Prairie Lutheran Parish Newsletter

September 2016



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, One Prairie" American Lutheran Church

Ross 9:00am Sundays

Bethlehem Lutheran Church | Knife River Lutheran Church | Hwy 8 South of Stanley 9:00am Sundays

Stanley 10:30am Sundays

Palermo 10:30am Sundays

Faith Lutheran Church

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September Gospel Seeds

A Monthly Update from the Western North Dakota Synod Office



Proud to Participate...

Once again it was an honor to see people from our Synod actively involved as servants during August's ELCA Churchwide Assembly. Rev. Craig Schweitzer and Associate in Ministry Kari Files were part of the team of worship musicians. Mason Schmidt, Christ Lutheran (Minot), was assisting minister during worship on Friday of the Assembly. Synod staff member Sherie Heine was

one of the communion ministers during the entire Assembly. Connie Essler, America Lutheran (Stanley), served as an Assembly volunteer.

There were also seven people from our Synod who participated in the *Grace Gathering*, a way for people from around the country to experience the work this church does together in Jesus' name.

News from Around Your Church...

Sixteen voting members from our Synod joined almost 1,000 voting members from around the country to do the business of the church. During the time in New Orleans the Assembly:

- -Gathered daily in worship, with rich preaching of God's word and the celebration of Holy Communion.
- -Heard calls from our Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Secretary Chris Boerger, and Vice President Carlos Pena to remember that Jesus is at the heart of who we are; it is proclamation of the Good News of his death and resurrection we are called to share and be about as church.
- -Continued the conversation about future priorities of our church.
- -Elected William B. Horn II (Clearwater, Florida) as Vice President.
- -Unified the three lay rosters of Diaconal Minister, Associate in Ministry and Deaconess into one roster which will be known as Deacon.
- -Passed a memorial repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery.
- -Approved a document (*Declaration on the Way*) outlining what the ELCA and the U.S. Roman Catholic Church agrees on in terms of the church, worship, and Holy Communion.

You can read more about your Church's gathering at elca.org.

Great News...

We have received word a Churchwide mission probe grant has been approved for "Penelope's Place", an outreach of Metigoshe Lutheran

Church. This ministry's goal is to connect with those pushed away by the church - especially women. We are looking forward to seeing what God might stir up through this outreach.

Save the Dates!

All ELCA Rostered Leaders are invited to a leadership gathering next summer in Atlanta, Georgia. The event entitled, "On the Way Together", is being billed as a continuing education event with excellent worship, learning opportunities, and the ability to connect with colleagues from across our church. The dates are August 7 -10, 2017. Watch for more details in coming months on the ELCA website.

Good Resources...

I commend two books, which I have recently read, to you. The first is "Embracing Stewardship" by Charles "Chick" Lane and Grace Duddy Pomroy. The first section of this book lays out a solid Lutheran theology of stewardship. The second section is intended to be used over time as a resource providing different ways to engage stewardship within a congregation.

One of the gifts of this book is the diversity of the two authors. They are open about the difference in their church backgrounds, their age, and their gender. This diversity brings a wider range of thinking to current day issues of being stewards – or caretakers - of all God has entrusted to us.

The second book was shared with me by Pastor Marty Mock. "I Am A Church Member" by Thom S. Rainer is a quick read and defines the difference between a church consumer and a disciple of Jesus. Pastor Mock plans to use this as a conversation starter with his church council.

Both of these books could be excellent conversation starters within your congregation.

Church Council Visits...

In the coming weeks, Synod Council members and Synod Staff will be making phone calls asking to make a visit to some church councils across the Synod. The purpose of these visits is straight forward: to thank congregations for their partnership, to share stories of ministry in Jesus' name made possible because congregations share Mission Support, and to share the Bishop's Challenge.

If you would like a visit, please call the Synod Office and let us know. If you receive a call, please help arrange the visit. We are thankful for your partnership in the Gospel.

> Serving as Bishop of the Western North Dakota Synod Mark Narum

Words from our Vice Pastor George Schuessler Pastor at Zion (Berthold) & Carpio Lutheran (Carpio)

RALLY DAY

"Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God. . ."
(Deuteronomy 8:11a)

Rally Day is fast approaching. I fear that many think of "Rally Day" as the start to the Sunday School Season. Wrong! Rally Day is for the whole congregation. As our community school gathers the entire community in peprallies to up-lift our spirits, as our nation gathers together on "Patriots Day" to consolidate our resolve as "Americans" in the face of world threats to democracy, so we the "Body of Christ" gather in festal celebration that remembers our relationship in our great God.

After a distracting Summer of occasional worshipping, it is important to have a "Rally Day" to call us to remember the relationship we have in our great God. We need to again be welcomed by our heavenly Father. We need to be humbled by the sacrifice of our Savior, Jesus. We need to be up-lifted by our Advocate, the Holy Spirit. That we be energized to again pick up with the tasks of ministry in the Church of Christ Jesus our Lord.

On Rally Day may all of us young and old, men and women, members and nonmembers join our hands in the work of the fruits of the Spirit and to join our voices to the praise of our great God. It's a remembering and renewing day for us all, just like the children of Israel in their life of faith that saw various "Rally Days".

Come and feel the warmth of the Father's love, the freedom and security in Christ Jesus, and the joy of unity in the Holy Spirit.

Sincerely in Christ's service, Pastor George



Martin Luther was eight years old when Christopher Columbus set sail from Europe and landed in the Western Hemisphere. Luther was a young monk and priest when Michaelangelo was painting the Sistine Chapel in Rome. A few years later, he was a junior faculty member at a new university in small-town Germany, intently studying the Scriptures, "captivated with

an extraordinary ardor for understanding Paul in the Epistle to the Romans."

In these days Luther was tormented by the demand for righteousness before God. "I did not love, yes, I hated the righteous God who punishes sinners, and secretly, if not blasphemously, certainly murmuring greatly, I was angry with God." Then, in the midst of that struggle with God, the message of the Scriptures became clear, like a long-shut door opening wide. When he realized that a "merciful God justifies us by faith ... I felt that I was altogether born again and had entered paradise itself through open gates."

What Luther discovered is the freedom of Christians trusting God's mercy in Christ. As he later wrote, "Faith is God's work in us. It changes us and makes us to be born anew of God. This faith is a living, busy, active, mighty thing. It is impossible for it not to be doing good works incessantly. Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that believers would stake their lives on it a thousand times."

This discovery set Luther's life on a new course —both his own life and his public service as a preacher and teacher. When a church-endorsed sales team came to the Wittenberg area in October, 1517, Luther was concerned that the promotion and sale of indulgences undermined the promise of God's unreserved mercy in Jesus and the faith that trusts that promise. His 95 Thesesor Disputation on the Power and Efficacy of Indulgences became the first of a life-long stream of books,

sermons, letters, essays, even hymns in which he expressed his confidence in this life-giving promise from God, the Gospel, and its liberating implications for all of life in church and society.

http://elca.org/Faith/ELCA-Teaching/Luther-and-Lutheranism



Prairie Lutheran Parish News

Parish - Recent Marriages

August 6th

Cole Hysjulien & Lauren Lumley August 13th

Michael Crider & Yanci Smith

Mountrail County Food Pantry

In <u>July</u>, we served 49 families, 148 people; 57 were children. We gave away 3942 pounds of food. We received 36 wonderful pounds of delicious vegetables from the Rough Rider 4-H Club, as well as several other donors. Thank you all. *Mary*



The Parish Council wishes to express appreciation to all who came and par-

ticipated in the farewell service for the Philstroms. The Prairie Praise Choir and special music by Katie, the presentation of gifts, the delicious (abundant) potluck dinner and of course the beautiful cake. You all gave them a wonderful send-off and sent them to the new call with our blessings.

Thank you to Barb Solberg, Don Longmuir and Mercy Carkuff for providing pulpit supply to the Parish in August.

Going South?

If you are going south or moving, please let the church office know. We can change mailing address & avoid mail forwarding expenses. Thanks

Parish - Recent Baptisms

August 7th at Knife River Lutheran **Owen Jerome** daughter of

Kevin & Stacy Craft
Sponsors

Ronald & Carolyn Brandt

August 13th at American Lutheran **Gavyn Christine** daughter of

William & LaRae Rudolph Sponsors

Bill Hines & Jennifer Larson

Growing in Faith To Serve

GIFTS will meet September 19th at 10 a.m. at American Lutheran. All are welcome.

Together 4 Prayer -Will meet September 1st, 9:30 a.m. (Thursday) at Thompson's. All are welcome.

Pastor George Schuessler of the Carpio-Berthold Parish is our vice pastor and is available for immediate pastoral needs. His number is 701-720-6839. Thank you Pastor George!

ELCA Churchwide http://elca.org/News-and-Events/7852
Sarah will give us a report at the morning worship on October 30th.

Watch our Facebook page and your bulletins for information on when Confirmation classes will resume this fall.





Parish Worship Committee Formed

When the Prairie Lutheran Parish met with Bishop Narum on July 31st there were some questions and good discussion. One of the things that Bishop Narum suggested was that we might organize a Parish Education Committee and a Parish Worship Committee. The Council authorized John to facilitate the development of the Parish Worship Committee as he creates the bulletins and newsletters. John contacted each congregation and representatives of their (Congregational) Worship Committees were appointed to serve as their representatives. The first meeting was held on August 17th and was well attended. The meeting lasted an hour and at the end of that time, the Committee had agreed to the following:

Once a month during Communion Service, ELW Setting 4 will be used.

Mission Statements and Mission Hymns will be discontinued for the time being. The individual Congregational Mission Hymns will be replaced with a single Gathering Hymn to be sung at all four churches.

Hymns for September worship were selected with input from all.

The Pastor or Pulpit Supply may use the Parish Worship Committee's selected Hymn of the Day or select a different Hymn of the Day.

We will use the Psalm and Apostle's Creed each Sunday of September.

If you have ideas about worship, please feel free to convey them to your congregation's Worship Committee so they can be brought to the Parish Worship Committee.



Psalm 95: 1-3

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

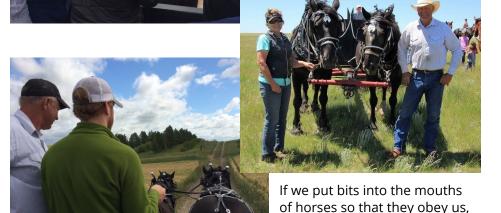
Bethlehem hosts visit from Ibrahim Bitrus



Allen Lund gives pointers on driving a team of horses to Dr. Bitrus, Pastor Rory and Pastor Carolyn.

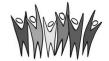
we guide their whole bodies as

James 3:3



well.

The Sixth Annual "Table Du Jour" Sunday, September 11th, 2016 Ladies, please join us for the 6th annual "Table Du Jour" at American Lutheran Church. Doors will open at 3:00. There will be decorated tables again in various themes to set the stage for the day. The program will include an inspirational speaker who talks about the walk of faith through her sadness of several unexpected family deaths and then the way she found restored joy and renewed strength in her faith, family and friends. Her theme is "from mourning to dancing." There will also be musical entertainment, door prizes, a light supper and wonderful fellowship. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. If interested please call: Renae Gjellstad at 701-629-1952 or Marlene Grabow at 701-629-0025 Ticket sales will end on Thursday, September 8, 2016 due to limited seating.







Lutheran Campus Ministry Needs Your Help!

Two years ago, Pastor Jon Splichal Larson referred a youth from Faith Lutheran, Bismarck to Lutheran Campus Ministry at Minot State. Adam and I connected during his first week of college, and he now serves on our LCM Board, and is about to start a year-long vocational internship at Bethany Lutheran in Minot. Through LCM, he is actively discerning how God may be calling him to seminary and to a career in the church.

On behalf of Lutheran Campus Ministry, please consider referring your college-bound students through LCM's online nationwide system. We will happily contact them, without pressure or obligation, to invite them into a loving, accepting community of young adults that seek to explore their vocations, ask big questions, and engage their faith - all in a supportive, affirming environment. Thank you for your help!

Register My College Student

http://lumin-networkreferral.org/student-referrals/ (Submitted by: Rev. Christoph Schmidt, Minot State Campus Ministry) Taken from: WND Synod E-News August 17 Western North Dakota Synod-ELCA <beth@wndsynod.ccsend.com>

Tigirlily Concert - Sunday, September 18th 4:30pm Outdoors at Zion Lutheran Church* 1800 Hiawatha Street -- Minot, ND

A *free* community event with opportunities to learn about and donate to God's Global Barnyard, a program of ELCA World Hunger. Food will be served with freewill donations going to the cause of World Hunger. *In case of inclement weather the concert will be moved indoors at Zion. Taken from: WND Synod E-News August 17 Western North Dakota Synod-ELCA

Seth@wndsynod.ccsend.com>

Rally Sunday is Sept. 11th in the individual churches.



September Sunday Worship Leadership **ALC:** Elle Sorenson & Raygen Lee (acolytes)
Communion Server: Mackenna Hanson

LYO September News Eden Cuypers, Youth Leader



Glow with the light of Jesus—the theme for our August LYO event! Our Glow Party was a fun success. On Wednesday, August 10th we had 12 kids join us for glow-in-the-dark games and activities as well as food, a scripture hunt, and hide-n-seek to round out the evening.

Thank you to everyone who helped with food, prayers, transportation, and support over our summer LYO events.

Also, a special thank you to Pastor Rory and Pastor Carolyn for their help and direction since I began working with LYO. I can't wait to see what God will do with LYO this year!



Our next LYO event will be on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September 14th</u> when we'll begin our weekly Wednesday events that go through the school year. Bring a friend to join us!

Weekly LYO starts in September!

We are planning to begin our weekly LYO get-togethers on Wednesday, September 14th from 6:30-8:30. A meal will be served each week followed by activities or games that go with some group discussion.

Contact information:

(701) 840-2871 (cell phone)

Eden.drevecky@gmail.com

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. At the end, we have a brief prayer time before we leave. All 7th-12th graders are welcome to join us!

Sunday Worship Schedule:

Bethlehem: 9:00 Knife River: 9:00 American: 10:30 Faith: 10:30



SEPTEMBER 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Regular Weekly Activities 10:00 A.M. AlAnon on Saturdays at ALC 5:00 P.M. Cub Scouts on Mondays at ALC 6:30 P.M. Boy Scouts on Mondays at ALC only in the event of rain (summer months) 8:00 P.M. A.A. on Mondays & Fridays at ALC				1 8:00 Men's Bible Study 9:30 Together-4-Prayer 2:00 Faith Evening Study 8:00 Bethlehem Council	2	3
4 Sunday Worship! 5:00-7:00 at ALC open house for Edna Ostdahl's 90th	5 Labor Day Holiday Church office closed No ALC Quilting	6 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Centennial Court Study 2:00 Faith Afternoon Study Wee Care Resumes	7	8:00 Men's Bible Study at ALC 2:00 Faith Ladies Aid	9 8 a.m. Bethlehem fixes hair at Bethel	10
11 Rally Sunday! Knife River Breakfast Bethlehem Breakfast Tables Du Jour	ALC 10:00 Quilting 2:15 ALC WELCA	13 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study	14 6:30 LYO & meal 7:00 ALC Council	15 8:00 Men's Bible Study at ALC	16 Health Fair at ALC	17
18 Sunday Worship! ALC Contemporary Bethlehem WELCA	19 ALC 10:00 Quilting 10:00 GIFTS	20 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study	21 3:40ALC church school 6:30 LYO & meal	22 8:00 Men's Bible Study at ALC	23 Noon - Scroll deadline	24
25 Sunday Worship! Gold Serving Grp ALC Bethel Home Bazaar	26 ALC 10:00 Quilting	27 10 Sunday Text Study 10 Bethlehem Bible Study	28 1:00 Scroll assembly by Bethlehem Lutheran 3:40ALC church school 6:30 LYO & meal	29 8:00 Men's Bible Study at Centennial Court	30 8 a.m. American fixes hair at Bethel	

American Lutheran Church



Open doors-open hearts. Join us for worship.

September 5th - No quilting on Labor Day.

September 11th - Rally Sunday at American Lutheran

September 11th - 3:00 Tables Du Jour

September 12th - 10:00 Quilting Day

September 12th - 2:15 WELCA

September 14th–7:00 ALC Council

September 19th - 10:00 Quilting Day

September 21st - 3:30 Wednesday Church School begins

September 26th - 10:00 Quilting Day

We have had some changes on the church grounds with the removal of the large evergreen trees to the north. They were causing problems with the roof. The plan is to have some landscaping done and create a nice sitting area complimented with plants.

We are so pleased with Eden Cuypers work with our parish youth and the Youth Sunday Service was well received.

All of our pianos in the church were tuned in August and some minor repairs completed on the grand piano. We are grateful for the wonderful pianists and organist as well as the clavinova operators we have on Sunday mornings. You are all appreciated!

Our Quilting group continues to meet on Mondays and we have a great time of fellowship with members of our Parish as well as some from other churches in town. Bring your sack lunch and join us as we create quilts for the needy. All are welcome!

We will have Rally Sunday on Sunday, September 11th at ALC. Sunday school kids will be singing so have them come at 9:45 to practice. We will be beginning ALWS on Wednesday, September 21st from 3:40 to 4:45 for all kids ages 4 years old to 6th grade. We are looking for any members who love hanging out with some pretty cool kids to be a leaders or helpers on Wednesdays! Contact Sarah Sorenson at (701) 629-1206 or Sarah.Sorenson@k12.nd.us or Nellie Larson at (701) 629-1558.





ALC Serving Groups - The serving group is posted on the church bulletin The groups will continue to meet the LAST Sunday of the month previous to the month they are scheduled to serve.

September 2016 * = Chair/Vice Chair of Group Blue Serving Group Gold Group October 2016 Serves in October Gold Serving Group November 2016 Ron & Shelly Aadnes Green Serving Group Shane Aadnes December 2016 Delores Anderson Purple Serving Group Dave & Paula Brown January 2017 Brandon & Beth Dean White Serving Group Jared Enget February 2017 Scott & Jordan Evans Blue Serving Group Rocky & Adriana Fladeland Dolores Hagen Sound System Larry & Nancy Hagen Jake Hellman 1st Curt & Nancy Hemstad* Don Longmuir 2nd Gerry & Chancey Henin Gary Nordloef 3rd Jason & Christy Iverson* Jeff Colbenson 4th Norma Kjellberg Jake Hellman 5th Duane & Janice Lindberg Dennis Lynnes Power Point Jason & Lacey McDonald Projectionists Evan & Erin Meiers Katie/Sarah 1st Eric & Shannon Mell Kelly/Dawn 2nd Norman & Julie Mell Gary/Kaye 3rd Jackie Nelson Jeff/Karen 4th Earl Rogstad Jake Hellman 5th Layne & Tyra Rolfe Aug Communion Robert & Elaine Sandry Pam & Kelly Shunke Assistants Aaron & Ashley Skarsgard September 4 Troy & Jenny Smith Mark & Jeremy Clay & Sarah Sorenson September 18 Steve & Cathy Springan Kay & Shelby Bill & June Stevens We will celebrate communion at A.L.C.

We will celebrate communion at A.L.C. on Sunday, September 4th with Pastor Christoph Schmit (Lutheran Campus Ministry at Minot State University) and on Sunday, September 18th with Pastor Janis Sloka (Camp of the Cross).

Blue Group Serves in September Kermit & Susan Arneson Jason & Stacey Barstad * Jason & Danielle DuPay Matthew & Kim DuPay Irvin & Karen Eliason Neil & Laurie Faber Don & Carrie Giese Renee Grinolds Deanna Haugen Curt & Grace Johnson Dave Johnson Lacey Johnson McKenzie Johnson Valborg Johnson Denny Kesterson Ronnie LaFromboise Jerome & Pat Lautenschlager Jessica LeRohl George & Amy Littlecreek Jennifer & Brian Manson Curt & Summer Meyer Gary & Kathy Mork Elmer & Carol Nelson Landon & Kara Nichols Dennis & Brenda Nielsen Ben Nordloef Chris & Whitney Nordloef Gary & Kay Nordloef Rand & Diane Olson Mike & Clarissa Parmeter Andrew & Randi Petras Michael & Abby Reep Brad & Barb Reese Duc & Renae Thiel Ira & Amy Walter Gary & Cheryl Weisenberger* Bill & Anna Marie Whitmore Jennifer Whitmore

Ryan & Beth Wilhelmi



September Coffee/Greeters:

Sept. 4: Colin & Susan Sept. 18: Gary & Vicki Sept. 11: Rally Sunday Sept. 25: Colin & Susan

September Ushers: Mike & Kim

Bethlehem news

Council meeting Thursday September 1st at 8:00.

Tuesdays at Ten: September 6th at Centennial Court.

♦ Bethel home hair fixing Friday September 9th.

Rally Day at Bethlehem, September 11th with Breakfast

₩ WELCA will meet after worship September 18th.

Updates from council:

 \sim The basement windows have been installed, and the siding is done. It looks wonderful! The stain glass windows are still a work in progress. We are In the process of getting bids for the roof.

~ New doors have been ordered for the basement/fellowship area to match the newest kitchen door. These will be installed and the Sunday school rooms will be modified (the two east rooms will become one room) this fall.

The Bitrus family, of Nigeria, was with our church community August 4th-August 7th. A great big thank you to all who helped make their time here a great experience. Pastors Rory and Carolyn took them camping overnight Thursday to the Roosevelt park north unit. They said this was a hit! Roger and Addy graciously hosted them at their home Friday nights through Sunday morning. Allen and Debbie shared a meal

and wagon ride at their home Thursday. Nancy and Scott took them on a tour of the New Town and Parshall area Saturday. Thank you all for sharing a meal with Ibrahim and his family following worship that Sunday.

The President of the Lutheran Church in the Central African Republic was with us Thursday August 25th, along with Bishop Mark, Sherie Heine assistant to the bishop, and Matthew and Dina Nygard serving as translators. We will have a summary of their visit in the October Scroll.

We said farewell to Pastors Rory and Carolyn Sunday August 14th. On behalf of Bethlehem, they were presented with a cross welded by Dustin; made with rake teeth and oil field sucker rod. Blessings to them in their future ministries!

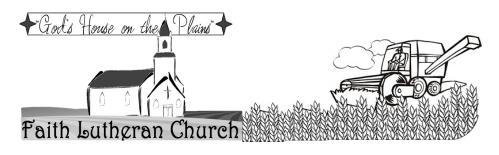
As the Pastors have gone on to new ministries, John has been busy lining up pulpit supply for the next month or two of Sunday worships. Each church will be forming groups to update their respective ministry site profiles. From that group, people will be asked to serve on a parish call committee to begin the call process. The call process may take some time, so it would be great if we as members used this time for prayer and discernment about what kind of leadership we would like to see serving our church in the future, who we want to become as church together (these are things you may share with our call committee or council), and how can you serve the church and community in new ways during this period between pastoral leaderships.

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Ministry at Minot State University) and on



Sunday, September 18th with Pastor Janis Sloka (Camp of the Cross). All are welcome.



Harvesting is Underway

Congratulations to Megan and Shane for their marriage in July. Best Wishes to you both forever and ever.

Evening Bible Study will meet on September 1st at 2 p.m. at the church. Barb is the hostess with a group Bible Study.

<u>Afternoon Bible Study</u> will meet on <u>September 6th</u> at <u>2</u> <u>p.m.</u> at the home of Phyllis along with a group Bible Study.

<u>Ladies Aid</u> meets on <u>September 8th</u> at <u>2 p.m.</u> Charity Circle serves the lunch that afternoon.

Rally Day is on September 11th.

<u>Tables du Jour</u> is on <u>September 11th</u> at the American Lutheran Church. Doors open at 3:00 p.m.

The next <u>Faith Council</u> meeting will be on <u>October 2nd</u> after worship service.

Tables decorations at Faith is done by Faith Circle.

Our sympathy goes out to all the families that have lost loved ones in the past months. May their memories remain in us forever.

In a little lighter note - continue healing for Kathy R., Ben W. and anyone that needs this Special "I Care" Prayer.

Have a Safe Fall. *Debbie*

Flower of the month and meaning Lavender - Success & Luck



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September- Church Servants

Altar and Greeters: Work:

Phyllis & Iva Debbie H. Chair, Jennifer W. & Pat G.

<u>Coffee Servers</u> Readers

4th - Velma 4th - Darlene B 11th - Rally Sunday 11th - Rally Sunday

18th - Kathy 25th - Debbie H. 18th - Iva 25th - Lori



Serve.



Sunday School Flash

Where did the summer go? Hopefully everyone had a great one.

Faith Sunday School is scheduled for September 25th at 9:30 a.m. Come and join us for stories, crafts and anything else that comes our way.

Welcome back!

Kathryne





Faith Lutheran Rally Day Plans September <u>11</u>th

Please have your children at the church by 9:30. They will be singing for the church service. Thanks!





JANITORS fort September are Larry & Dorothy Goodall.

CONGRATULATIONS

Owen Jerome son of Kevin & Stacy Craft was baptized on August 7th by Pastor Rory. We pray that God will continue to bless you Owen and use you for His purpose.

MISSIONARIES

We were pleased to be joined by Willie and Anne Langdji for lunch on August 4th. The Knife River and Faith Lutheran women furnished the meal. The Langdjis spoke of their mission work in Central and West Africa. They had a picture show for us. About twenty people attended including Pastor Rory and Carolyn. Later in the afternoon, the ladies tied more fleece blankets.

MOUNTRAIL BETHEL HOME BAZAAR

The annual fall bazaar of the Bethel Home will be held September 25th from 2-4 at the Home.

COMMUNION

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Jean

Welcome to the Sunday School season once again! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and everyone is getting off to a great start to the new school year!

Our Knife River Family is excited to kick off the new Sunday School year by welcoming all kids to join in the fun and excitement of learning about our Heavenly Father. We will begin the fun Sunday September 11th at 9:00 am with a pot luck breakfast and worship. Please join us as we kick off this new year and learn what our new Sunday school season will have in store.

We will begin our classes on Sunday September 21st at 10:00 after our worship service. Kids from preschool through grade 6 are welcome to attend. We will have class each Sunday we have service at Knife River unless the kids have a long weekend from school and in that case there will be no Sunday school.

Bring your favorite breakfast dish and join us on Sunday September 11th at 9:00 for Rally Sunday. Thanks again to everyone for all your help and support of our Sunday school family at Knife River. It is going to be a great year!

God Bless - Christine



Congratulations to all those celebrating this month!

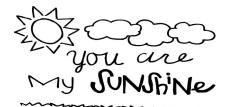
- 1 Rhonda Erie, Karleigh Heinze, Scarlett Raasakka, Ronald Seibel
- 2 Collin Petras, Megan Ryals, Jubal Jarmin, Jeff Meiers
- 3 Whitney Nordloef, Scott Ostdahl, Darlene Johnson, Sandy Baade, Bishop Mark Narum
- 4 Paul Prochaska, Gary Weisenberger, Shilo Stone, Edna Ostdahl
- 5 Nancy Konen, Kara Nichols, Wayne Enger, Dashon Ostdahl
- 6 Arlo Borud, Danny Lindberg, Dorothy Moen, Chelsea Harstad
- 7 Lindsay Hauge, Sam Lee
- 8 Michele Kinnoin
- 9 Denise Hanson
- 10 Abby Westlake, Bernard Walker, Ethan Lidstrom
- 11 Carrie Giese, Kathleen Laib, Cadyn Trulson, Jerome Erie, Robin Borud, Holly Jensen
- 12 Abe Roehrich, Jacob Bruhn, Jesse Lidstrom
- 14 Grace Lystad, Marshall Hermanson, Maura Mills
- 13 Kathy Rolfe, Marion Dorau
- 15 Gordon Aas, Elmer Nelson, Jackie Rudolph, Kiplee Nordloef, Steven Wing
- 16 Keaton Westlake, David Enger
- 17 Carissa Hysjulien, Faith Anderson
- 18 Thelma Solberg, Katy Ann Roise
- 19 Jennifer Ellis, Jake Smith, Greg Rugland, Meredith Craft
- 20 Debbie Johnson, Lacey Johnson, Heather Raasakka, Lee Alvstad, Ace Marmon, Joe Bruhn, Lee Alvstad, Carlyle Harlvorson
- 21 Marlene Grabow, John Enge, Debbie Pappa
- 22 Cole Dennis, Brenna Michelle Mell, Lindsey Ellvanger, Gabrielle Rolfe
- 23 Cristi Trulson, Brian Hysjulien, Darlene Cvancara
- 24 Carly Rose Rismon, Courtney Sigloh, Nicole Bruhn, Courtney Sigloh
- 25 Gordon Patten, Brad Farhart, Taina Karow, Hunter Warta, Alex Craft
- 26 Khloe Juma
- 27 Dallas Grabow, Jody Lidstrom, Kimberly Dupay, Joshua Bruhn, Danica Hermanson
- 28 Deloris Oja, Brian Yazzi, Kim Lowe
- 29 Betty Bloom, Mary Kilen, Michael Steen, Lainey Enockson, Sunny Halvorson, Scott Bruhn
- 30 Marilyn Evenson, Lynn Grabow, Myron Johnson

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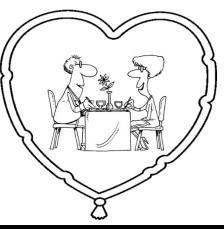


September Anniversaries:

- 1 Jim & Susie Trana
- 2 Ryan & Beth Wilhelmi
- 2 Myron & Mary Johnson
- 4 Lonnie & Pam Fladeland
- 5 Jeff & Lynette Meiers
- 5 Bernard & Kim Walker
- 8 Colin & Susan Vachal
- 9 Jerry & Jennifer Neset
- 15 Duane & Janice Lindberg
- 15 Craig & Novelyn Wienbar
- 15 Norman & Julie Mell
- 17 Dennis & Brenda Nielsen



- 19 Kevin & Tanya Kvamme
- 23 John & Devra Mogren
- 24 Jason & Misty Zuchara
- 26 Dan & Katie Harwood
- 27 Brian & Traci Hysjulien
- 27 Drew & Kylie Drosdal
- 29 Jason & Danielle Dupay



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