

# The Parish News



September, 2021

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Our Mission. . . "Working hand in hand to know Christ and make Christ known through Worship, Christian Education, Evangelism, Fellowship, Caring Ministries, and Service."

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"18 having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints," Ephesians 1:18

"18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.
With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."
Ephesians 6:18



Grace, mercy and peace be with you in this new school year and as we march towards fall and cooler weather. As a church we are excited to see many of our beloved routines and ministries come back this year. We are looking forward to many traditional ministries and new things this year. Another focus this fall, is a new emphasis on prayer as a congregation: to pray for one another, the sick and adding a focus to pray for those who serve in the US military and national guard.

Our above verses are both from Paul's letter to the Ephesians and they both emphasize the importance of prayer. The second verse above (6:18), we discussed last month, how prayer is necessary to the life of faith. The other verse from the first chapter of Ephesians shows us Paul's thanksgiving and prayer and that he is overjoyed by a report of their faith in Jesus. How he remembers them when he gives thanks in his prayers. This first part of the Ephesians helps to show of this focus on the change of heart that happens in a new believer's life of faith. This is what Paul is describing in the "hearts enlightened" in verse 18. In biblical language, the heart is the seat of thought and will (not emotions). This new life was evident to Paul, by how they were showing evidence of a changed life made new by their faith in Jesus.

This focus on prayer helps bring to light a focus of our faith lives that goes beyond ourselves. We are able to see in greater focus on the needs of those around us and the entire world of those who do not know Jesus. We see this in our mission statement: we are "Working hand-in-hand to know Christ and to make Christ known." The part "to make Christ known" is the part that has our focus outside of our own (personal and as a church) lives of discipleship and is to be focused on

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evangelism or in other words to spread the Good News of Jesus to all that we meet. We will be discovering more real-to-life ways that we can incorporate this way of life, and to live as disciples in a hurting world.

Check out the newsletter for many great articles of what is happening in the upcoming weeks and months at First Lutheran.

You are all in my prayers. I praise God for our being together as a church family and His provision

and presence among us as my family celebrates in September our first year of being with you in Washburn.

In Christ, Pastor Chuck

"A Christian without prayer is just as impossible as a living person without a pulse." ~Martin Luther

Luther, cited by Albrecht Peters, *Lord's Prayer*, trans. Daniel Thies, Commentary on Luther's Catechisms 3 (St. Louis: Concordia, 20211), 29.



#### **STEWARDSHIP**





"Love is patient, love is kind, love does not envy or boast; it is not proud or rude. It is not self-seeking or easily angered. Love keeps no record of wrongs, nor delights in evil but rejoices with the truth. Love always protects, trusts, hopes and always perseveres.

Love never fails!

1 Corinthians13:4-8

Anyone who is familiar with the Bible is undoubtedly familiar with these verses. I happened to run across them in my morning devotions and thought: shouldn't these edicts be just as true of those who want to practice good stewardship?? So I went back over them one by one and this is what I found:

- 1. Good stewards are patient.
- 2. Good stewards are kind.
- 3. Good stewards are not envious.
- 4. Good stewards do not boast.
- 5. Good stewards are not proud.
- 6. Good stewards are not rude or self-seeking.

- Good stewards are not easily angered and keep no record of wrongs.
- 8. Good stewards do not delight in evil but rejoice in the truth.
- 9. Good stewards protect and trust God's kingdom and it's people.
- 10. Good stewards will persevere.
- 11. Good stewards never fail. (Or when they should fail they continue to give God the Glory and have the willingness to try again.)

One last thing about being a good steward: Being one is NOT hard or scary! It is simply committing all you do to God. By serving and helping others you will be putting God first in your life! As we move into the fall season, ask yourself if there are ways in which you might commit to the Lord by serving and helping others!

See you in church or online!

Kathy Keller Stewardship Trustee



As of August 22, 2021:

Our envelope giving is \$150,572.29 with a yearly budget of \$195,000.00. \$24,765.87 ahead of budget.

The plate giving is \$3,892.82 with a yearly budget of \$8,500.00. \$1,591.03 behind budget.

Thank you for your giving.



# AUGUST 3, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING



(Please note that minutes are not approved until voted on by the council at the next meeting.)

The Church Council met on August 3, 2021, at 7:00 PM. Present were: Matt Gardner, Mac Beaudry, Donna Sommer, Jeff Schmidt, Pastor Mann, Stacy Boeshans (7:10), Melanie Beckman (7:30) and Janet Hanson. Absent were Kathy Keller and Lee Kugler. Also present was Jeannette Rost.

The meeting was called to order.

Gardner started with talking about our mission statement. Pastor led with devotions on leadership and the why/purpose for the church and church council. He also mentioned our mission statement and scripture from Matthew 28:19-20.

Beaudry/Schmidt to approve the minutes from June 9, 2021. Carried. We did not have a meeting in July because of the "Catch-up supper".

Sommer gave the treasurer's report. The following balances are on hand: CD's: \$150,000.00; Checking: \$82,510.22; Building: \$48,000.91; Cemetery: \$617.40; Interest: \$5,360.60; Music: \$1,415.39; Parking Lot: \$1,320.00; Worship: \$2,523.44; Morgan Stanley: \$11,992.40. Total Assets: \$303,578.17. Boeshans/Beaudry to approve the report for future audit and to pay all non-budgeted bills. Carried.

Pastors Report: Pastor presided over two committals at Riverview Cemetery-Robert Hect and Bev Glover, funeral services for Pat Lindell and Richard Tweeten, and had baptisms for Paizley Schmitz, Racin and Bellamy Backman, and Vada Vetter. He has been meeting with staff and members along with visits/phone visits and in person home communion. He took vacation in July, is working on the deacon program and membership review. Pastor has a meeting set for Aug. 15 for confirmands and Aug. 21 for orientation for confirmation volunteers. He is inviting the youth grades 7-12 (and college if around) for a time of fellowship on Aug. 22. Honey Sunday will be Oct. 10 and is looking for a pastor for the service when he is at the LCMC conference.

Review of the constitution: Gardner went over Council Roles and Responsibilities, all of whom are elected by the congregation.

Committee reports:

Stewardship: No report.

Worship: Schmidt continues to visit with people to see what their thoughts, likes/dislikes they may have about the service. He thanks Theresa Petersen and Orlin Larson for helping out with custodial duties when he was gone. There are a lot of items collected for Pine Ridge. He has talked to Aaron Vorland about delivering them to Pine Ridge.

Education: Boeshans is recruiting teachers for Sunday School. They will be using a curriculum made by the same company that they are using for Confirmation.

Evangelism: Beckman thanked everyone for the help with the Catch-up picnic. We served about 53 people with 3 or 4 takeout orders.

Property: No report. Pastor reported that the parsonage windows have not come in yet. Kugler cleaned the church gutters.

Executive Committee: The group met on June 29, 2021. Present were Gardner, Beaudry, Sommer, Pastor Mann, and Hanson. They reviewed the updated wedding booklet and approved it as discussed. Pastor's salary was discussed. The original plan last Fall when the budget was discussed, was in July Pastor's salary would be increased by 2% if approved by Council. This was passed by the Executive committee. (Pastor abstained.)

Mutual Ministry Committee: Beaudry has his members for the committee and will now plan a meeting.

Technology committee: The new security system is in. They are still waiting for quotes for self-locking doors. They are making a tech inventory.

#### Old Business:

We have \$864.47 in Thrivent Choice Dollars.

The endowment committee has met twice and will provide a proposal for the Council in Nov or Dec and then it will be presented to the Congregation at the annual meeting.

There were no more interested parties in attending the LCMC annual convention in Oct, so Matt and Laura Gardner will be attending with Pastor Mann. We will be contacting West River to come out and check to see if there are any spots that don't have wireless internet service in the Church.

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#### **New Business:**

Student Pizza day funding was discussed. Before it has been coming from donations, but if the donations didn't cover the cost, it was coming out of the Youth account. Fundraising was discussed. Beaudry/Schmidt to have Boeshans work with the Youth director (L. Gardner) for a fundraiser for this budget year. Carried. Next year it will be looked at putting it in the budget.

We received a \$5,000.00 donation that is to be used for youth/youth activities. Beckman/Boeshans to deposit it in the Evangelism budget line to be used for the youth and allocated at a different time. Carried.

Pastor Mann went over the Continuing Resolution Proposal from the NALC Constitution. Beaudry/ Schmidt to approve supporting the continuing resolution 1 on The Doctrine on Marriage and Sexuality. Carried.

There were no transfers in or out.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 9, 2021, at 7:00 pm.

Schmidt/Boeshans to adjourn. Carried. We ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by: Janet Hanson, Church Council Secretary

Join us for the worship service on Sunday, September 12th, for the following:

#### 3rd Graders Receive Bibles from FLCW

#### Sunday School Teachers, Subs and Music Leaders Installation

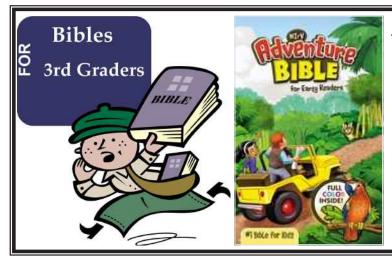
#### Blessing of the Backpacks, Teachers and Students

Students age preschool thru college and teachers are asked to bring their backpacks to be blessed!

### Blessing of the Backpacks







The following third graders will receive their Bibles from the FLCW on Sunday, September 12, during the worship service.

If a name is missed or there is one on this list that should not be here, please notify the church office immediately.

Colt Biesterfeld, Ayzlee Carlson, Blaik Havig, Tanner Kraft, Callie Lorentzen, Corbin Marshall, Tee'onna Rhoades, Cade Richards, Liam Solomonson, Tia Vetter



#### **Education Report**

Stacy Boeshans



#### Rally Sunday - September 12th



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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE THE BEST!

A HUGE shout-out to the following people for hopping on board with us for the 2021-2022 year. It's gonna be a good one!

#### **Teachers**

Kristi Jaeger / Maddie Jaeger Sue Winter / Haylie Bentz Julie Bentz / Helper Needed Sarah Kraft / Helper Needed Judy Beaudry HELP NEEDED Steph Mann Melissa Rothe **HELP NEEDED** 

PreK Kindergarten 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys High School Music Large Group Leader

#### Subs

Sarah Kadrmas Suzanne Swanson Matt Gardner **NEED 2 MORE** 

#### We are still looking for the following:

5/6 Boys 2 helpers 2 subs

Things to keep in mind if you are feeling led to teach Sunday School this year:

- It's super fun 😊
- You don't have to teach ALONE!
- Lesson materials are provided
- Classroom time ranges from 20-30 minutes. Otherwise, we are all together singing, learning and having FUN.
- It's super fun (5)





# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 10:30 AM - NOON

MENU:
French Toast Sticks
Sausage Links
Fruit

Served by FLY

Confirmation Ministry

Confirmation class for grades 7-9 begins on Wednesday, September 8th at 6:30 pm.

If you have not already signed up for confirmation, please follow this website address to sign-up:

https://forms.office.com/r/RX65jKiVjH or QR Code on this page.

Scan here for Sign-up



2021-2022

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pastor Chuck!

#### **Volunteers for Confirmation Ministry 2021-2022**



We are so thrilled by the possibilities for our confirmation students this coming year. We need many hands to help us out. Do you feel that God is calling you to invest in our young people? WE NEED YOU! We are in search of volunteers that will include small group leaders, helpers, snack bringers, chaperones and more. The amount of time required will vary depending on what you would like to get involved in helping us with this fall. If you would like more information, please let Pastor Chuck know. This does not mean that you will be signing up if you inquire. I would love to sit down with anyone and tell them the incredible possibilities that will be offered to our youth this fall and how you may invest in our youth.

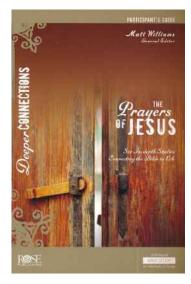


Led by Cathy Sheldon

## "The Prayers of Jesus"

Six week session Begins September 12, 2021 8:30 AM

\$6.50 per book
Books are here and can be picked up and paid for in the church office.



We all know Christians who are bored with Bible study – not because the Bible is boring, but because they haven't been introduced to its meaning in its first-century context and how that is significant for our lives today. When we begin to understand some of these deeper connections – both to the first century and to the twenty-first century, our lives are transformed.

Prayer was the backbone of Jesus' life and ministry. From his baptism to his crucifixion, the Gospels portray Jesus as a man of prayer who knew and deeply valued intimate communion with his heavenly Father. What can we learn from the prayers he prayed? In six engaging, interactive small group sessions, this *Deeper Connections* DVD helps you explore the prayers of Jesus to gain new insights into prayer, the character of God, and how to deepen your relationship with him.





Our Back to School Bash is in the books, First Day of School is behind us and we are happily into the school year! I'm praising God for the current return to normal! I think the thing I'm most excited about is Pizza Day! The school has graciously made a provision again this year to allow the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders to come down to the church to join us for my favorite day of the month! With that said, if you feel led, we can always use donations of pizza sauce, dough packets, toppings, mozzarella cheese or monetary donations.

Riding on that note of excitement, we are shaking things up a bit this year with Confirmation. Not only are we adding the 7<sup>th</sup> graders to the mix but we are also having class go longer too. Confirmation will run from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. I'm very excited that we will have more time with them as there's so much great content to go over. If all runs smoothly, Youth Group will start at 7:30 p.m. for senior high and the 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders attending Youth Group can join in after they get done with Confirmation. I appreciate your patience as we transition into this new program and timeframe.

A couple things to have on your radar; there's two concerts coming up, Disciple in Beulah on October 27<sup>th</sup> and King & Country in Fargo on November 12<sup>th</sup>. If there are 5 or more students interested in attending, we will plan on going! The concert in

Beulah is free! The one in Fargo will be an over nighter. The cost for the King & Country Concert will be \$75\* (based on current ticket prices). This will include ticket, travel, hotel, supper and breakfast. Please let me know if you are interested in going right away so we can keep the cost low!

Blessings, Laura Gardner Youth Director

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Sep. 1	Pizza Day!
Sep. 8	6:30 p.m. Confirmation 7:30 p.m. Senior High FLY 8:00 p.m. All FLY
Sep. 15	7:30 p.m. Senior High FLY 8:00 p.m. All FLY
Sep. 22	7:30 p.m. Senior High FLY 8:00 p.m. All FLY
Sep. 29	7:30 p.m. Senior High FLY 8:00 p.m. All FLY





Handbell choir begins Wednesday, September 8th 6:45 PM

Come ring the bells with us this year! New ringers are always welcome to join.

Questions, talk to Gwen Hall.



Choir begins on Wednesday, September 8th 7:30 PM

Lift your voices in praise! Sopranos, Altos, Tenors and Basses needed!

Questions, talk to Randy Hall

# FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH SUPER SUNDAY SUPPER

Sunday, September 26 4 - 6 pm

# Chili, Cornbread and Dessert

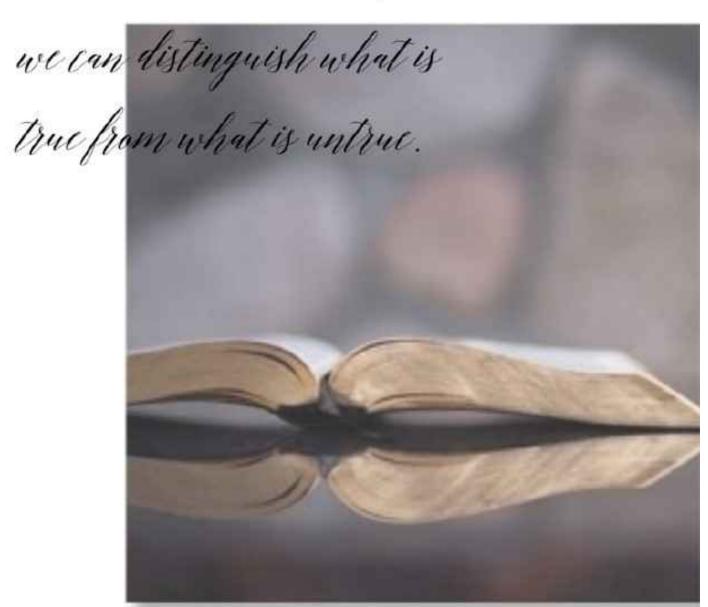
FREE WILL OFFERING

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!** 

Join us at 3:00 pm for the movie: "The Corrie Ten Boom Story".

QUESTIONS - call Judy - 701-220-4410 or Mike - 701-460-6997

# When we remain in His Word.



Please join us in the

Reading of the Bible

STARTING SEPT. 19 FIRESIDE ROOM FOLLOWING CHURCH SERVICE

Contact Alexis Solomonson with any questions 701-721-7848

# FLCW NEWS

September, 2021

**Executive Board:** 

Donna Gunderson Judy Beaudry

Secretary:

Marlys Knell

Treasurer:

LeAnn Richard

Action (Quilts, LWR Kits):

Gwen DeMontigny Marlys Knell

**Altar Guild:** 

Theresa Petersen

Audit:

Mary Ann Beeks

Camp of the Cross:

Peggy Moran

Community:

Kathy Keller

Meals on Wheels

Lions Bake Sale

Alli Sheldon

Goodies From the Heart

Good Cheer:

Mary Ann Beeks

**Growth (Confirmation &** Graduation Tea and 3rd

**Grade Bibles):** 

Janet Hanson

Margaret Rasmussen

Kitchen:

Arlene Schwarz

Kathy Keller

Linda Zeller

Lefse, Cards, etc.:

Donna Kroll

Marlys Knell

Library:

Sharon Chrest

Sande Wagner

Norma Petersen

Arlene Schwarz

**Prayer Chain Chairmen:** 

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Chuck Mann

Jeannette Rost

Receptions/Bulletin Board

**Decorating:** 

Donna Gunderson

Service Secretary:

Sharon Chrest

Melissa Chrest

Thanks to everyone who helped with the cleaning of the church! God Bless you for your hard work!

#### SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Meals on Wheels - Kathy Keller Chairperson

September 12 - Bibles for Third Graders during worship service **Growth Committee** 

September 14 - 6:30 pm - Service Project A Night with FLCW Quilters Work Group 1 Serves

**Executive Meeting - TBA** 

September 23 - Quilting - 9:00 am

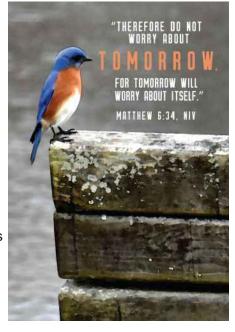
#### **UPCOMING EVENTS** OCTOBER

TBA General Meeting

TBA Possible Women's Retreat

October 28 - Quilting - 9:00 am

Donna Gunderson and Judy Beaudry, Co-chairs







#### **Deborah Bible Study**

September 16 9:30 AM at the church Sylvia Thompson & Sharon Chrest Host

Please let your hostess know whether or not you will be attending each month.

Study will be Episode 5, Lessons 1 & 2

FLCW is collecting items for LWR kits. Below is a list of items needed. (Please purchase and put items in quilt room downstairs at the church).

A night with FLCW quilters will be held on September 14th at 6:30 pm to put kits together and box for shipping in October.

Thank you for helping with this worthy project!!!



#### Lutheran World Relief

#### School Kits:

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 1/2" eraser
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" X 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)

#### **Baby Care Kits:**

- Two lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies)
- Two long or short sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- Two receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- One jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- Two pairs of socks
- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- 2 or 3 bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 or 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars.
- Two diaper pins or large safety pins

#### Personal Care Kits:

- One light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" & 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
- 2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail clippers, remove packaging



Do you like receiving your newsletter on time and reading it?
Would you like to read it the same or next day after it is mailed out?
I have a solution for that!

Contact Jeannette in the church office at 701-462-3775 or email her at flc@westriv.com with your email address. Once she has the newsletter posted on the church website she will email you letting you know it is ready to read. You can print off as much of it as you want.



Another reason to consider reading it online vs having it mailed to you: There was an article stating that this Fall it could take longer to get your mail through the post office.

Consider getting your newsletter online and save the church money along with being able to read it sooner through the website.

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Fall Women's Retreat

For Lives of Faith...

"Camping with

Christ...

Presenter:
Susan L.
Hamilton,
author and
speaker

"Come join us as we discuss about the importance of prayer and heritage"

September
21, 2021
(optional overnight
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# Optional Over Night Housing

Those who register early may stay in the comfort of our Retreat Center Lodge or "new" Row Cabins both with indoor shower facilities and bedrooms that accommodate 1-2 people. Later registrants may stay in our retreat area cabins. The cabins have an indoor toilet and sink. Showers are located at a nearby building. Bedding is not supplied in cabins.

Questions- contact the camp office at 701-337-2246 or

director@campofthecross.com

www.campofthecross.com

# ON LINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

**REGISTRATION: Please Check One** 

\$75 for Retreat Lodge/Row

**\$65 for Retreat Cabin** 

\$35 for day program-no

lodging

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Roommate:

Check \_\_\_ Visa or MasterCard

Please register by Sept. 13th!

A \$25.00 non-refundable deposit is requested!

Name on Card:

Billing Address:

Card No.:

Exp. Date: CV:

be Charged: Amount to

Heritage of Women" "Pass It On- The "The Reason for Prayer" &

We are excited this year to have Susan L. Hamilton with us. Sue is a motivational speaker and author life. Sue's passion comes through in her energetic speaking style and conversawho inspires and motivates others by sharing how God has impacted her tional way of writing.

# September 21, 2021

additional overnight stay. One day program with an

Registration on Tuesday will be at 10AM in the Fellowship Center.

The Retreat begins at 11:00AM.

The overnight "extra" will end in the morning on Wednesday. What to bring: Bedding if in retreat cabins, friend, Bible, snack to share, silent auction item and/or Mother the Camp gift. HOUSING IS ON A FIRST COME-FIRST SERVE BASIS

(single rooms are not available!)

Send the left side of this form along with your nonrefundable \$25 deposit to:

PO Box 1257, Garrison, ND 58540 Camp of the Cross Ministries

silent auction, games and If you would like to help please let us know. We need volunteers for the decorating the tables! us with the retreat

Thank you!



Kegister On Line!



# Convocation hears vision updates, affirms decisions

The 2021 NALC Mission Convocation heard updates on the 10 points of the NALC's 2020 Vision and overwhelmingly approved two resolutions supporting decisions by the Executive Council to establish a central NALC office in the Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, area and to add four part-time assistants to the bishop.

The convocation revolved around the 10 points of the 2020 Vision. Each vision point was highlighted with oral and written reports. Opportunities for discussion of each point and questions from delegates were provided.

More than 400 delegates and visitors gathered August 4-6 in Corpus Christi, Texas, for the 2021 Mission Convocation around the theme, "God the Father Creates." The convocation and the events preceding it comprise the NALC's annual Lutheran Week.

**2020 Vision Appeal:** We are excited to share that we are moving forward with funding and implementing our 2020 Vision with the full support of the bishop and Executive Council. We are working with Cramer & Associates from Dublin, Ohio, a Christian-based philanthropic advisory firm, to execute this powerful and important initiative. We look forward to communicating and working with you on building our future.

**Elections:** The Rev. Mark Werner of Pittsgrove, New Jersey, and Joel Williams of Erwin, South Dakota, were elected to four-year terms on the Executive Council. The Rev. Dr. Jeffray Greene of Brooks, Georgia, and Matthew Lind of Bainbridge Island, Washington, were elected to the Court of Adjudication.

The Rev. Dr. Amy Little was installed as the General Secretary of the NALC. The general secretary is the chief operating officer of the NALC and manages its administrative functions.

A major address on the convocation theme, "God the Father Creates," was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Steven Paulson. He focused on the significance of the first article of the Apostles' Creed and Martin Luther's explanation of it in his Small Catechism.

Melissa Ohden told the moving story of her life as the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion and now as an advocate for abortion survivors and pro-life policies.

2022 budgets were approved. The Convocation approved a \$2 million Operating Budget for the NALC. Budgets were also approved for the church's designated funds: \$875,000 for the Theological Education Fund (which includes the North American Lutheran Seminary); \$215,500 for the Great Commission Fund; and \$143,000 for the Disaster Response Fund.

Prayer for Ethiopia: The convocation unanimously approved a resolution inviting NALC pastors, congregations and members to unite in "intentional and intensive prayer for Ethiopia." Ethiopia is going through a time of significant political unrest. The NALC is in a full-communion relationship with the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus, the largest Lutheran church in the world.

Amendments to the NALC Constitution adding language naming mission districts and mission regions were approved. The amendments must be ratified by NALC congregations.

**Reports** of the work of the NALC's staff, teams, task forces, ministries and ministry partners were warmly received.

The Braaten-Benne Lectures in Theology, which preceded the convocation, focused on God the Father. Other events of Lutheran week included the Women of the NALC Annual Gathering and workshops on discipleship, stewardship and youth ministry.

**Documents, photos and videos** from the convocation and other events of Lutheran Week will be posted at *lutheranweek.com*.

Now is the time to purchase items for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will arrive sometime in September and will be collected by November 13th with a blessing of the shoeboxes on November 14th during the worship service.

They will then be taken to Bismarck to be shipped to the distribution site.

Following is a partial suggested list of items.

A more detailed list will be on the table in the narthex.

Thank you for helping with this worthy project!!!



#### WHAT GOES IN MY SHOEBOX?

Papers with more suggestions for each age group and gender are on the table in the narthex.

#### "WOW" Item

Delight a kid! Start with a medium to large item that will capture the child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. **Ideas include:** Soccer ball with pump, Stuffed animal, Toys (puppets, trucks, etc.), Doll (baby, Barbie, etc.), Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder), Outfit, Shoes

#### Other Suggestions

- ⇒ **Toys:** Include items that children will immediately embrace such as toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.
- ⇒ **School Supplies:** pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.
- ⇒ Non-liquid Hygiene Items: toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, etc.
- ⇒ Accessories: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.
- ⇒ **Crafts:** Make your own items such as hair bows, finger puppets, and friendship bracelets.

#### Pack shoeboxes for Age and Gender-Specific:

<u>Girls 2-4</u>, <u>Girls 5-9</u>, <u>Girls 10-14</u>, Boys 2-4, Boys 5-9, Boys 10-14.

A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

#### Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

#### **Gospel Materials**

Your \$9 donation to Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, helps us train and equip local churches to use our Ministry Partner Guide. This resource shows churches how to share the Good News of the Lord Jesus Christ in a child-friendly way.

Your donation also provides The Greatest Gift Gospel Booklets, which are written in the children's language and distributed along with shoebox gifts.



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FLC ANNUAL PICNIC - July 28, 2021
56 people were served. \$3,615.00 received
Thank you church council for your time in preparing and serving the meal.
Thank you also to everyone that came for the delicious food and company and also your contributions.



















#### SEPTEMBER WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

#### SUNDAY USHERS/GREETERS - 9:30 AM

- 5 Chad & Kacy Hardt Family
- 12 Brent & Theresa Petersen
- 19 Larry & Kathy Keller
- 26 Terry & Norma Petersen

#### **SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READERS**

- 5 Willie Ziemann
- 12 Cathy Sheldon
- 19 Haley Anderson
- 26 Sunday School

#### **ALTAR CARE**

Carla Bickert & Sonja Bergstedt

#### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 5 Janell Ziemann
- 19 Haley Anderson

#### **COFFEE HOUR SERVERS**

- 5 -
- 12 Sherry Kinnischtzke
- 19 Larry & Kathy Keller
- 26 Terry & Norma Petersen

#### **SERVICE GROUP COORDINATORS**

Larry & Kathy Keller



- Thank you LaVonne Stroup and Brenda Suckow for helping fold and tape the August newsletter for mailing.
- Thank you Don & D.J. Winter, Melissa Rothe, Dwight Rasmussen and Matt Gardner for taking on the responsibility of making sure we had Facebook Live and YouTube Live this past month.
- © A HUGE THANK YOU! Words cannot express our thankfulness for all the volunteers that came

out to help with the fall church cleanup! There are to many to mention without missing someone. You know who you are and we are so grateful for each and everyone of you! It is a big job and could not be done without your help.

Dear First Lutheran Church,

Thank you for paying for Camp of the Cross. I had lots of fun.

Chloe Erber



The following list is the service group scheduled for October. The group coordinators are Dean & Sonja Bergstedt. If your name is on this list, please check the calendar and see what Sunday(s) in October works best for you and give Dean or Sonja a call at 866-5881. If Dean or Sonja calls you, please prayerfully consider how you can help. If you don't see your name on this list, your month is coming. Please say yes, when called. Thank you for doing your part and participating in our worship service.

**Edith Bauer** Mac & Judy Beaudry Melanie Biesterfeld Rebecca Duvall Bob & Marlene Frank Dennis & Gayle Johnson Cindy Kuntz Clint & Heidi Marshall Cody Meadows Pat Nelson Clay & Rani Price Brad & Cathy Sheldon Jon & Leslie Sheldon Aaron & Lexie Solomonson Kitty Tweeten Rick & Laura Tweeten

## CAMP OF THE

September 15-19 Crafting Weekend September 21-22 Women's Retreat

October 6-10 Crafting Weekend October 15-16 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Bash

November 3-7 Crafting Weekend

November 26-28 Dickens Festival Weekend

- \* CRAFTING WEEKENDS Options: 2 nights, 3 nights & 4 nights. Crafting Retreats continue to be popular, so register early to get in on all the fun!
- \* WOMEN'S RETREAT "The Reason for Prayer" and "Pass It On The Heritage of Women". Sue Hamilton is a motivational speaker and author who inspires and motivates others by sharing how God has impacted her life. Sue's passion comes through in her energetic speaking style and conversational way of writing. Registration is a 10 am on Tuesday, September 21 with retreat beginning at 11 am. The overnight

"extra" will end in the morning on Wednesday.

- \* FALL YOUTH BASH Come join in the great opportunity for youth to come together in fellowship, grow together in lives of faith, and have a good ol' time in between. Join in a day of activities, games, bible study, worship and more! God continually shows vibrant colors through all of creation through His love poured out for all of us.
- THANK YOU to Mac and Judy Beaudry and Tom Merkel for helping feed the CCM Trekkers August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Update on the Prairie Lake Festival from June 2021 over \$26,500 was raised!!

Call 701-337-2246 for questions and registering for retreats; or email <a href="mailto:info@campofthecross.com">info@campofthecross.com</a>.

Thank You Peggy Moran

#### First Lutheran September Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following First Lutheran members who have birthdays in September. We are sorry if we missed anyone this month. If your name has been missed, kindly report it to the church office so we can get your birth date for our records. Likewise, if we have printed your birthday and you do not wish to have it published in the newsletter, please let Jeannette know in the church office. We will remove it for next year. Thank you!



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Lesli Fiedler Jerry Richards	2 Ruth Borlaug Arlene Hoff Annie Johansen Dominique Pickell Deb Wisdom	3	4 Keith Jacobson Orlin Larson
5 Aryonna Bauer Carla Bickert	6 Candace Ankenbauer Byron Hansen Eric Schmitz	7 Quincey Duvall Casen Maier Faith Wasson	8 David Borlaug Andrew Fee Remi Solomonson Jack Zimmerman	9	Becky Duvall Aubrey Gardner Kasi Hammling Olivia Retterath	Kollins Albers Jon Chrest Chris Malsam Justin Petersen
12 Christian Gardner	Ward DeMontigny Dale Klosterman Amanda Schmidt	14	15 Nolan Teigen Amanda Vetter	16	Monte Carvell Kylee Fiedler Helen Samuelson	18 Staci Berube Jed Hardt
19 John Samuelson Grant Tweeten	20 Tonya Gieser Carl Heger	21 Alton Krebsbach	22 Keaton Kadrmas	23 Angel Golob Doddie Kuntz Shauna Schauer	24 Geniel Schell	25 Don Brewster Dylan Schauer Ellie Schmidt
26 Cadence Charging Jim Kaiser	27 John Wasson	28 Rachel Pfleiger Mandy Schell	29 Madilyn Knox Keith Loutzenhiser Strausser Malsam Lynn Sommer	30 Mark Loutzenhiser Heidi Marshall Dane Petersen Lowell Rothmann Dean Schell		



Wes Sauer Claudette Ness

# Memorial Gifts Given to Special Funds (Sunday, August 1 to Sunday, August 22)



Fund given to & by whom In Memory	f Fund given to & by whom In Memory of
Building Fund	n Duane & Marlys Knell d Elaine Carr n Steve & Peggy Wollmuth ll Chuck Sheldon
Camp of the Cross \$0.0	
Decorating (Church) \$25.0  Rick & LeAnn Richard Dick Tweete Rick & LeAnn Richard Mary Ann Monsebrote	Jim & Jan Stoppler າ
Evangelism (for youth) \$5,000.0 Karla Nelson Carl & Almira Nelson	Dewey & Wanda Oster Betty Freier Dewey & Wanda Oster Isaac Sheldon
General Fund	Dewey & Wanda Oster Jean Landsiedel Sylvia Thompson Dick Tweeten
Chuck Sheldon	A.J. & Doddie Kuntz
Elaine Carr	George & Val SwansonDianne Rasmussen r Virgil & Deb WisdomIren Olmstead
Wes Sauer	A.J. & Doddie Kuntz (4 times) Keith Kuntz
The following are all in memory of Isaac Sheldon Alton & Brenda Krebsbach Sharon Chrest Elaine Carr	Elmer & Arlene Schwarz
Dick & Carla Bickert Jim & Jan Stoppler	Relief Missions\$0.00
Wes Sauer Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer Mac & Judy Beaudry	Sunday School \$185.00  Dick & Barbara Brewster Dick Tweeten  John & Helen Samuelson Isaac Sheldon  Terry & Norma Petersen Isaac Sheldon
The following are all in memory of Dianne Rasmussen: Orlin & Ivadell Larson	Brad & Cathy Sheldon Isaac Sheldon Mary Ann Beeks Isaac Sheldon
Kim & Brenda Ankenbauer Elray & Lynette Sondrol Dick & Carla Bickert	US/Local Missions \$50.00  Jim & Kathy Kaiser Dick Tweeten  Jim & Kathy Kaiser Dianne Rasmussen
The following are all in memory of Dick Tweeten: Sharon Chrest	World Hunger\$0.00

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#### Fund given to & by whom

#### In Memory of

Worship	\$105.00
Peggy Moran	•
Gary & Cindy Thiel	
Kitty Tweeten	

#### Fund given to & by whom

#### In Memory of

Worship (cont.)

Dwight & Margaret Rasmus	sen Isaac Sheldon
Dwight & Margaret Rasmus	sen Dick Tweeten
Randy & Janet Hanson	Dick Tweeten
Randy & Janet Hanson	Dianne Rasmussen



The following people were prayed for by request at worship from Sunday, August 1 - Sunday, August 22. If we missed you or your loved ones, or your prayer requests, please accept our apologies.

Please let the church office know before you enter the hospital for planned surgeries, during any hospitalization, or about your illnesses and any special needs that we may pray for you.

- Prayers for the cousins & families of Joan Holznagel on the death of their dad & mom, Dr. Floyd & Dr. Marlys Boschee of AZ
- Family of Lowell Latimer on his death Nancy Liffrig's Father
- ◆ Rita Peet
- Family of Sandi Femling
- ◆ Tom Thacker Brother to Kathy Key
- Wayne Evans Friend of the Brewster's
- LeAnn Richard
- Family of Isaac Sheldon on his death
- Family of Mary Ann Monsebroten on her death
- Family of Irene Olmstead on her death
- Family of Dick Tweeten on his death
- Family of Brenda Human on her death
- Rain and the end of drought
- Dale Klosterman
- ◆ Connie Lawson
- Grandma Holiday
- Corinne Kerzmann Sister to Donna Gunderson
- ♦ Dennis VanHoorn
- Mastroberti Family Family friend of Steph Mann

- People of Haiti
- ◆ James Tolbert
- Kathy Key
- Karen Goehring
- Michelle & Jason Burger
- ◆ Hunter Feigum
- Olivia Retterath
- Pat Anderson
- Mardella Aanderud Mother to Melanie Beckman
- Mary Ann Monsebroten Sister to Jackie Olson
- Kathy Solomonson
- Ross Lorentzen
- Keith Hammerbeck Family friend of the Kugler's
- Deborah Davenport Mother of Laura Gardner's friend
- Virgie Emineth
- ◆ Cindy Delmonico Mother to Melissa Kugler
- Ruby from Pine Ridge
- Claire Boucher Friend's of Aaron & Lexie Solomonson newborn
- ◆ Jamie Baumann
- Taylor Gardner
- Harold Holtz
- Elaine Renfrow Mother to Lynette Sondrol
- ◆ Sandi Femling Cousin to Melanie Beckman
- Laren Holznagel
- Harlow Tatum Daughter of Brea (Gutknecht) Tatum
- Ruth Lund Mother to Doddie Kuntz
- John Krebsbach Brother to Peggy Wollmuth
- Arlo Omoth Brother to Jeneen Loe
- ◆ Bob Miller
- Rodney Jaeger

Our sympathy goes out to:



- ⇒ Kitty Tweeten, Rick & Laura Tweeten and David & Tana Larsen and families on the death of Kitty's husband and Rick & Tana's father, Dick Tweeten
- ⇒ Francis & Joann Brunsell on the death of Joann's mother, Irene Olmstead
- ⇒ Dick & Jackie Olson and family of the death of Jackie's sister, Mary Ann Monsebroten
- ⇒ Joe & Kellie Sheldon on the death of their son, Isaac Sheldon
- ⇒ Family of Sandi Femling on her death Cousin to Melanie Beckman

May God give them comfort in this time of sorrow.





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 11:45 AM Pizza Day 7:00 PM Technology Committee Meeting	AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study	3	4
5 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	LABOR Day	7 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	8 Pastor Chuck's 1 year anniversary w/FLC 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Sr. High FLY 8:00 PM All FLY	9 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 7:00 PM Council Meeting	10	WE WILL NEVER FORGET PATRIOT DAY
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Grandparents Day 8:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship 3rd Graders Receive Bibles S.S. Teacher Installation Blessing of Backpacks 10:30 AM Rally Sunday Brunch served by FLY 10:45 AM Rally Sunday Sunday School 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	13 10:00 AM Chat & Sew Quilting	14 10:00 AM Mommy's Group 6:30 PM Night w/FLCW Quilters Putting Together LWR Kits	9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Sr. High FLY 8:00 PM All FLY	16 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 9:30 AM Deborah Bible Study at the Church	17	18
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion 8:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	20 Noon Newsletter Deadline	21 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Sr. High FLY 8:00 PM All FLY	23 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study 9:00 AM Quilting	24	25
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour 10:45 AM Sunday School Bible Study 4 - 6 PM Super Sunday Supper 7:00 PM AA Meeting Al-Anon Meeting	27	28 10:00 AM Mommy's Group	9:30 AM Friendship Bible Study 6:30 PM Confirmation 6:45 PM Bell Choir 7:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Sr. High FLY 8:00 PM All FLY	30 AM Pastor Chuck at Text Study		

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#### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**