

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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Hello St. Johns,

We are headed into summer and every day we make more headway into “normalcy”. What is normal? I’m not sure anymore! Normal is a relative term of course but we’re taking those steps forward.

If you don’t mind, I wanted to spend just a little bit of time to talk about a project that I’ve been working on. When the pandemic started I started making videos to reach people. Ideally I try to make 2-3 bible studies a week. 2 from the Old Testament and one from the New. They are full chapters taught in a conversational way. This month I’m going to increase that to 5 so you have one every weekday. I call this **The Scroll Project**.

The Bible Project name was already taken so The Scroll Project is inspired by Ezekiel 3:3. In that verse Ezekiel is told to devour the scroll. In other words, to consume the word of God so that it becomes part of him. In that verse we learn that Ezekiel compared the taste of the scroll to honey. We consume television, music, pictures, social media, and books don’t we? So I think it’s a good idea as a church to feed people the word of God.

Who watches these studies? How much does it matter? What effect do they have? I don’t know for sure. Here is what I do know. The mission of the church includes preaching the gospel so I view it as one part of that mission. At the end of the day our most important audience is an audience of three. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That’s who we always want to do our best for. I believe that a church is blessed if God’s word is taught there.

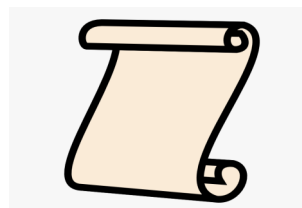
So it will probably take about 5 years to complete the Scroll Project but when it’s done there will be a library covering the entire Bible from your home church. Not only to reach those who are here now but those who know St. Johns as home even though life may have carried them elsewhere.

Blessings to you,

Jeremy Wolfe

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FARMERSBURG

CHURCH COUNCIL

Pres: Zach Radloff (22)

V. Pres: Brad Hoth (21)

Sec: Tammy Muller (20)

Treas: Lindelle Scherf (22)

Council Members: Jeff Klinge (21)
Tracey Phillips (22) & John Suhr (23)

CHURCH SECRETARY:

Kelly Shaw

FINANCIAL SECRETARIES:

Kelly Shaw & Brenda Hoth

OUTSIDE JANITOR:

Loren Scherf

INSIDE JANITOR:

Mary Beth Tielbar

WELCA:

Pres: Shirley Marmann

V. Pres: Velma Kuehl

Sec: Nancy Moon

Treas: Becky Fuelling

Mission Action: Bev Moon,
Nancy Moon, Marlene Glawe

MEN'S GROUP:

Pres: Jason Klinge

V. Pres: Brad Hoth

Sec/Treas: Don Bossard

ALTAR GUILD:

Directress: Cheryl Bossard

Sec: Loretta Weipert

Treas: Velma Kuehl

ST. JOHNS MINISTRY YOUTH

Pres: Logan Engelhardt

V. Pres: Braden Landt

Sec: Ashley Shaw

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Secretary: Vicki Baade (21)

Members: Theresa Rodas (22)

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Jason Klinge (23)

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Church Website:

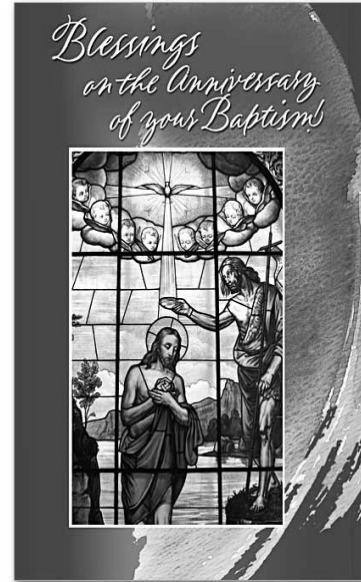
<http://www.stjohn-farmersburg.org/>

Remember to like St. John Facebook Page.

FARMERSBURG NEWS

June Known Baptisms

- 1 Jeremy Howard
- 1 Lisa Pavlovic
- 1 Heather Crogan
- 6 Gage Koopman
- 8 Lyvea Krambeer
- 10 Vernice Moon
- 15 Todd Ihlenfeldt
- 16 Jane Davis
- 18 Amy Klinge
- 1 Gloria Tayek
- 21 Dillon Hope
- 1 Axel Rodas
- 24 Carson Kirby
- 1 Conner Kirby
- 25 Lindelle Scherf
- 28 Kenneth Kuehl
- 29 Iris Fuelling



JUNE SCRIPTURE READERS

- 6 Heather Crogan
- 13 Volunteer Needed
- 20 Becky Fuelling (Outside Service)
- 27 Volunteer Needed



Volunteers are needed to read the scriptures. Please consider reading and sign the sheet that is in the narthex. Thank You in advance.



Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Dallas Jordan Thompson, who died on May 1, 2021. Private funeral services were held. Thank you for sharing flowers in his memory.

Condolences to the family and friends of Francis Casper Schoulte, who died on May 1, 2021. His services were held on May 6, 2021 in McGregor.

Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Isabel Sophie Louise Kurth, who died Saturday, May 15, 2021. Private services will be held.

FARMERSBURG NEWS

Masks are still recommended. Per CDC regulations, fully vaccinated people may choose not to mask. Because we are a medium sized, indoor assembly, with various ages and stages of vaccination, the council feels that is a good practice to be cautious and mindful of the risks and needs of all in our worshipping community.

Greeters may welcome parishioners, but no hand shaking at this time.

June 6 & June 13

Ivan Meisner, Jim Lenth, Jason Klinge, Ben Wikner

Greeters: June 6 Zach Radloff & Autumn Schuety

June 13 Ken & Heather Crogan

June 20 (Outdoor Service) & June 27

Rod Stagman, Zach Radloff, Dan Moon, Gilbert Brainard

Greeters: 20 Chad & Brianna Hoth (Outdoor Service)

27 Dorothy Jennings & Diana Miller



June 3 Nadyne Reardon
Taylor Jo White
4 Ashton Phillips
5 Julie Kurth
7 Andrew Scherf
8 Nancy Moon
Abbigail Fuelling
Elise Corlett
10 Brad Scherf
11 Harold Vogt
12 Allen Kuehl
16 Elaine Fuelling
Bree Erickson
Sharon Shurson
Landon Goltz
17 Cheryl Bossard
Josh Schoulte
18 Charles Blong
19 Diana Henning
Teresa Doeppke
20 Brian Rodas
22 Kelly Huff
26 Kathy Klinge
Jeff Wheeler
27 Gary Pritchard
Tyler Kurth
28 Mickey Phillips
30 Vincent Schmidt

ALTAR GUILD COMMITTEE

June	Church cleaning
Cheryl Bossard	Sat. June 5th 8:30 am
Deb Tidwell	Meeting following

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Marlene Glawe	
Birthday	
June 3	Nadyne Reardon

June

11-12 NE Iowa Synod Convention Virtual Event

16 1:00 pm Unit Meeting

Thought for the Day: Shirley Marmann

Devotions: Bev Moon

Snack: Marlene Glawe

19 NEIA Women's Synodical Convention Wartburg

27 Youth Dinner 11:00 am- 12:30 pm



ACOLYTES

June 6 10:00 AM Landon Goltz

June 13 10:00 AM Kaylee Hoth

June 20 10:00 AM Adrianna Schoulte

June 27 10:00 AM Autumn Shaw

Thank You

We want to thank the church family for your prayers, concerns, messages and phone calls during the past several months, and the cards and memorials at the time of our loss of Dallas Thompson. Your kindness was very much appreciated.

The Marmann, Thompson and Rodas Families



June

9 Chris & Linda Schoulte

Vernice & Bev Moon

30 Pastor Harold & Linda McMillin

St. John Farmersburg Council Minutes

May 12, 2021

Present at meeting: Brad Hoth, Tammy Muller, Jeff Klinge, Zachary Radloff, Lindelle Scherf, John Suhr, and Tracey Phillips

Meeting called to order by President Zachary Radloff at 6:30 PM. Opening devotions were read by Tammy.

John moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Brad. Motion carried. Motion to approve the minutes of April 2021 meeting made by Jeff, seconded by Tracey. Motion Carried. Jeff moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by John.

Motion carried.

Lay Minister Report: Zach read a report from Jeremy. He is starting to do visits. New computer is set up in the church office. TV needs to be mounted in basement yet, will purchase a ceiling mount and install in June.

Old Business: Discussion on relaxing or lifting COVID restrictions. Tracey moved to continue with face masks and to put the hymnals back in the pews. Seconded by John. Motion carried. Discussion on funerals and funeral meals. John moved that meals could be served again in the basement. Catered meals are preferred. Seconded by Tracey. Motion carried. Council will again review all restrictions at the June meeting. Tammy will contact Women's group president about serving meals.

Scholarships: Lindelle checked into the amount left in the Fascher Scholarship account. We should have monies for 2-3 more Fascher scholarships.

New Business: Elevator was inspected on April 28.

Committee Reports:

Parish Ed-Classes have ended for the year. Special thanks to Loretta Weipert, Kelly Shaw, Lindelle Scherf & Ryan Moon for helping with Sunday School this year.

Property – Men's group will start removing old plexiglass on church windows soon.

The floor in the old schoolhouse building is in bad shape. It's soft and rotted.

Discussion on whether it was feasible to fix it or to replace the building. Do we need the storage space? If not, where do we store the items that are in the building?

Council will further investigate replacement costs and repair cost.

Worship- Summer worship time is 10:00 am.

Men's group – meeting planned for May 16

No reports from Evangelism, Youth group, Women's, Stewardship, and Memorial committees.

Motion to adjourn by John at 7:00 pm. Seconded by Tammy. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Tammy Muller, secretary

FARMERSBURG NEWS

April 2021 – Treasurer's Report

Income:

67.00(transferred from Evangelism-reimbursement for pizza)
 1474.00
 455.00
 945.00
 1410.00

Missions:

NE Iowa Synod: 265.00
 SOTH: 215.00
 EWALU: 35.00
 St. Pt. Home: 60.00
 LSI: 45.00
 Food Shelf: 100.00

Staff Compensation:

Pastor: 1169.33 + 528.70
 Portico:
 **Secretary: 200.00 (Gift Card Kwik Star) no longer accepting checks-
 still owe
 Inside Cust.: 209.22
 Outside Cust.: 120.05
 Organists: 138.52

Expenses:

Black Hills (gas): 208.01
 Alliant (elec): 206.80
 NEIT: 81.12
 United States Treas. 852.70 (1st Quarter Med. & SS)
 Jamie Tielbar 100.00 (parking lot snow removal, pd 1x yearly
 per council)
 Fisk's Farm & Home 64.18 (2 boxes of masks)
 Decorah Dry Cleaners 9.00 (Confirmation gown cleaned)

Total Income: 4351.00

Total Expenses: 4673.91

General Checking Balance – April 1, 2021 14,598.06
 April 30, 2021 14,275.15

Lindelle Scherf, Treasurer

Worship Attendance	
April	
2	37
4	47
11	24
18	28
25	35



DATE CHANGE
JUNE 20
10:00 AM



Thank you to Zoe Gerndt for sharing flowers in honor of her Graduation.

Thank you to the Confirmands
 Kyle Tilson, Isabelle Kirby & Autumn Shaw for the Altar
 flowers in honor of their Confirmation.

Thank you to Ethel Lenth and Nancy Moon for the garden and
 wild flowers arrangements for the Altar.

All flowers arrangements are welcome and appreciated.

LUANA

CHURCH SECRETARY & FINANCIAL TREAS.:

Karla Schrader

CHURCH COUNCIL:

President: Jim Meyer (23)

V. Pres: Duaine Davis (23)

Sec: Sonya Anderson (21)

Cur. Treas: Mary Schroeder (22)

Bene. Treas: Cindy Landt (21)

Financial Counters: Council

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Doug Schlein (21),

Janelle Smith (22),

Ervin Bugenhagen (22) &

Doug Schrader (23)

CUSTODIAN:

Cindy Landt

WELCA:

Pres: Betty Handke (20)

V. Pres: Anna Schroeder (20)

Sec: Marj Schrader

Treas: Linda Davis

Mission Action: Carol Goettler

ALTAR GUILD:

Pres: Sherri Johnson (23)

Sec: Darci Engelhardt (23)

Banners/Linens/Candles:

Mary Schroeder (21)

Lisa Meyer (22)

Special Services/Flowers:

Betty Handke (21)

Diane Kraus (22)

Bapt./Comm.:

Sherri Johnson

Darci Engelhardt

Seasonal Banners:

Altar Guild

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Treas: Ethan Goltz

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LUANA NEWS

Summer WORSHIP TIME

Summer Service Time schedule: 8:30 a.m.

Beginning June 6th the council voted to relax the covid 19 restrictions.

No Masks required but wear them if more comfortable doing so.

Still social distance still recommended

Communion will go back to normal on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

June

Greeters: Jeff & Janelle Smith

Read Lessons: June 6 – Luke Steege
June 13 – Loren Lenth
June 20 – Janelle Smith
June 27 – Karla Schrader

Acolyte: June 6 - Karsten Steege
June 13 – Dayne Anderson
June 20 – Kyle Tilson
June 27 – Ty Wikner

Altar Guild: Lisa Meyer

Flowers: Marj Schrader



4 – Darlene Moon
8 – Neil Landt
9 – Chad Davis
10 – Aaron Smith
14 – Margaret Mueller
25 – Juanita Mohs
29 – Kelsi Davis
Grace Doerring

LUANA NEWS



On Sunday, May 16 St John honored our 2021 Seniors- "You are loved always" Each senior received a quilt made by the ladies of the church & enjoyed a fellowship in their honor by the worship committee. Congratulations Myah Davis, Logan Engelhardt, Jordan Harnack, Braden Landt & Elena Schierholz & best wishes for your futures. God is always with you!

Class Motto: "We've had better days" Adam Simon

Class Flower: Rose

Class Song: "We will Rock You" – Queen

Class Colors: Grey & Maroon

Myah Davis (home schooled)

Parents: Chad & Annette Davis

Future Plans: Attend NICC

Logan Engelhardt

Parents: Paul & Darci Engelhardt

Future Plans: Work full time at L & M Truck Repair

Jordan Harnack

Parents: Tom & Becky Harnack

Future Plans: College is undecided but will stay working at Kwik Star.

Braden Landt

Parents: Travis & Sheri Landt

Future Plans: Attend Kirkwood College for Agricultural Geospatial Technology

Elena Schierholz

Parents: Jason Schierholz and Dawn Zweibohmer

Future Plans: Going to NICC and then transfer to Upper Iowa University to become an elementary teacher.

LUANA NEWS

APRIL TREASURER'S REPORT – 2021

Submitted by Karla Schrader

CURRENT FUND:

ENDING BAL. Mar. 31, 2021 6,492.60

INCOME

Apr. 4	1,205.00
Apr. 11	657.00
Apr. 18	947.00
Apr. 25	<u>937.00</u>
	3,746.00
Thrivent	<u>202.00</u>

3,948.00

TOTAL INCOME 10,440.60

EXPENSES

Black Hills Utilities –Nat. Gas	110.04
Alliant - Electricity	678.92
Karla Schrader –Secretary	330.91
Cindy Landt – Custodian	307.83
NEITEL	119.47
IRS	292.43
Jeremy Wolfe- April	1,169.33
Farm & Home - cust. Supplies	<u>31.52</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES 3,040.45

ENDING BAL. APR. 30, 2021 \$ 7,400.15

SPECIAL FUNDS

Ruby Breitsprecher CD	5,299.74
St John Scholarship Fund CD	40,076.87
Willard & Anne Kamin CD	4,240.61

FURNACE/RENT/REPAIR FUND

Balance Mar. 31, 2021	\$336,098.96
Interest	<u>303.87</u>
Bal. Apr. 30, 2021	\$336,402.83

BENEVOLENCE REPORT

Submitted by Cindy Landt

INCOME

Apr. 1	M. Thurs.	180.00
Apr. 2	Good Fri	50.00
Apr. 4	Easter	345.00
Apr. 11	Offering	26.00
	Food Shelf	10.00
Apr. 18	Offering	15.00
	Food Shelf	55.00
	Easter	5.00
Apr. 25	Offering	50.00
	Food Shelf	90.00
	FS Oper.	<u>50.00</u>
		\$1,001.00

EXPENSES

SOTH	130.00
Food Shelf	155.00
FS Operating	50.00
Synod	86.00
Lent	<u>580.00</u>
	\$1,001.00

Lent & Easter Food Shelf -	\$637.00
Lent & Easter SOTH -----	<u>637.00</u>
Total Lent & Easter	\$1,274.00

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	Att.	Comm
Apr. 25	39	
May 2	32	31
May 9	36	
May 16	58	
May 23	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>
TOTAL	203	69
AVERAGE	35	35



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*On the
Anniversary
of Your
Baptism*

1 - Diane Doerring
6 - Susan Mohs
Avrey Smith
14- Jean Wolter
18 - Doug Schlein
25 - Cayl Anderson
28 - Travis Landt
29 - Myah Davis



13 – Wayne & Sharon DeSotel
17 – Randy & Susan Mohs
30 – Stan & Dawn Dull

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN LUANA
Council Minutes
Sunday, May 9th, 2021

PRESENT: Duaine Davis, Mary Schroeder, Karla Schrader, Doug Schrader, Doug Schlein, Cindy Landt, Ervin Bugenhagen and Sonya Anderson. Jerry Schroeder present for investment discussion.

ABSENT: Lay Pastor Jeremy Wolfe, Jim Meyer, Janelle Smith.

Meeting called to order by Vice President Duaine Davis at 0750 am.

Devotions:

Read by Duaine Davis, reading submitted by Lay Pastor Jeremy Wolfe.

Secretary's Report:

Sonya Anderson read the Council minutes from April 11th, 2021. Ervin Bugenhagen made a motion to approve, and Doug Schrader seconded this. Motion carried.

Treasurers & Financial Report:

Reviewed by all Council present.

Mary Schroeder made a motion to accept, and Doug Schlein seconded this, motion carried.

Old Business:

Elevator Committee- Cindy Landt gave an update and will email others. Someone from the Building Committee will need to be present when the contractors are here. Will check with Farmersburg on the cost. A time will be set up. Cindy will update at next month's meeting.

Parsonage Roof--No news yet. Doug Schlein will talk to Wes Heying again. Duaine Davis will call Chad and Cyrus to see about looking at water leak in the attic.

Green Lawn Care sprayed the church and cemetery lawn, but not the parsonage. Ervin will contact them to complete the next time they are in the area.

Synod Assembly registration is due on Monday, and no one has volunteered to attend. Jeremy Wolfe is going as a visitor. Will announce in church today for volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Start unlocking front or side church door daily. Cindy Landt and Karla Schrader will oversee this. If they are gone, they will let Schroeder's know to lock/unlock.

June 1st, 2021, masks will be optional to wear in church. Lift COVID-19 restrictions: Hymnals will be placed out, communion up front, stand during prayers etc. Schedule for communion servers will need to be completed. Cindy Landt made a motion to accept this, and Mary Schroeder seconded this, motion carried.

Cindy Landt asked about getting an exterminator to come to the church to spray for bugs/spiders. She will check to see who Farmersburg uses. This was approved.

Time change in June for church service starts June 6th at 8:30am.

Jerry Schroeder discussed an Investment Committee. Jerry S. and Duaine Davis will be on this. Will see if Betty Handke will be on this committee. Discussed Thrivent Financial and a representative from the Decorah office will come to speak with the Investment Committee.

Next Meeting: June 13th, 2021 @ 730 am.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 0840 am by Sonya Anderson and seconded by Doug Schrader. Motion carried.

The Lord's Prayer was led by everyone upon closing of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Sonya Anderson, Secretary

BOTH CHURCHES NEWS



Congratulations to our Confirmands - Kyle Tilson, Isabelle Kirby & Autumn Shaw on Affirming their Baptism during worship this morning! Each Confirmand shared a Statement of Faith with their family, sponsors and our congregations



My name is Kyle Tilson and I'm asking to be confirmed as a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Confirmation was an opportunity for me to affirm myself, the promises that my parents, sponsors, and the congregation made for me at my baptism. I believe that confirmation is learning the true meaning of God, but to also be a Christian in the Lutheran Church. I still believe that Jesus paid the price for my sins and forgives me. He has been there for me in both good and bad times. The church is a place where I can meet God. I would like to join this church and take my faith with me. My job in church is to always love God and be grateful for the blessings he has placed upon me. Pastor Harold and Linda, Becky and Heather, and now Jeremy have all assisted me in learning and understanding biblical stories, the small catechism, and much more during my two years of confirmation. My favorite bible verse Isaiah 41:10 So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. This means that no matter what happens, God will always be there to help me.

After confirmation I will continue to grow my faith as I study God's word, hear his message Sunday mornings. Yet learn songs and prayers through my use of them. Thank you.

My name is Isabelle Kirby and I'm asking to be confirmed as a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. I want to be confirmed because I would want to live my life knowing that I'm Christian and went through the process of learning more about God, Jesus, and more. I believe that Jesus has done a lot for me. Died for my sins, listened to my prayers when I needed him most, and Jesus has been by my side since as long as I can remember. The church is something I wanted to be a part of. The church is a place where I can really connect with God. Becoming a member of the church would keep me set. Understanding and keeping the faith and honesty I have for the church and my role. I've learned plenty from Linda and Harold from the start. Especially Heather, Becky and now Jeremy. All of these people have helped me understand God, Jesus, The Holy Spirit, bible stories, the death behind Jesus and much more. All of these things have made me realize how everything came to place and now I want to earn my place as a member of this church. My favorite bible verse is 1 Corinthians 13:4-5, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs." This verse has stuck with me ever since I found it in the Bible one day as I was going through the pages. It tells me that love is something that's patient and kind and its pros and cons.



What is Baptism?

Autumn Shaw

Baptism marks the beginning of your spiritual journey. Baptism is a public declaration of one's commitment to the Christian faith. When you are baptized, you are usually smaller, like an infant. Baptism marks the beginning of a lifelong relationship between God and everyone else. Baptism can provide forgiveness of sins as well as protection from evil. It may also have the power to make choices for itself, which would be beneficial to me in the future.

I'm seeking confirmation as a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Here's what I do because I want to live my life as a Christian. I believe that Jesus died for my sins and that my salvation is based on my faith in him. I want to be a member of the church because it is a gathering of God's people. I'd like to become a member of this church, and then I'd like to keep my faith everywhere I go. My position in the church is to love God and to serve others by using the gifts that God has given upon me.

I'd like to show my thankfulness to Pastor Harold and Linda as well as Jeremy, Heather & Becky for supporting me on this journey. We've shared so many memories, and I'll cherish them for the rest of my life. I'd also like to express my gratitude to my parents for assisting me in studying for all of the exams over the last two years. I'd also like to express my gratitude to my godparents, Brett Hoth as well as Nick and BJ. Thank you for all you've taught me, and I'll always appreciate it

Memories

We went to lock in the first year, and it was a lot of fun to meet new people and play a lot of games. Unfortunately, due to covid, we were unable to travel the next year. I've had a great time with these people over the last two years. And I'm grateful for all everyone has done for me!

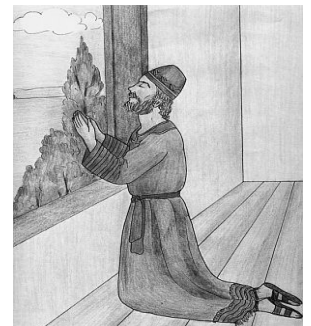
"We love because he first loved us." – 1 John 4:19



Bible
STUDY
Join us!

Tuesday June 1st @ 1:30 pm.

WELCA bible study at Luana. We have been studying Book of Daniel. Special emphasis on chapters 5&6 for June. All are welcome.




Pies will be needed for the Youth Ice Cream Social on June 27. Signup sheets will be at the churches or call Heather Crogan.

SUMMER
ice cream
sunshine
FLIP FLOPS
lemonade
BARE FEET
vacation
MEMORIES

BOTH CHURCHES NEWS





MFL MAR MAC will be offering summer meals again this summer. We will deliver to Farmersburg, Luana, McGregor and Monona. Meals begin on June 7. Check the MFL Mar Mac web site and the Facebook page for the route stops and times. The routes will run Mondays and Wednesdays with both breakfast and lunch for multiple days. If you have any questions, you can call the school 563-539-4795.



FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY, JUNE 6TH

Clayton County Food Shelf

Box #48 – St. Olaf, IA 52072

Monday – Friday: 9-Noon 1 – 4:00 pm

Ph #563-783-7794 Utoni Ruff, Director

FOOD ITEMS:

CURRENT NEEDS ARE:

Canned Fruit, Boxed dinners, Macaroni & Cheese etc., Jelly, String cheese, Fresh fruit, Fruit cups

NON-FOOD - ALWAYS NEED:

Toilet paper, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Laundry & Dish Soap, Bar Soap

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Randy Mohs, Ken Kishman, Joan Shurtleff, Sharon DeSotel, Marion Olson, Rick Conley, Jerome Schultz, Roger Meuleman, Jim Moellers, Preston Landt, Claudia Anderson, Bunny Fox, Misty Hughes, Keith Lee, Dawson Spiker, Greg & Lisa Snitker, Dallas Tielbar, Luke Baade, Olga Tidwell, RoseMary Tielbar, Joan Oelke, Imogene Ihlenfeldt, Shannon Nelson, Shelby Preston, Laverne Krambeer, Jim Fuelling

MILITARY: Avrey Smith, Ali Crogan, Andrew Rodas & Beth Rodas

STONE BROOK VILLAGE: Elaine Gehring

ELKADER CARE CENTER: LuNida Landt, Vila Schroeder, Nadyne Reardon

STRAWBERRY POINT: Russ Pate

GARDEN VIEW PLACE: Sharon DeSotel, Shirley Henkes

GREAT RIVER CENTER MCGREGOR: Mae Mueller

PRAIRIE MAISON PDC. WI: Imogene Ihlenfeldt

ASSISTED LIVING ROCHESTER, MN 55901: Dorothy Kluth

HOMEBOUND: Mary Russett, Mae Mueller, JoAnn Meyer, LuNida Landt; Glenda Henkes; and Lee Klinkenberg



Shepherd of the Hills Ministries NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2021



CLOTHING CENTER

The Clothing Center remains open for our clients/families and regular shoppers, **NO APPT NEEDED!!** The CDC updated the guidelines for wearing masks indoors if vaccinated. At this time, **MASKS WILL STILL NEED TO BE WORN** in the Clothing Center, as we do not know who is or is not vaccinated, nor can we ask!

Donations continue **BY APPT ONLY!** Donations we are most in need of – Summer Clothing, Men's Jeans, Pots/Pans & Bed Sheets in all sizes! As traffic, increases, the donation policy will change!

Highlights within the Conference,

Synod & Future Leaders

The Shepherd Board would like to begin highlighting all the good things happening across our Conference & Synod, including getting to know the process of shaping our Future Leaders of our Churches! There are some "future" mission opportunities on the horizon, 3 current TEEM - Seminars in/near our conference, 1 student in conference committed to the 3+3 Accelerated Learning Program along with other great events happening!

We already have a couple topics in mind to cover in upcoming newsletters, however, please connect with Heather in the Office if you would like to share the great things happening! Typically, the space allotted will be like the box to the right.

Back to School 4 Kids

Our next project coming up August 11th, assisting our families with getting school supplies for heading back to school. In the past, we have geared supplies to all of the school districts within Clayton County! Last year, the "School Supply List" was a little more streamlined, with 1 list, which includes all school age children Pre K – 12th grade. We encouraged all families to check over the supplies they received from SOTH with their school list, for any additional supplies they may still be in need of!

Donations of Basic School Supplies will be accepted starting July 19th, 2021 in preparation of this great project. Monetary donations may be sent to the office: PO Box 36, Saint Olaf, IA 52072.

Supplies typically **most in need:**

Pencil Box or Bag
Pencils
Erasers (pencil top & regular)
Glue Sticks
Scissors (blunt & pointed)
Dry Erase Markers
Highlighters
Washable Markers (regular & thin line)
Colored Pencils
Loose Leaf Paper (wide & narrow)
Tablets (narrow & wide)
Composition Books (wide & narrow)
Folders (plastic & regular)
Headphones/Earbuds
Usb Flash Drive
Scientific Calculator

Thank you for the continued support of this project!!!

Shepherd of the Hill's Needs:

The **Operating Fund** pays the utilities, insurance on the building, supplies and salary for the Director, Lawn/Snow Care.

The **Crisis Fund** is used to help families in need with rent, utilities or fuel assistance.

Please utilize the **MEMO LINE** on your check to specify **Crisis or Operating Fund!**

IMPORTANT DATES:

August 11th
Back to School 4 Kids
Pickup up Supplies
9am – 5pm

Any event may be subject to change

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BOTH CHURCHES NEWS

June 2021, LSI Bulletin/Newsletter Article and Story

Happy Father's Day!

At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we strive to build up and empower Iowa kids and families. For us, Father's Day is a time to celebrate all the fathers and male role models we see every day.

Through our Early Childhood Services, young men are learning to become dads. They're becoming confident and active in their child's life, and they are creating loving, bright futures for their families.

Many Iowa children entering foster care need a positive male role model in their lives. And through LSI Foster Care and Adoption, our licensed foster dads are there to help guide them.

This is only possible through your support of LSI! If you would like to make a gift, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065.

Thank you for responding to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service!

Finding Paradise

Perseverance is a familiar quality for Mon, who after spending decades living as a refugee from an early age was recently able to place roots in Iowa and succeed in building a life for his family.

After living in a Nepali refugee camp for almost 24 years, Mon's family was able to resettle in the U.S. When they arrived in Iowa, they moved directly into a tiny apartment. But the single room was not sufficient for their family – especially once their youngest daughter was born. They stayed in the apartment for four years, but Mon was determined to create a better home for his family.

Mon secured housing for his family through the Habitat for Humanity program, and through LSI Refugee and Immigrant Services, he was able to get on track and save and earn money towards his goal of homeownership. With guidance from staff in LSI's Match and Save financial program, he was able to open a savings account and develop a monthly savings plan.

Mon and his family moved into their new home last year, and he said LSI and Habitat for Humanity were critical steps in helping him learn about U.S. finances and savings – lessons that will pay off during his journey as a homeowner.

"I felt very sad when I left my country," Mon says. "I felt as if I lost my paradise. But when I got the key and when I entered my house, I felt that I regained my lost paradise. So that was the happiest moment in my life and right now, I, my family, and kids are super happy to live in this new house."

