

THE SCROLL

Prairie Lutheran Parish Newsletter

June 2017



As Bethlehem Lutheran Church, our mission through Jesus Christ is to serve the world, both across the globe and just outside our front door. We seek to be a place of good soil, where the seeds of faith can grow.



As Knife River Lutheran Church, our mission is to actively spread God's Word and shining light with unrelenting fortitude, through the work of our women, men, young people, and little children. We seek to be a bright spot on the prairie, to be an island of peace and light in a chaotic world.

As Faith Lutheran Church, our mission is to meet the needs of brothers and sisters in Christ through active listening, daily worship, and service to the family of God. We seek to be the family of God, where different people come together for the sake of Jesus Christ.



As American Lutheran Church, our mission is to worship Jesus and minister to the community of Stanley. Our purpose as people is to praise God and to live out love for our neighbors. We seek to have open doors and open hearts; to be a people and a place of peace, love, and welcome.



Prairie Lutheran Parish

Four Congregations gathered into One Parish

9:00 am Sunday Worship

Bethlehem
Lutheran
Ross

Knife River
Lutheran

Hwy 8 South of Stanley

(701) 628-2550

PrairieLutheranParish.org

10:30 am Sunday Worship

American
Lutheran
Stanley

Faith
Lutheran
Palermo



From Our Pastor Carter's Thoughts

This summer the Bible Camp's theme is title "The Water of Life." I am currently at Camp of the Cross where I will be a part of a continuing education event for the next few days, but I agreed to come a little early so I could teach one day of the camp's Bible study to the staff. The text is Jesus being baptized. Which will take us into a deep discussion about baptism I am sure. Questions about why we baptize infants instead of adults, or about whether baptism is necessary for salvation or not, and I am sure so many more. Although I am nervous, as I have only officially been a "real" pastor for two days now, I know that it will be a conversation full of life for both myself and for the staff.

The text for the day comes from Mark.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with^[1] water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Jesus's ministry begins with baptism. According to the Gospel of Mark baptism was the foundation of Christ's ministry. The decades of Jesus' life that came before his

baptism didn't seem to matter much to this author, for what mattered most, was baptism. Which is a simple, profound affirmation of God's. There is much to come still in Jesus' life and ministry, some of it extremely joyful, other parts that are exceedingly difficult, and some elements that are without a doubt incredibly painful. Which is why these words are so very important.

Of course, we really have no idea what was in Jesus' mind as he came to the water to be baptized. The gospels are short on reporting Jesus' own feelings about his baptism. Whether he was anxious or at peace, excited or hesitant, curious or confident. We really don't know. What we do know is that in these words Jesus is given his identity. He discovers *who* he is in relation to *whose* he is.

And guess what: the same is true for us. In Holy Baptism, God claims us as God's own, calls us God's beloved child, and promises to be both with us and for us forever. And, like Jesus, this is an important way to begin our life and ministry as well. Because much is in front of us also. Some of it will be joyful, and other parts difficult, even painful. And so at the outset of our Christian life and mission, God says the same thing to each of us. "You are my beloved child, and with you I am well pleased."

Ordination Thank You!

Thank you to all of those that came to my ordination! It was great to see so many faces from all four of the congregations! Also a huge thank you for the beautiful flowers, and for the beautiful stoles. You are such generous and caring people! I can't wait to see where the Spirit leads us together. Set aside July 30th! We will worship together at American for the 5th Sunday of the Month and will be joined by Bishop Mark Narum and Sherie Heine, Assistant to the Bishop, to celebrate my instillation as your pastor.

Carter

Reference: David Lose. In the Meantime. Baptism. 2012.

Gospel Seeds - June 2017

A Monthly Update from the Western North Dakota Synod Office



Bishop Mark Narum

With Joy and Thanksgiving!

Three young people who call Western North Dakota home have been selected to serve as Young Adults in Global Mission this year. YAGM's spend a year serving as missionaries in locations around the world. The three are: Christian Aardahl (Faith Lutheran, Bismarck), Molly Haagenenson (Gloria Dei, Williston) and Krista Mathistad (Bethany, Minot).

At Synod Assembly, we will have a brief service of blessing and sending for these three. We will also raise prayers of thanksgiving for two Western North Dakota young adults who have recently completed their YAGM service: Carrie Sandstrom (Good Shepherd, Bismarck) and Solveig Stenslie (Heart River Lutheran, Mandan).

Each person accepted to serve as a YAGM must raise \$5,000 to be a part of the program. The Synod Office is willing to collect funds from any individual or congregation who would like to help support these three young people. If you send a donation, please indicate it is for the YAGM participants.

Discernment Retreat...

With so many voices vying for our attention, how do we learn to listen to the voice of God? Matt O'Rear, staff person at one of our seminaries, will spend time sorting through some of the predominant voices competing for our attention - voices that stake a claim on who we should be, what we should value, and what makes us happy. We will spend time thinking about the voice of God which lays claim on our lives and how following that call might help us find a sense of purpose, meaning, and even joy.

This retreat is designed to assist those who are wondering if God may be calling them to leadership as a pastor, deacon or another leadership role within their own congregation or synod. Bishop Mark Narum and staff will also be present for conversations about candidacy and opportunities to serve throughout the church.

The retreat is planned for June 23-24 at Camp of the Cross near Garrison. Visit the synod website to register.

No More Volunteers!

I want to challenge you to remove the word "volunteer" from your church's vocabulary. Instead, I want to encourage a conversation around the way people have been given incredible gifts. Instead of volunteers to prepare and serve meals at church, we should think of them as ministers of hospitality. A meal served following a funeral is a gift, prepared and served by those with special talents. The conversation which flows over that meal is a healing balm for a grieving family.

Those who step up to work with youth are more than volunteers - they are individuals with special gifts of patience, relationship building, the wisdom to listen to a good question and ask more questions in return. This is important ministry which helps young people grow in faith. While it may sound insignificant to change the language we use, it can be very profound - especially if we take the time to engage people in conversation about their passions and gifts. Once they have been identified, then further conversation can help identify ways these gifts and passions can be used to love and care for the neighbor. That is ministry at its very best.

A Time For Creativity...

We continue to experience a significant number of pastoral openings across our synod. We are thankful for the congregations who are thinking creatively about new ways to provide Christ-centered Word and Sacrament Ministry in their communities.

-A group of fourteen congregations in the very southwest part of our synod are having a conversation about what a cooperative ministry would look like in their area. About two years ago, conversations among this grouping of congregations lead to the creation of an area-wide Bible study with eighteen participants.

-Another congregation in our synod has two people who will be entering seminary while serving their congregation.

-A congregation on the western edge of the synod is taking the first steps toward a conversation with one of our ecumenical partners about a shared ministry which will benefit both congregations.

What opportunities for creative ministry will be next? Who knows? We are only limited by our imaginations and our willingness to experiment. We continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's nudges.

Rev. Mark Narum

Serving as Bishop of the Western North Dakota Synod

**Western North Dakota Synod Assembly - Grand Hotel, Minot, ND
June 2-3, 2017**

The Synod Assembly is the annual gathering of all 172 congregations of the Western North Dakota Synod Assembly. We gather together for worship, education, celebration, and to do the business of this synod.

Any member of any congregation of the Western North Dakota Synod is invited to register and participate in synod assembly. Each congregation elects lay voting members based on their baptized membership numbers. All other (non-delegate) members are invited to register as visitors to the assembly and may participate in all aspects of the assembly including worship, workshops, presentations, meals, etc.; however, visitors do not have voice or vote in elections or business items on the assembly agenda. Rostered ministers (pastors and ELCA deacons) who hold a letter of call from a congregation or synod council, as well as retired rostered leaders also have voice and vote in the assembly plenary sessions. Attendance at the assembly is expected of all rostered leaders under call. Register at: <http://wndsynod.org/synod-assembly/>
The information needed by your congregation's delegates is available at this website. Please take time to review prior to the assembly.



**Synodical Women's Convention
June 16-17**

The Women of the ELCA Western ND Synodical Convention is coming soon! The Theme for this biennial gathering is "Under His Wings" (Psalm 91:4) and we'll gather at the Grand Hotel in Minot. Our synodical board is planning an inspiring and purposeful two days. There are a variety of awareness sessions to choose from including an early awareness session on Friday morning! Shar Gumke from eastern ND will be the keynote speaker and Marv Mutzenberger will be the banquet entertainer. [Register Now!](#)

Early registration deadline is June 1st. Contact your WELCA president for more information. (Synod E-News May 3, 2017)



Senior Companion Services for Stanley Area

There has been continued interest in development of the Senior Companion Services in the Stanley area. If you would like to review what this program is about you may look at it in the January 2017 Scroll newsletter.

Don't have that issue of The Scroll any longer? Remember that our Scrolls are on our website: prairielutheranparish.org. Click on the tab "News & Events" then click on the tab "Newsletter."

LUTHER 500 - SAVE THE DATE

Synodwide Worship Service - Sunday October 29, 2017 - 11 a.m. - Christians from across Western North Dakota are invited to gather at the Bismarck Civic Center Sunday, October 29, 2017 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. A Festival Worship is planned for 11:00AM at the Bismarck Civic Center to commemorate this historic event and pray for God's guidance as we seek to be faithful, Christ-centered witnesses into the future.

Rev. Mark Narum, who serves as Bishop of the Western North Dakota Synod says, "This is a once in a life time event for most of us. I encourage all congregations across the synod to consider making this their Sunday morning worship for this one Sunday." Bishop Narum went on to say, "It is not often that we get a chance to come together and provide a united Lutheran witness to God's grace, love and mercy which comes to us through the risen Christ."

Teams are at work now planning the festival worship service. Included in the day will be choirs and bells performing glorious music. Holy Communion will be celebrated this day. Plan now for your congregation to attend and participate.

Mountrail County Food Pantry a locally supported ministry

Our food pantry served 41 families in April, providing 4407 pounds of food. Of the 137 people that were helped, 61 were children and 16 were seniors. We received a very uplifting card from the White Earth WELCA, (as well as a donation J). The card made our day!! Thank you!! We have posted it on our bulletin board for encouragement on the busy days. ☺ Speaking of busy days, we have had some doozies. And I wanted to pause for a moment to recognize the dedication of our volunteers. They show up without fail every Monday, and if they can't, they find another kind hearted soul to fill in for them. They stock shelves, load and unload donations from Cashwise (Thank you, Cashwise!!) and tirelessly serve the clients that come to our food pantry. When the delivery truck comes once a month, they are there....directing our loyal crew of unloading volunteers as to where to put each box, and after the unloading is done, where to stock each item on our shelves. And they do all of this, with laughter and with grace. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful team of volunteers. You deserve a gigantic thank you, as conveyed by the words of gratitude written in a card that now adorns our bulletin board. ☺ God bless you for your service. ☺ And may God bless the compassionate, caring people that are everywhere around us, every day of our life. There is much to be thankful for. ☺ *Mary*

Mountrail County Food Pantry
PO Box 39, Stanley, ND 58784

Join us!



What do we do at LYO?

At LYO, we use our Wednesday nights to come together, eat, talk and laugh. We also share in our highs and lows for the week, work through a couple of activities/games and discussions. Before closing, we have a brief prayer time before we leave.

All 7th-12th graders are welcome to participate in LYO



Love.



Instagram: prairielutheranparishlyo
Facebook: Prairie Lutheran Parish



Serve.

Jeremiah 29:11-14 *For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the LORD....*

LYO June News

Eden Cuypers, Youth Leader

It's summer time! The end of the school year also brings a change in our LYO activities. We are moving from a weekly Wednesday evening schedule to a once-a-month event where we can do a few bigger things than during the school year.

The LYO kids have decided that they want to spend some time at the trampoline park, playing laser tag, and having a lock-in. We will have one event in June, one in July, and one before school begins again in August.

Our first event will be on **Tuesday, June 13th** with a back-up date of Wednesday, June 21st. Any changes with summer events will be shared through the Scroll, the parish Facebook page, email and text messages for students and their families.

We also have an update about our preparation for the National Youth Gathering in June 2018. We have 15 kids, 4 adults, as well as Carter and myself set for the trip. By the fall, we will have those people locked in because we will start registering all of our participants! Parents and families have been very supportive and helpful with different parts of preparing for the trip as well. I'm really excited to see all of the ways they will grow next year through this experience!

If you have any questions about any aspect of LYO, please contact me through email, call or text



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American Lutheran Quilters Report May 2016 to May 2017

The ALC quilters had another busy year and assembled 116 quilts. Thanks to the ladies who come on Mondays to do his mission work. Also thanks to those who donated material, memorials and money for quilts and kits. We thank everyone who came and helped pack our kits and quilts. Special thanks to Jerome Lautenschlager for taking these quilts and kits to Motor Express in Minot.

Summary of yearly projects (May 2016 to May 2017)

We gave three quilts to Heart River Correction School in Mandan, one to Pastors Rory and Carolyn, three to each of the camps, Epping and Metigoshe Bible Camps and Camp of the Cross. We gave one for the Bethel Home Bazaar and one for the Christmas Tree Children's gift. Three Christmas quilts were given for a spaghetti dinner auction and money was given to Metigoshe Bible Camp for their kitchen project.

We made 15 denim quilts for the ALC high school graduates and sent 83 quilts to Lutheran World Relief, 7 blankets, 5 fabric kits, 15 baby care kits, 14 school kits and 18 personal care kits.

Carol Hanson, Mission Action
Lutheran World Relief



Metigoshe Ministries Day Camp
is back at ALC by popular request.



Kids come and join us and see just how great it is; fun-worship-games-snacks-singing and crafts. Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. June 19-23 for youth entering 1st—6th grades. As in the past a free will offering will be taken at the program to offset the cost of day camp. Parents please pack a sack lunch for your children. Registration 8:30 Monday (6/19)

Recent Baptisms in the Parish

American Lutheran

May 7, 2017

Masen Parker Hysjulien

son of Brian & Traci

Confirmation Bible Camp

June 25-30th and this year the rotation is to the Camp of the Cross
[https://www.campofthecross.com/](https://www.campofthecross.com/Register)
Register on line.

Carter will be at the Camp of the Cross from June 25 to June 30. You may reach him by cell phone with pastoral emergencies.

Communion Services

We will have communion on the following Sundays in June:

6/04: Knife River & Faith

6/11: American & Bethlehem

6/18: Knife River & Faith

Pulpit Supply for May

Thank you to the following for providing pulpit supply in May: Kathy Paulson, Pastor Dan Paulson, Sarah Sorenson, Don Longmuir. Also thanks to Katie Sandeen, Sarah Sorenson & Lesley Trulson, for doing children's sermons.

Church Office

John will also be out of the office the week of June 19. However there will be someone in the office to assist you.

Recent Funerals in the Parish

Robert LeRoy Enger

5/10/17-Graveside Service

at Rest Haven, Palermo

Harold Morton "Skip" Fretheim

5/18/17-Graveside Service

at Rosehill, Ross

Dennis James Zietz

5/22/17-Funeral at American

Installation of Our Pastor

July 30th at 10:30

Mark your calendar on the last Sunday of July for the installation of Carter Hill as pastor of the Prairie Lutheran Parish.

Growing in Faith To Serve

Our next meeting is June 14th at 10:00 at ALC. Please note we have changed from Monday to Wednesday. All are welcome to participate in our Bible Study.

The next scheduled GIFTS event is LifeKeys with Beth Anderson in Bismarck, September 22-23. You won't want to miss this one! It is fun and you'll learn much!

Together-4-Prayer

Will meet June 1st at 9:30 at Thompson's. All are welcome to join us!

Parish Men's Bible Study

Men of the parish are invited to join us each Thursday, 8:00 a.m. Centennial Court Bible Study.

Sunday Worship
Schedule:
Bethlehem: 9:00
Knife River: 9:00
American: 10:30
Faith: 10:30

Happy Father's Day!

June 18

JUNE 2017



Flag Day is June 14



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Regular Weekly Activities</u> 10:00 A.M. AlAnon on Saturdays at ALC 8:00 P.M. A.A. on Mondays & Fridays at ALC				1 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court 9:30 Together-4-Prayer VBS at Knife River Synod Assembly	2 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i>	3
4 Sunday Worship! Bethlehem potluck and spring church clean-up ALC Potluck dinner	5 ALC 10:00 Quilting	6 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study at Centennial Court 2:00 Faith Aft Bible Study	7 3:00 Faith Eve Bible Study	8 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court 2:00 Faith WELCA 8pm Bethlehem Council	9 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> 8 a.m. Bethlehem fixes hair at Bethel	10
11 Sunday Worship! 11:30 ALC WELCA	12 ALC 10:00 Quilting	13 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study 6:30 ALC Council 6:30 LYO & meal	14 10:00 GIFTS	15 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court	16 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> WELCA Synodical Convention	17
18 Sunday Worship! Father's Day	19	20 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study	21	22 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court	23 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> 8 a.m. American fixes hair at Bethel Noon - Scroll deadline	24 Metigoshe Bible Camp Quilt Auction
VBS at American Lutheran						
25 Sunday Worship! or join Carter at Camp of the Cross - 10 a.m. 11:30 White Serving Grp at ALC	26 ALC 10:00 Quilting	27 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study	28	29 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court 1:00 Scroll Assembly by Faith	30 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> Carter with the confirmation class at Camp of the Cross	

American Lutheran Church



Open doors-open hearts. Join us for worship.

A big thank you to Gene and Jerome for helping the quilters pack, tie, label and take the boxes to Minot. Quilters you did a great job! The quilters will give a denim quilt to each ALC graduate when the cake is served before worship service on May 28th. The quilters will continue to meet on Mondays thru the summer. Come as able.

WELCA meeting will be held June 11th at 11:30 a.m. after worship. Women come and enjoy coffee with us as we begin some planning for the fall event.

WELCA is also supporting the prom and after graduation party again this year.

Enjoy your summer.

Marilyn, WELCA President

Our graduates were honored on Sunday, May 28th with cake served before worship. Congratulations Seniors (and parents)!

ALC Council meets Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 19-23. (See the specifics on page 11 in this issue of the Scroll.)

The council has appointed Jim Trana, Steve Springan and Don Longmuir to begin developing plans for the landscaping of the north side of the church. If you have ideas, now is the time to speak up. More information to come as plans are developed.

Thank you Jim and Susie for the new planters and beautiful flowers in front of our church.

Remember that Michelle's hours are set at 8-12:00 M-Tues-F and 7-11:00 Thurs & Friday. Plan ahead and get your meeting on the calendar outside the parish door to ensure the church is unlocked. Also remember to lock the church doors after your meeting.

Thanks to Kaye Nordloef and her helpers, Marilyn Evenson, Marlene Grabow and Connie Essler for cleaning the parsonage before Carter & Kayla moved in. With all the remodeling and cleaning it looks like a brand new home inside! Thanks! An open house will be scheduled later for everyone to see the newly remodeled parsonage.

Thank you to the WELCA who cleaned the kitchen, sacristy and fellowship hall. Everything looks so nice and clean again!

Thank you to Jim, Roger and Gary who came and cleaned the janitors room and the storage shed. They look great!

A big thank you to the men who came and did church yard work. Mowing will be done by Kaedyn Hanson this summer. Thanks Kaedyn



ALC Serving Groups - Also see the church bulletin board

	White Group Serves in July	Red Group Serves in June
June 2017 Red Serving Group	Nancy Brown	Rudy & Ardyce Alvstad
July 2017 White Serving Group	Ken & Cleo Bykonen Yanci Crider	Annie Baumann Wayne & Konni Bohrer
August 2017 Blue Serving Group	Rod & Connie Essler * Zach & Erin Essler	Arlo & Faye Borud * Brad Borud
September 2016 Gold Serving Group	Brad & Amy Farhart Maren Feiring	David & Tammi Colbenson Jeff & Karen Colbenson
October 2017 Green Serving Group	Heather Greenlee Gene & Carol Hanson *	Brett & Lindsey Ellvanger Jerome Erie
November 2017 Purple Serving Group	Kelly Hanson Kyle & Marianne Hanson	Rhonda Erie Julie Erie
December 2017 Red Serving Group	Nichole Janz Hoffert Dale & Mary Kilen	Michelle Gamble Aaron Gandrud
January 2018 Rotation of Groups	Don & Verlee Kjoson Quintin & Heather Lee Wally Lee	Lynn & Marlene Grabow * Dan & Katie Harwood Pat Jensen
Sound System	Don & Connie Longmuir Marichel Mariscal	Lynn & Carol Mehus Gary & Jenette Nelson
Jake Hellman 1st	David & Renae Minton	Scott & Dawn Nelson
Don Longmuir 2nd	Mark & Sheila Morgan	Phil & Cassandra Petz
Gary Nordloef 3rd	Dave & Barb Nesheim	Cory & Jamie Rice
Jeff Colbenson 4th	Deloris Oja	Scott & Jackie Rudolph
Jake Hellman 5th	Gordon & Connie Patten	Austin & Abi Vachal
Power Point	Tom & Akela Raile	Beau & Kim Vachal
Projectionists	Chad & Sarah Rismon	Lowell & Judy Vedaa
Katie/Sarah 1st	Jane Rismon	
Kelly/Dawn 2nd	Brent Rodenhizer	
Gary/Kaye 3rd	Bruce Rodenhizer	
Jeff/Karen 4th	Alex & Katie Sandeen	
Jake Hellman 5th	Tom & Betty Simmers	
June Acolytes	Cliff & Judy Skaar	
1. Leighton T.	Tanya Skaar	
2. Cooper D.	Korey & Valerie Stammen	
Communion	Jim & Tara Swegarden	
1. Not selected	Arden & Janis Thompson	
	Cristi Trulson	

* = Chair/Vice Chair of Group

Thank you to our serving group chair persons and vice chair persons. We appreciate all you do!



Serving Groups - Serving forms are placed in the folder beside the bulletin board. Tasks are on the back side of the serving form. If you have questions please visit with your Serving Group chairperson. Thank you for serving our congregation.



Communion Assistants
June 11th: Not selected



June Coffee/Greeters:

*June 4: Sara & Matt
June 11: Allen & Debbie
June 18: Gus & Crystal
June 25: Jamie & Pam*

Ushers: Kurt & Lesley

If you are unable to serve on a Sunday, please find a replacement. Thank you!

~ Congratulations to Pastor Carter on your ordination to the ministry Word and Sacrament on May 21st! God's blessings to you on your ministries ahead.

~Thanks to all who helped Pastor Carter and Kayla move their belongings from Minot to Stanley.

~Church clean up planned for June 4th after morning worship. Please bring a dish to pass as we will have potluck dinner around noon.

~Next council meeting June 8th @ 8pm.

~ At the May council meeting, council moved to share monies from the mission outreach line with the following: Personal care and hygiene kits to be distributed through the Mountrail County domestic violence unit, relief for farmers and ranchers affected by the fires in Kansas and surrounding areas, and the Minot Area Homeless Coalition.

~The past several years our church has participated in the Sweet Deal for CAR by taking M&M tubes and returning them filled with coins or dollars. This year instead of returning with dollars, they were returned with prayers for the people of CAR. Our council budgeted this year, \$20,000 to be shared with our companion synod. Thanks be to God, what a gift! There will be updates at a later date as to how these funds will be used by the CAR.

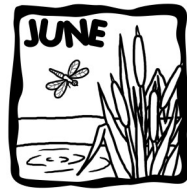
~Remember to turn in your child's camp receipt to Jamie for reimbursement!

Thank you to all of the Sunday school youth and families for another wonderful school year learning about, and living out, Christ's love! Our year kicked off with Rally Sunday where we created a fingerprint cross during worship. We studied the books of the Old Testament, memorized the 10 commandments, put on a great Christmas program, led worship for the Bethel home, grew worship leadership skills by reading and assisting in worship, and shared our offering by purchasing food for the food pantry, and got a new and improved Sunday School classroom! What a year! Have a fantastic, fun-filled summer!

Thanks to Pam and Breann for teaching Sunday School again this year, and thanks to Susan for organizing our 2nd Sunday leadership roles.

Barb





Fun in the Sun!

Congratulations to Pastor Hill on his ordination on May 21. God Bless him and his wife on that special day and always.

Our congratulations to Blaine & Kayelee Hamers as Remingtynn Rae was baptized on April 23 at Faith Lutheran. Sponsor were Trysta Chavez and Kyle Johnson. Grandparents: Tammy & Brian Hamers and great grandparents, Chet and the late Ellen Hamers and Chester and the late Florence Johnson. Big brother Holdenn will have a little sister to play with eventually.

June 2 & 3 Synod assembly in Minot. Our delegates are Iva and Debbie.

June 6 the Afternoon Bible Study will meet at 2:00 at the church. Darlene is the hostess along with a group study.

June 7 the Evening Bible Study will meet at the home of Vicki as hostess at 3:00 along with a group study.

June 8 WELCA meets at 2:00 at the church. Faith Circle serves lunch.

June 24 Quilt Auction at Lake Metigoshe. More information at the church.

Faith Circle has the table decorations in the month of June. Thanks to everyone who donated items for the Christmas boxes and kits that were sent.

The kits went to LWR.

Happy Father's Day to all dads!

Flower blossom & meaning:

Variegated tulip = beautiful eyes

Debbie



Our June Church Servants

Readers

4th - Janice O.

11th - Monica

18th - Iva

25th - Carlyle

Work:

Phyllis - Carol J.

Eileen

Coffee

4th - Kathy

11th - Joyce

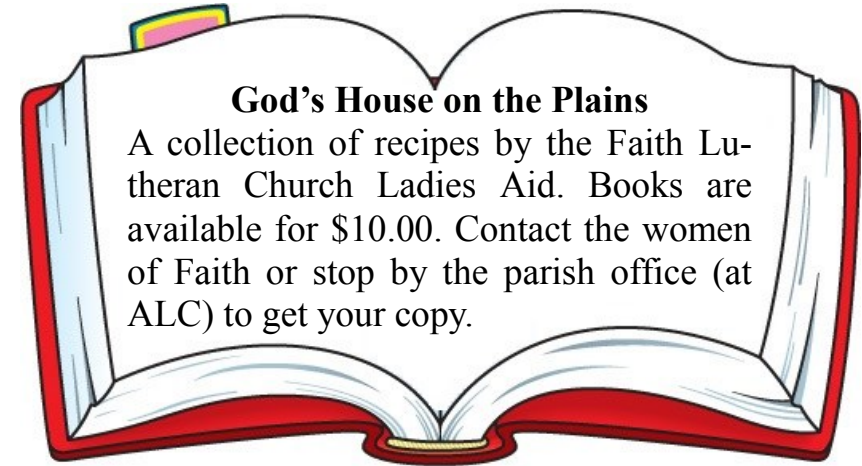
18th - Kathyryne

25th - Kathy or Debbie

Alter & Greeters:

Joyce

Velma



God's House on the Plains

A collection of recipes by the Faith Lutheran Church Ladies Aid. Books are available for \$10.00. Contact the women of Faith or stop by the parish office (at ALC) to get your copy.

The following offerings will be received at Synod Assembly:

- Opening Worship: Western North Dakota Synod Lutheran Youth Organization
- Assembly Banquet Love Offering: Our 4 Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Sites in Western North Dakota Synod
- Sweet Deal for C.A.R.: Funds to support the ministry of our Global Companion Synod Church can be turned in at the registration table

In addition, those attending the Mission Gala Dinner and Auction will enjoy an evening of music, story, food and fun for a great cause. The meal will be served by pastors and deacons from congregations across the WNDS. Both a Live Auction and Silent Auction will be part of the festivities and all proceeds benefit the Synod's Mission Endowment Fund which provides grants for new mission initiatives to congregations across our synod.



Western North Dakota Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.



FATHER'S DAY
June



JANITORS – for June are Orville and Betty Harstad. Thank you!

WELCA – There will be no WELCA meeting in June, but will meet again in July.

THANK YOU – to Jerome Lautenslager for taking our LWR blankets to the Midwest truck in Minot the middle of May. It was greatly appreciated!!

COFFEE SERVERS - volunteers to serve coffee are always welcomed. If you have not served for a while and it works out for you to do a Sunday morning coffee it is always appreciated.

THANK YOU – to Nikki Longmuir and all the Sunday School children as well as some older youth for the nice Mother's Day Program and to Amy Fladeland for the M&M treats and note that signified the different colors and who we should pray for. The craft project was fun and hope all the mothers who planted flower seeds in the little flower pots (coloring done by the SS kids) will grow and be reminded of mother's love. Thanks again to all who planned, participated and worked on this fun project.

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU CARTER ON YOUR ORDINATION IN TO THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S WORK.

We have already had the privilege of having you be our pastor for the past few months and look forward to your installation as our pastor and to also meet your wife and become friends with her as well. God bless you Carter and your wife, Kayla.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL YOU FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

Knife River Sunday School

I am so proud of all the kids for doing such a great job for our Mothers Day service. I want to thank Faith and Jared for helping us out by doing the tougher readings. Thanks to Amy for the idea and for finding the fun songs we got to sing! The kids really enjoyed singing them!

I want to thank all the kids for coming each Sunday and making Sunday school a fun, learning experience! The biggest thanks goes to the parents who get up and bring the kids to church and Sunday school every Sunday.



Just a little reminder of VBS, which begins May 30 and goes through June 2. Contact me with any questions.

I have enjoyed taking over the Sunday school program and am excited to see everyone back this fall!!
Nikki

Pre-Assembly Bible Study

“In Faith, For Faith: Reclaiming the Heart of Salvation”

When: Thursday, June 1st, 10:30 AM – 3 PM

Where : Grand Hotel, 1505 N Broadway, Minot

Cost: \$15 (includes Lunch)

We are excited to welcome Dr. Samuel Giere of Wartburg Theological Seminary as this year's PreAssembly Workshop Leader. Dr. Giere will also serve as the Bible study Leader for the two days of Synod Assembly to follow. This workshop is open to the public and you need not be attending Synod Assembly to attend the PreAssembly Workshop. Register on-line or at the door the day of the workshop.

This year the Lutheran church commemorates 500 years of ministry since Martin Luther first sparked the Protestant Reformation. The heart of the Reformation was the reclamation of faith alone – *sola fide* – as the heart of salvation. Drawing upon scripture and the Protestant Reformation teachings, Dr. Giere's presentations will explore the place of faith, moving to recover faith as the central orienting reality for the Christian toward God, Scripture, the Church, the neighbor, and the enemy.

Our Parish members celebrating birthdays this month!

June Birthdays

- 1 - Ryan Nesheim, Ronnie Herfindahl, Jack Evans
- 2 - Cristy Jones, Mike Hamers
- 3 - Ramona Edwards, Roger Rogstad, Kelsey Skaar, Jill Johnson, Randal Ostdahl
- 6 - Jane Rismon, Ryan Gjellstad, Marianne Hanson, Jessica Bruhn
- 7 - Heather Greenlee, Heather Erie, Hannah Erie, Justin Lund, Allen Lund, Scott Meiers, Barb Roise, Brooklyn Gunderson, Tim Dorau
- 8 - Robin Gjellstad, Aaron Ranum, James Halvorson, Mandy Vanmetter
- 9 - Gaige Reep, Noah Barnhart, Reagan Hermanson
- 10 - Kenny Lystad, Jeremy Carkuff, Charles Baddeley, Gavyn Rudolph
- 11 - Kayla Gandrud, Jennifer Neset, Mary-Emily Evenson, Brad Wing
- 12 - Kelly Schunke, Susan Halden, Haley Mortensen
- 13 - Jordan Aadnes, Melissa Guthmiller, Andrew Raasakka, Maycee Ellvanger, Trey Bohmbach
- 14 - Brady Enge
- 15 - Wayne Bohrer, Corbin Reep, Sandra Harstad, Jasmin Enockson
- 16 - Janice Lindberg, Colleen Walhaug
- 17 - Ben Lee, Marlene Hoirup, Ron Jansky, Helen Seibel, Marilyn Hagen
- 18 - Casey Johnson
- 19 - Braedon Croegaert, Denise Enge, Rease Juma
- 20 - Clay Sorenson, Denise Pappa, Kelsey Colbenson, Elizabeth Dunham, Roger Evans
- 21 - Denise Sundean, Casey Fladeland
- 22 - Nellie Larson, Wanda Halvorson, Breanna Meiers
- 23 - Ron LaFromboise, Bobby Jo Johnson
- 24 - Ethan Paetz, Jhonda Bruhn
- 25 - Brooklyn Anderson, Jacob Enge
- 26 - Carol Hanson, Eli Brewer
- 27 - Harley James, Philip Petz, Blake Harstad, Marion Herfindahl, Amy Stordahl
- 28 - Rhett Hanson, Wesley Reynolds
- 29 - Dalton Brown



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES:

- 1 - Sydney & Carol Craft
- 2 - John & Erin Anderson
- 2 - Lawrence & Darlene Bruhn
- 2 - Roger and Renae Gjellstad
- 3 - Don and Connie Longmuir
- 3 - Kevin & Stacy Craft
- 4 - Brence & Jennifer Wilson
- 5 - Irvin and Karen Eliason
- 7 - Lynn and Carol Mehus
- 7 - Hod and Ruth Hysjulien
- 8 - Rocky & Adriana Fladeland
- 9 - Rudy and Ardyce Alvstad
- 10 - Len & Eileen Jones
- 11 - Matthew and Kimberly Dupay
- 11 - Jerry and Nancy Rudolph
- 11 - Cody & Brittany Uran
- 12 - Ted & Jane Dobrovolny
- 12 - Quintin and Heather Lee
- 13 - Kelly and Denise Hanson
- 15 - Chris & Whitney Nordloef
- 21 - Walter & Dezrai Dunham
- 21 - Roger and Colleen Holm
- 21 - Ira & Amy Walter
- 24 - Larry & Dorothy Goodall
- 24 - Meyer and Diane Kinnoin
- 25 - Ron and Laura Paetz
- 26 - Bishop Mark & Jan Narum
- 28 - Jeff and Karen Colbenson
- 28 - Jason and Christi Iverson

Are we up-to-date with you?

If you are no longer affiliated with the churches of our parish and wish to have your name re-moved from our parish mailing list, please call the church office (628-2550) or email us at: office@prairielutheranparish.org

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