casaundra Abeling, Emily Decker, June DeMichiel, May Friday, and Pamela Little).



There is a **free** Tai Chi class here at St. Paul's on Wednesday mornings at 10:30! We are currently meeting in the Fellowship Hall and hope to go outside when the weather warms up! Tai Chi aids balance, promotes calmness, and improves movement. The Tai Chi movements acknowledge nature. The slow steady movement is for all abilities. Tai chi can also be done sitting down in a chair. Everyone does what they are capable of with **NO** judgement.

Covid precautions will be in place as well. If you are interested or have question, please contact Karen Trippodi at 860-489-3545 or e-mail curtis.j.trippodi@snet.net .



Puppettude Gift Cards

Puppettude is again selling gift cards. An order form is included in the Newsletter. Please fill it out, include your check payable to 'Puppettude' and either place it in the Sunday offering plate, or mail it to the church at 837 Charles St., Torrington, CT 06790. You will be contacted when your order is filled and arrangements will be made to pick up your cards. Thank you for supporting this ministry.



St. Paul's Puppette

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Ludwig at 860-307-3411. Thank you for your order.

Name	Customer #
Check #	Order Date

Clothing & Accessories			
Product	%	QTY	Total
American Eagle® \$25.00	10%		\$
L.L.Bean \$25.00	16%		\$
Marshalls \$25.00	7%		\$
Old Navy \$25.00	14%		\$
T.J. Maxx/Marshalls/HomeGoods/Sierra \$100.00	7%		\$
T.J. Maxx/Marshalls/HomeGoods/Sierra \$25.00	7%		\$
Department Store			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Kohl's \$100.00	4%		\$
Kohl's \$25.00	4%		\$
Dining - Casual			
Product	%	QTY	Total
99 Restaurants \$25.00	13%		\$
Applebee's \$25.00	8%		\$
Applebee's \$50.00	8%		\$
Discount Store & Outlets			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Target \$10.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$10.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Electronics & Office			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Best Buy \$100.00	4%		\$
Best Buy \$25.00	4%		\$
GameStop \$25.00	3%		\$
Staples \$25.00	5%		\$
Entertainment			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Barnes & Noble \$10.00	8%		\$

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Product	%	QTY	Total
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	8%		\$
Fast Food			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Burger King \$10.00	4%		\$
Dunkin' Donuts \$10.00	3%		\$
Dunkin' Donuts \$25.00	3%		\$
Panera Bread \$10.00	8%		\$
Panera Bread \$25.00	8%		\$
Starbucks \$10.00	4.5%		\$
Starbucks \$25.00	4.5%		\$
Subway Restaurants \$10.00	6%		\$
Taco Bell \$10.00	5%		\$
Taco Bell \$25.00	5%		\$
Wendy's \$10.00	6.5%		\$
Gas & Auto			
Product	%	QTY	Total
BP \$100.00	1.5%		\$
BP \$50.00	1.5%		\$
Exxon \$50.00	1%		\$
Gulf Oil \$25.00	1.5%		\$
Mobil \$50.00	1%		\$
Shell \$25.00	1.5%		\$
Shell \$50.00	1.5%		\$
Sunoco \$50.00	1%		\$
Grocery			
Product	%	QTY	Total
ShopRite \$25.00	4%		\$
Stop & Shop (NOT TOPS) \$100.00	4%		\$
Stop & Shop (NOT TOPS) \$25.00	4%		\$
Stop & Shop (NOT TOPS) \$50.00	4%		\$
Health & Beauty			
Product	%	QTY	Total
CVS Pharmacy \$10.00	6%		\$
CVS Pharmacy \$25.00	6%		\$

Home Improvement			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Home Depot® \$100.00	4%		\$
Home Depot® \$25.00	4%		\$
Lowe's \$25.00	4%		\$
The Home Depot® \$100.00	4%		\$
The Home Depot® \$25.00	4%		\$
Online Shopping			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Amazon.com \$100.00	2.25%		\$
Amazon.com \$25.00	2.25%		\$
Specialty Retailer			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Stores \$25.00	6%		\$
Michaels \$25.00	4%		\$
Sporting Goods & Outdoors			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8%		\$
Travel			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Disney \$100.00	3%		\$
Disney \$25.00	3%		\$
Universal Prepaid Cards			
Product	%	QTY	Total
Discover Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$100.00	1.25%		\$
Discover Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$50.00	1.25%		\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$100.00	1.25%		\$

Make Checks Payable To: PUPPETTUDE

Total Due All Columns:

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THE GARDENS

The Monarch Sanctuary Waystation

The Monarch Sanctuary shifted from preparation and planning, to sowing and planting in June. In the lower section of the Sanctuary, we planted pumpkin, gourd, and sunflower seeds. The pumpkin and gourd plants will attract pollinators and if they do well, it will provide some big Jack O Lanterns in the fall and perhaps some gourd bird houses. The sunflowers are pollinators and will also attract birds. The seeds have germinated, and we are presently thinning the seedlings. The sunflowers were planted in height descending order, with the waist high sunflowers closest to the bird bath.

Those visiting the Sanctuary will see the new focal point of the Waystation and that is the rustic birdbath, generously donated by June Seiser (pictured below). The concrete base is shaped like a tree stump and the basin features a squirrel, perched on the edge of the basin. The birdbath has been discovered by deer, who also stopped to munch on recently planted phlox! We hope if the deer continue to visit, they will save their appetite for the meadow, versus the perennial plants.

To attract Monarchs, we require milk weed and the garden has two types. They are growing in the front corners. The "Common Milk Weed" (*Asclepias Syriaca*) is the type we typically see in fields and it has a pink blossom. This has been plentiful in the garden and is growing well, with plants now nearly 3 feet tall and flowering. The 2nd type of milk weed is the "Butterfly Weed" (*Asclepias Tuberosa*) and we have 3 plants that are just starting to grow. At maturity, it will have orange blossoms.

Deb Pike, Master Gardener from Canton was generous to donate over a dozen different types of perennial plants to the Monarch Sanctuary. Supplemental perennials were purchased. Presently, we have the following plants and roots in the ground or will be planted in June: Phlox, Coneflower, Aster, Day Lily, Black-eyed Susan, Liatris, Butterfly Bush, Yarrow, Anise Hyssop, Bee Balm, Balloon Flower, Shasta Daisy, Salvia, Penstemon, Lupine, and Coreopsis.

A few annuals will be planted to add color and allow for different looks at different times of the season. These will include Hollyhock, Petunias, Latana and Zinnia's. All plants will be labeled for easy identification, and mulch paths will be added, once planting is finished.

Two bird houses were generously donated by June Seiser and we will be evaluating the best placement in the Sanctuary over the summer.

The focus for July and August is watering and weeding to establish good root systems for the new perennials and monitoring pest damage and any diseases.



THE GARDENS

The Sharing Garden

The growing and harvesting season has begun! In early June, the gardeners brought our first harvest of leafy greens and fresh onions to FISH (pictured below). Master Gardener Deb Pike from Canton was generous to donate 24 tomato and 36 summer & winter squash plants, which were planted and are maturing. The first tomatoes have started to grow on the vines. Our potato plants are flowering, and the snap peas have produced their first pods and will be ready for harvest before the end of June.

The timer on the hose irrigation was replaced and special thanks to June Seiser for ordering and installing the new timer.

We were also fortunate to receive a Bee Mason & Bug Boarding House, donated from June Seiser (pictured below). June handcrafted and mounted the Bug Motel on the side of the gardening shed and we already have 6 bees and insects that are boarding. We are happy to report that all blue bird houses are occupied. If you are in the lower parking lot or near the Monarch Sanctuary in the early evening, you can see the proud blue bird parents feeding their young. July and August will be peak harvesting months for the gardens.



THE GARDENS

The Garden of Memories In loving memory of Brian Bodnar

God looked around his garden
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

–Anonymous



St. Paul's Lutheran Church

(837 Charles Street, Torrington, CT 06790)

FALL FAIR

Saturday, November 6, 2021

9 am – 3 pm

Vendor Application

Name: _____

Business Name (if applicable): _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Mailing Address: _____

Description of Craft*: _____

**Please be sure to enclose a photograph(s) of your craft if you are a new vendor.*

Vendor spaces are 8' in length. Rental fee for each 8' space is \$25.00. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, memo, *Fall Fair*. Mail completed application form, check, and photograph(s) to: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 837 Charles Street, Torrington, CT 06790.

Yes, I would like to have an 8' table provided to me. _____

Yes, I prefer to have electricity available to me. _____

We are inviting vendors to donate an item from their display for a vendor basket to add to our theme basket drawing. If you wish to donate an item, please check here. _____

I have read and understand the vendor rules (attached to this application). I hereby release St. Paul's Lutheran Church and the Fall Fair Committee of all liability for personal injury and for loss of property due to theft, fire, accident, damage, or weather.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Should you have questions or wish to see the space before applying, call the church office at 860-482-3555 or e-mail secretary@stpaulstorrington.com Feel free to visit the church's website at www.StPaulsTorrington.com

Subject to Change due to Covid 19 Guidelines.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Fall Fair Vendor Rules & Regulations

- The Fall Fair is currently in its 15th year however this is the first time we are holding the fair since the Covid 19 pandemic. We will be following CDC guidelines for social distancing and masks at the time of the fair. We may have to spread displays out; we are committed to using as much space on the main level as needed for safety.
- All items must be homemade or upcycled. No kits or items mass produced will be allowed. Creativity, originality, and quality are important criteria for acceptance.
- Vendors must submit a photograph(s) of their display and describe in detail the items you wish to sell.
- The deadline for submission of the completed application, fee, and supporting photo is October 1, 2021.
- Vendors will be notified of their acceptance as soon after the application deadline as possible. If you are not accepted your check will be returned.
- All spaces are 8' in length. We will supply one 8' table and two folding chairs per display area, if needed. (Please indicate the need for a table on your application.)
- Please note that there are a limited number of vendor spaces with electricity. Please indicate your need on your application form. We will do our best to accommodate you on a first come, first served basis according to the postmark on the application.
- All vendors must be set-up for the entire length of the fair.
- You may set-up your display on Friday, November 5th between 2pm – 4pm or beginning Saturday morning at 7:30am. (Please note that the building will be locked and secured overnight although individual spaces will not be.)
- Nothing may be leaned on or attached to the walls at your display.
- While this is the 15th year of the Fall Fair, it is our second year with vendors. We will depend on you to help spread the news of our event and your participation on social media. We will also e-mail a poster to you for sharing. St. Paul's publicizes the Fair through social media, newspapers, and radio. Our event has been held on the first Saturday in November for many years.
- No "edibles" of any kind can be sold and no drawing/raffles are allowed at your table.
- All vendors must contain their display, their work, and their storage boxes within the dimensions of the space they rent.
- Once you have been accepted as a vendor, no refunds on display space(s) will be made.
- Displays must be broken down and removed from the church by 4:30pm on Saturday, November 6th.
- After unloading your items, vendors must move their vehicle to the lower parking lot on the day of the Fair.
- We are inviting vendors to donate an item from their display for a vendor basket to add to our theme basket drawing. If you wish to donate an item, please indicate that on your application. Thank you for your consideration.
- We are hopeful that we can have our usual homemade soup and sandwich luncheon for purchase if you wish. A complimentary cup of coffee and doughnut will be given to each vendor. We also hope to also have a homemade bakery sale that will include our popular Scandinavian Almond Cakes. The lunch and bake sale are dependent upon health department Covid 19 guidelines in the fall.
- Vendors must release St. Paul's Lutheran Church and the Fall Fair Committee of all liability for personal injury and for loss of property due to theft, fire, accident, damage, or weather.

Blood Drives at St. Paul's!

July 15 9-5

July 27 9-5

August 5 9-5

August 25 9-5

September 9 9-5

September 21 9-5

September 30 9-5



American Red Cross

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>

Did you know that the Red Cross collected 24 units of blood at the drive on May 20th? This brings the total at St. Paul's up to 304 units collected for 2021. For reference, in 2020 they collected 271 units and 94 units in 2019.

The rule of 3 (the blood is separated into 3 individual parts that can be utilized by 3 different people as needed) means so far in 2021 the blood collected at St. Paul's can potentially positively affect 912 other people's lives. That's really awesome.

Thank you!

Local Resources

211

Christian Counseling Connection

860-626-1112

The Community Soup Kitchen

860-482-0130

FISH

860-482-7300

Friendly Hands Food Bank

860-482-3338

The Gathering Place

860-618-3455

McCall Foundation

860-496-2107

Susan B. Anthony

860-489-3798





July & August

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Rosalie Mueller
Hunter Hayes

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Leisa Radzins

5

Sylvia Stevens

8

Margita Stone
Valerie Vega

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Jennifer Ezzo
Amy Worthington-Cady

10

Linda Magyar

13

Dale Camara

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Mark Dautrich

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Laney Hayes

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Dave Stewart

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Jan Eucalitto

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John Stewart

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Rachel Harrel
Nick Canino
Joe Canino
Aurora Muhl

23

James Bement
John Iannelli

26

Carol Gesner
Mahaila Dickinson

30

Kristyn Stewart

31

Olivia Canino



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Tom Seitz
Vicki Jene

4

Max Harrel

6

Richard Corey
Dixie Travis

8

Kathryn Depaoli

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Linda Richard

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Eric Begey

13

Gary Begey

14

Stevie DiStefano

16

Larry Bielik

17

Debora Sterling

18

Meagan Clavette

20

Lydia Smith
John Stewart
Abby Nardine

23

David Ness
Elfrieda Roller

25

Liz Emmett

26

Steve Grening

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Ed Grening

28

Cal Bensch

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Adrienne Weik





Donald and Donna Bruno	7/1/1972	June and Stephen Seiser	08/03/1985
Eric and Sue Homrok-Lemke	7/11/2009	Ed and Anne Grening	08/05/1953
Ignacio and Valerie Vega	7/11/1998	Brian and Karen Kelleher	08/06/1988
William and Michelle Skibesky	7/12/1986	Gary and Linda Rosa	08/07/1982
Richard and Tina Hanusch	7/14/1984	John and Mary Quinn	08/10/1962
		Donald and Brooke Crossman	08/11/2006
		Tom & Linda Boyd	08/18/2007
		George and Joyce Woike	08/25/1985
		Ron and Dixie Travis	08/24/1963
		Kurt and Kelli Schaller	08/25/2007



Millie Maxine Aresco was born to Michael & Erica Aresco on Mother's Day, May 9, 2021. Millie is the granddaughter of Mark & Diane Aresco and niece to Karen Aresco.



Our Condolences

Bill Heintz
Brian Bodnar
George Bruno
David Foth
Joan George



Kids Page



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LIVING
BREAD
JEWS
HEAVEN
FLESH
EAT
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ETERNAL
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ANCESTORS



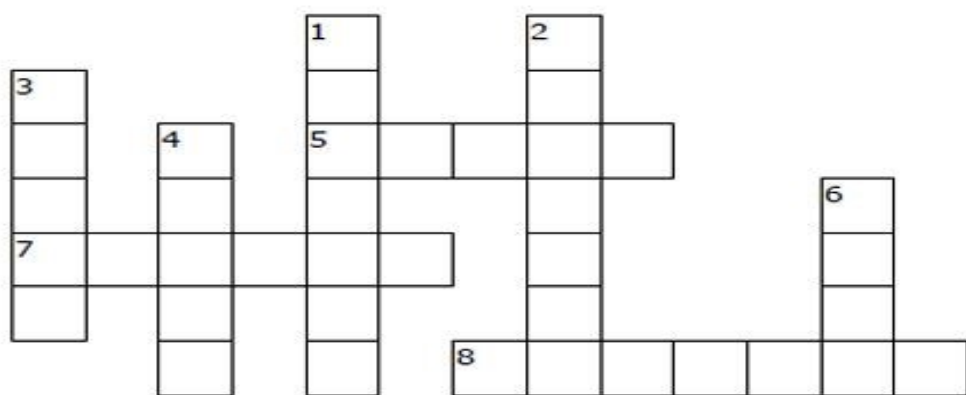
The Living Bread

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." John 6:51 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on John 6:41-51



*"I am
the living
bread."*



ACROSS

- To gain knowledge through experience or study
- To make an effort to hear something; to pay attention
- A person who speaks for God; Isaiah, for example

DOWN

- To accept as true or real
- For everlasting time; eternally
- The earth with its inhabitants
- The Son of God
- To continue to be alive

LIVE
LEARN

BELIEVE
LISTEN

FOREVER
WORLD

PROPHET
JESUS



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