

Prairie Lutheran Parish

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Words from Pastor Carter

My Dear Parish,

Often Kayla and I are asked if we enjoy living in Stanley and if the parsonage offers us everything that we need in a home. We always give a resounding yes, and usually make a comment that it definitely has enough space for the two of us. Then usually the person makes some comment about how we better start filling it up with kids. We usually laugh. Then I counteroffer with that maybe we will just get a third and fourth dog to fill all the rooms. However, come November we will be able to fill one more of the seven bedrooms at our grasps in the parsonage, and no not with another dog, but our first child.

This has had me thinking a great deal about what new life means, for that is what we are offered each and every day from God. Each and everyday we are born anew to be the people of God all over again, we are forgiven and freed, and each and everyday we are given the chance to try our hardest to do better, to love one another more, to love ourselves more, to reach out and be Christ's hands and feet to all people. The greatest love we receive is that even if we do not do these things and we fall short, our God loves us enough to still offer us salvation through Christ's death and resurrection. But as Kayla and I prepare to bring a child into this world, my hope is that we can all do better, for his or her sake, for the sake of your children, grandchildren, and entire family, and each and every person of this world.

So as you experience new life in Christ each day, may you find a place to make this world a better place. Love with all your heart.

Set hate and division aside, and see all your neighbors as someone that is worthy of new life and love because in the eyes of God each and every person was worth sending his son to die for so that they and you may have new life. My dear parish, you are loved. By me. By Intern Pastor Sarah. By Eden. By John. By Marichel. And most importantly by God.

- Pastor Carter

Online Giving

Things to know:

*This is completely safe and secure. We have chosen a company that takes the safety of your information very seriously.

*You will always be able to give via your offering envelopes. That choice will not be going away. This is just an opportunity to make giving to our churches easier for you!

*If you'd like to set this up and need assistance stop by the Parish Office and chat with Pastor Carter.

----Setting Up Automatic Giving Online----

To set up online automatic giving you may simply visit the parish website. prairielutheranparish.org and click "Give Online"

Once there fill in the information! Be sure to select the correct church where it says "Prairie Lutheran Parish" each of the four churches is listed in the drop down arrow. You can give a one time gift, or make it reoccurring each week or month.

This is a great way to be to never have to worry about giving when you are not able to be at church. Let the computer and your bank do all the work for you!

Parish News

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Summer Worship

Barbecue supper from 5:00 to 5:30
Worship from 5:30 to 6:00

Summer Worship will be held
on the following dates:

Tuesday, June 12

Tuesday, July 10

Tuesday, August 7

Joint Service: July 29th at 10:30a we will worship together at Bethlehem, Ross. The Synod Staff will be here to bless and install Sarah as our Intern Pastor and to give thanks for her ministry with us.

Quilters Report

The ALC quilters had another busy year and assembled 121 quilts. That to the ladies who come on Mondays to do this mission work. Norma Kjellberg has been a quilter for many years and continues to cut quilt blocks for us while in the nursing home. Thanks to all those who donated material, memorials, and money for quilts and kits. Our sewing matching was giving Marilyn trouble, so we were able to purchase a new one with the money from the Endowment Fund and we were very thankful for this gift! We also received funds from Thrivent Choice dollars designed from two of our quilt members and we appreciate this money. Our greatest expense is bating quilt batting fill, thread, and sheets for backing. Also, thank you to all those who came to pack quilts and kits. Special thanks to Jim and Sue Trana for taking them to Minot and for Springans for the use of their van. Also, thank you to Lynn Grabow for taking our quilts to Metigoshe and to Kayla Hill for taking quilts to Camp of the Cross.

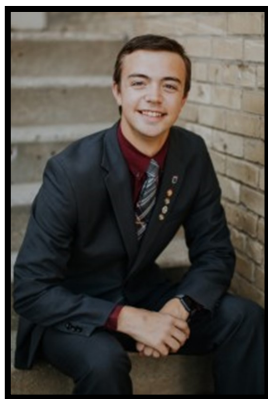
We gave four quilts to Heart River Corrections Center in Mandan, three to each of the camps, one to the Bethel Home Bazaar, three to the Christmas Tree Children's gifts, four to the Boys and Girls Ranch in Minot, and one to the youth for their raffle fundraiser. We auctioned off two quilts at our Thankoffering service, three were given to Christie Trulson after her house fire, and 7 denim quilts were given to the high school graduates. 84 quilts, 4 blankets, 10 school kits, 6 baby care kits, and 3 fabric kits were given to Lutheran World Relief.

Anyone is welcome to come help with the quilting on Mondays from 10am to 2pm. Bring a sack lunch, enjoy fellowship and mission work.

Youth News

Congratulations to our parish's graduates!

Blessings on the journey ahead!



Travis Dean



Kaitlynn Lindberg



Abby Iverson



Jasmyn Giese



Tanner Wilson



Kaedyn Hanson



Quayde Lee



Keri Skaar



Jared Anderson

Wee Care

May has been a fun and busy month at Wee Care! The students have finished learning about each letter of the alphabet and are reinforcing what they've learned through fun games and lessons. They all did an amazing job at their spring program. The kids worked so hard practicing their songs and poems. It's always so fun to see the little ones showing off what they can do. Thank you to all of the families that brought treats to share after our program. On the last week of school, the kids got to take a tour of the kindergarten rooms and play on the school playground. I think they'll be ready for the "big school" next year! Our year ended with a move/park party. We rented the movie theater along with the other preschool in town and the kids watched Peter Rabbit, then walked to the park where they had sack lunches and played with their friends. We have enjoyed our first year of teaching at Wee Care. We're sad to see the students leave, but excited for their new adventures ahead. - Mrs. Lund and Mrs. Laparra



American Lutheran

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: American Lutheran Church is partnering with Camp Metigoshe for Day Camp! Join us in an "Adventure Anchored in Christ" June 25-29. Youth entering in grades 1-6 are invited to enjoy some great arts and crafts, Bible studies, camp songs, and games! The energetic counselors are highly trained to work with youth. Contact the ALC office, 701-628-2550, for more information and for registration forms.

Cost: Free will offering!

Time: June 25-29, 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday, Friday, 9-11:30.

Vacation Bible School for children ages 3-kindergarten age will also be offered the week of June 25-29 from 9:00am - noon at ALC.

ALC LOST & FOUND: Remember that the first of June we clean out the lost and found boxes. Items will be in the narthex until the first Sunday in June. On June 4th unclaimed items go to the thrift shop.

WELCA REPORT—

- The spring kitchen cleaning is done and looks very good. Thanks to all the women who helped do this.
- Our quilts were displayed on the pews and all the LWR items have been sent. Thanks to the men and women for helping pack and taking them to Minot. Quilting will continue this summer on Mondays as usual.
- WELCA will be meeting June 4th after quilting.
- Congratulations and God's blessings to the 2018 graduates!
- Thank you to Kayla for her work on the scroll and congratulations on her graduation from Wartburg! Also, Happy Anniversary to Pastor Carter and Kayla.

White Group

Serves in June

June 2018

White Serving Group

July 2018

Blue Serving Group

August 2018

Gold Serving Group

September 2018

Green Serving Group

October 2018

Purple Serving
Group

November 2018

Red Serving Group

December 2018

White Serving Group

Power Point Asst.

Katie 1st

Kelly/Dawn 2nd

Gary/Kay 3rd

Jeff/Karen 4th

Jake Hellman 5th

Sound System

Jake Hellman 1st

Don Longmuir 2nd

Gary Nordloef 3rd

Jeff Colbenson 4th

Jake Hellman 5th

Nancy Brown

Ken & Cleo Bykone

Yanci Crider

Rod & Connie Essler *

Zach & Erin Essler

Brad & Amy Farhart

Maren Feiring

Heather Greenlee

Gene & Carol Hanson *

K & M Hanson

Nichole Janz Hoffert

Dale & Mary Kilen

Don & Verlee Kjoson

Quintin & Heather Lee

Wally Lee

Don & Connie Longmuir

Marichel Mariscal

Mark & Sheila Morgan

Dave & Barb Nesheim

Deloris Oja

Gordon & Connie Patten

Chad & Sarah Rismon

Jane Rismon

Brent/Bruce Rodenhizer

Alex & Katie Sandeen

Tom & Betty Simmers

Cliff & Judy Skaar

Tanya Skaar

Korey & Valerie Stammen

Jim & Tara Swegarden

Arden & Janis Thompson

Cristi Trulson

Blue Group

Serves in July

Susan Arneson

Jason & Stacey Barstad *

Jason & Danielle DuPay

Matthew & Kim DuPay

Neil & Laurie Faber

Carrie Giese

Don Giese

Renee Grinolds

Deanna Haugen

Grace Johnson

Dave Johnson

Lacey Johnson

McKenzie Johnson

Ronnie LaFromboise

Jerome & Pat Lautenschlager

Jessica LeRohl

George & Amy Littlecreek

Jennifer & Brian Manson

Curt & Summer Meyer

Gary & Kathy Mork

Elmer & Carol Nelson

Steve & Jennifer Nelson

Landon & Kara Nichols

Dennis & Brenda Nielsen

Chris & Whitney Nordloef

Gary & Kay Nordloef

Rand & Diane Olson

Andrew & Randi Petras

Michael & Abby Reep

Brad & Barb Reese

Eric & Donna Simpson

Duc & Renae Thiel

Ira & Amy Walter

Gary & Cheryl Weisenberger*

Bill & Anna Marie Whitmore

Ryan & Beth Wilhelmi

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Sunday Worship Schedule

9a Bethlehem

9a Knife River

10:30a American

10:30a Faith

3 Sunday Worship!

11:30a ALC Council

ALC Potluck Sunday

4 10a ALC Quilting

2:15 ALC WELCA

3p Faith Evening Bible Study

5p ALC Stewardship Mtg

5 10a Ross Bible Study

2p Faith Aft. Bible Study

8p ALC Council

6

10am Parish

Bible Study

10 Sunday Worship!

11

10a ALC Quilting

10a Faith Quilting

12

10a Pastor's Text Study

10a Ross Bible Study

6:00 Parish Council

13

17 Sunday Worship!

18

10:00 ALC Quilting

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10a Pastor's Text Study

10a Ross Bible Study

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24 Sunday Worship!

11:30 ALC Blue Serving Grp

11:30 Faith Council

4:30p - 7p Open House at
Pastor Carter's Parsonage

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10a Ross Bible Study

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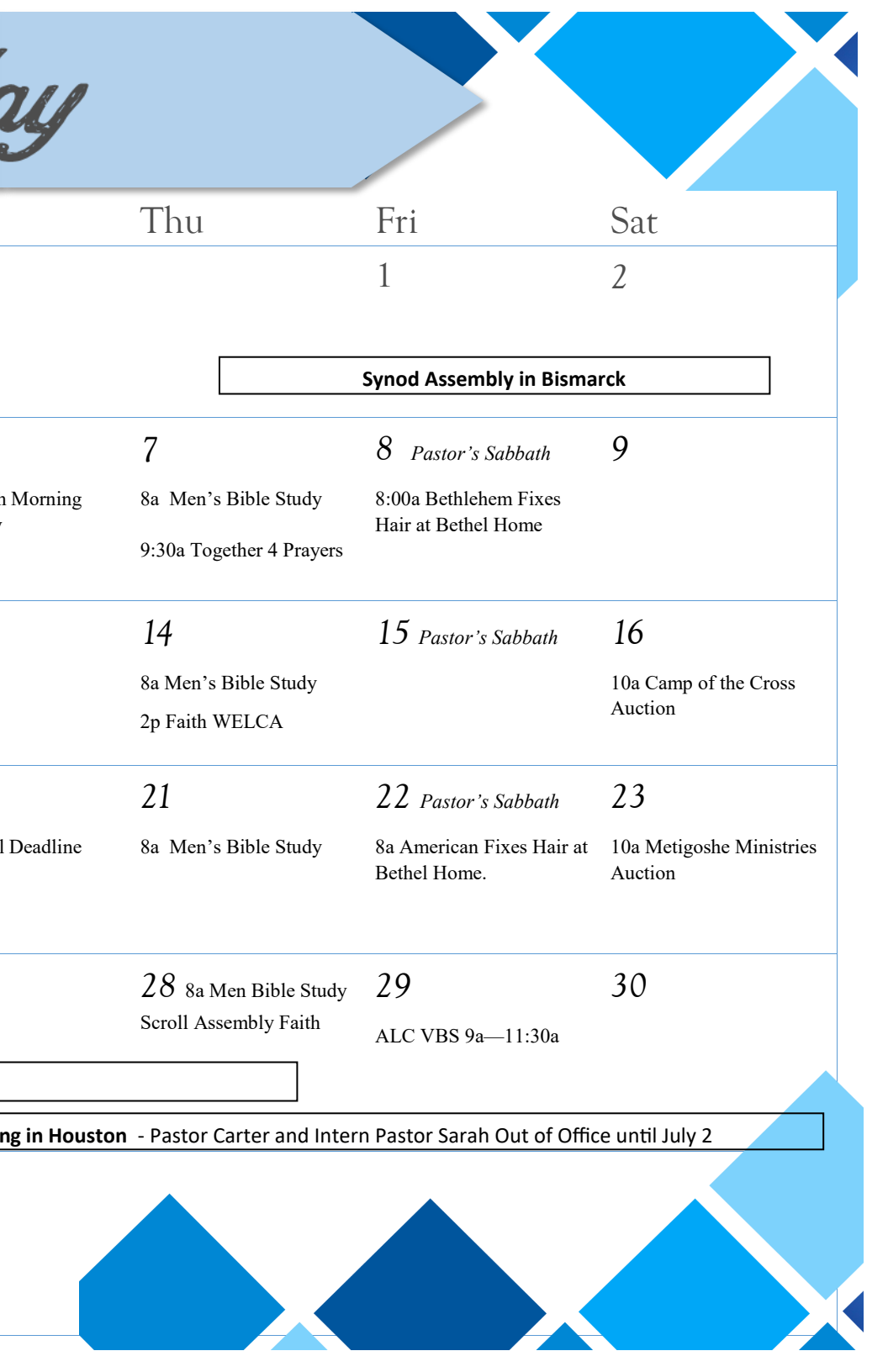
ALC VBS 9:00am—3:-00pm

National Youth Gatheri

Regular Weekly Activities:

8p A.A. on Mondays & Fridays at ALC

10a AlAnon on Saturdays at ALC



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Thu	Fri	Sat
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Synod Assembly in Bismarck		
7	8 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i>	9
n Morning y	8:00a Bethlehem Fixes Hair at Bethel Home	
8a Men's Bible Study 9:30a Together 4 Prayers		
14	15 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i>	16
8a Men's Bible Study 2p Faith WELCA		10a Camp of the Cross Auction
21	22 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i>	23
l Deadline	8a American Fixes Hair at Bethel Home.	10a Metigoshe Ministries Auction
28 8a Men Bible Study Scroll Assembly Faith	29 ALC VBS 9a—11:30a	30

ng in Houston - Pastor Carter and Intern Pastor Sarah Out of Office until July 2

Knife River

JANITORS – for June are Larry and Dorothy Goodall. Thanks!

WND SYNOD CONVENTION – in Bismarck on June 1 & 2 at the Ramkota Ballroom in Bismarck. Mark and Nicole Longmuir will be attending the convention as our delegates. Thank you for giving of your time to attend this convention and representing us.

REMINDER - On Sunday, July 8th, Knife River will celebrate its 110th anniversary when the congregation was formed. More information will be forthcoming via July newsletter and church bulletins.

THANKS to Janice Thompson for leading worship for us on May 27th.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all the Dads, Grandfathers and Great Grandfathers!! You are special and God 's blessings to all of you.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
July 30- August 2 at Knife River
with Camp of the Cross counselors

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Anyone interested in hosting a supper one night that week or providing lunch for the counselors at the church, please let Nikki Longmuir know.



Bethlehem

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with church cleaning on the evening of May 16th!! It was a great turn out and we got the work on the list DONE! A special thank you to Jamie for grilling hot dogs and to everyone who brought food.

WELCA NEWS: We made a donation to the After Prom Party and also to the After Grad Party for the Class of 2018. It was decided to have a Bakeless Bake Sale for a much needed fundraiser. Thank you to Susan, Barb and Lesley for taking on this project! You should have received your post card in the mail by now. Please take note that **Addy's** address is 9080 63rd St. NW and not the one printed by mistake on the post card. Our Mission plan for the summer months is to collect **bath size soap bars** for LWR. Please leave them in the original package. Rub a dub dub, just drop them in the tub located in the entry at the church!

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Over the school year our kids have given offering each Sunday and they've raised \$500! The kids met to decide who they wanted to bless with their offering and decided to use their money to buy animals and water filters through God's Global Barnyard, a program of the ELCA. They were able to purchase 4 pigs, 3 goats, 4 water filters, and 10 chickens to help out families in need. Great job kiddos!! The last day of Sunday school was May 20th. The kids decorated pots and planted flowers. Have a wonderful summer!

- Pam & Breann

JUNE GREETERS

3 - Curt & Lesley Trulson | 10 - Mike & Kim Sorenson Family
17 - Allen & Debbie Lund | 24 - Jason and Andie Roise and Marie R.



Faith Lutheran

THANK YOU: to ALC for delivering our LWR boxes to Minot and to everyone who donated to Operation Christmas Child—we sent 14 shoe boxes.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Kayla Hill for graduating from Wartburg Seminary.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- June 11 at 9:00 at the church there will be quilting. Anyone is welcome to come and help us.
- WELCA will meet on June 14 at 2:00pm at the church. Charity is serving us lunch that day.
- June 24 after church, the church council will meet.
- Afternoon Bible study will meet on June 5 at 2:00pm at the church. Darlene B. is the hostess alone with a group Bible study.
- Evening Bible study will meet on June 4 at 3:00pm with Iva as the hostess along with a group Bible study.

SERVING US THIS MONTH:

- Altar and Greeter: Barb and Claranne
- Work: Phyllis C., Darlene V. and Constance
- Readers: 3—Phyllis, 10—Lori H, 17—Iva, 24—?
- Coffee: 3—Joyce, 10—Lori H., 17—Kathy, 24—Kathryn

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Our deepest sympathy to the Bruhn families for the loss of Dollie. She will be truly missed by all that knew her.

Our “care prayers” need to be said everyday for the ones that are sick, in the hospital, nursing homes, and those recuperating. Especially for DeVonna who has cancer and the ones who are in remission.

Food Pantry

The Mountrail Community Food Pantry served 70 families in April, providing 8351 pounds of food. Of the 237 people that were served, 108 were children and 22 were seniors. It was a VERY busy month! We had a large shipment of food from the Great Plains Food Bank, and we were so very thankful to have our volunteers, plus the school students.

The Great Plains Food Bank is working to get dog/cat food to all of their partner agencies, and while we won't spend money on dog/cat food, we will certainly gladly accept it when it's free! It makes for some heavy carrying, though, and that's where our energetic students are so very appreciated! We shake our heads and watch as they eagerly grab a bag, and sometimes two, and one student actually carried in three bags at one time and they are BIG bags!

We received several memorials from folks in honor of dear friends. We received a thoughtful donation from Shell Creek Church and from Women of Today! Thank you! We are working to write a grant in hopes of getting a desk, table, and chairs that will make our checkout process a little easier for our volunteers and our clients.

I don't think I have mentioned this before, but if I haven't, it is certainly overdue! And if I have, it never hurts to hear good news again! Marie Roise heads up our volunteer workers to run the lift for clients. Every Monday, a volunteer shows up specifically to run the lift for clients, to get their food down to the main level, to wheel out the door. They do a fantastic job of making certain the lift doors are not slammed, which causes the whole thing to quit working! Thank you to Marie for organizing the volunteers, and to the volunteers that faithfully show up to run the lift!! We very much appreciate you all! And while I am talking about happy things, I was pondering as I looked around the food pantry the other day. We are very thankful for the beautiful space the Mountrail County has allowed us to use for our food pantry. It works perfectly for the citizens of Mountrail County, and we are blessed to use this facility!

- Mary

June Birthdays

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

Happy Anniversary

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| 1 - Sydney and Carol Craft | 12 - Quintin and Heather Lee, |
| 2 - Roger and Renae Gjellstad, | Ted and Jane Dobrovolsky |
| John and Erin Anderson, | 13 - Kelly and Denise Hanson |
| Laurence and Darlene Bruhn | 15 - Chris & Whitney Nordloef |
| 3 - Don and Connie Longmuir, | 17 - Dave and Ginny Hynek |
| Kevin and Stacy Craft | 21 - Roger and Colleen Holm, |
| 4 - Jennifer and Brence Wilson | Dezari and Walter Dunham, |
| 5 - Irvin and Karen Eliason | Ira & Amy Walter |
| 7 - Lynn and Carol Mehus, | 22 - Jacob and Shayla Bruhn |
| Hod and Ruth Hysjulien, | 24 - Meyer and Diane Kinnoin, |
| Tyler and Lindsay Westlake | Larry and Dorothy Goodall |
| 8 - Rocky & Adriana Fladeland | 25 - Ron and Laura Paetz |
| 9 - Rudy and Ardyce Alvstad | 26 - Bishop Mark and Jan Narum |
| 10 - Len and Eileen Jones | 28 - Jeff and Karen Colbenson, |
| 11 - Jerry and Nancy Rudolph, | Jason and Christi Iverson |
| Matthew and Kimberly Dupay, | |
| Cody & Brittany Uran | |

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Synod News

IMAGINE THAT...

Again and again I am amazed by Bible Stories – where God unexpectedly shows up. An Ethiopian eunuch traveling a dusty road encounters a follower of the risen Christ and is baptized. God showed up! The Chosen People are enslaved in Egypt – they cry out through prayer and Moses is called to lead them out of Bondage. God Showed UP! A baby is born – angels announce it – shepherds give witness – Immanuel, God With Us has arrived. Indeed, God Showed Up.

God shows up when we least expect it, catching us up by surprise. I invite you to be on the look-out for God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who by the power of the Holy Spirit shows up, offering grace, peace and forgiveness.

God shows up and uses people just like you and me to be the Good News in our communities and neighborhoods, counties and congregations. How has God gifted you? How might those gifts be used for the sake of serving others that they may come to know God's redeeming love through Jesus Christ?

Brothers and sisters in Christ we have been given incredible gifts. With limitless imagination we are invited to dream and pray, wonder and ponder how God might use each of us. You are exactly what is needed for the Gospel to continue to spread.

SABBATICAL TIME...

A sabbatical is a time of rest, rejuvenation with some learning added into the mix. Synod policy provides a sabbatical every 5 years for Executive Staff. Beth Anderson will be on sabbatical this summer from June 19th through August 10th.

We honor the sabbatical time by not contacting Beth during her time away. Other synod staff will step in to provide support to our congregations and groups, just let us know what you need.

THANKS BE TO GOD!!!

We celebrate with Kayla Hill and Annie Langseth as they graduate from seminary this spring. Both are candidates of the Western North Dakota Synod. May God Bless them as they enter into Word and Sacrament ministry.

CONSIDERING YOUR CALLING...

Do you have questions about your vocational calling? Are you wondering if Rostered Leadership in the ELCA should be a consideration for you? Or is the call to explore ways to serve faithfully in your current callings? The Western North Dakota Synod Candidacy Committee will meet June 15th and 16th. Friday evening June 15th the committee will host a discernment dinner at 6:30PM at the synod office.

You are invited to come with your questions, your uncertainties and just talk with others who are in discernment. Bring a friend, a pastor or a mentor with you if you would like. Just come, as you are and explore where God might be calling you.

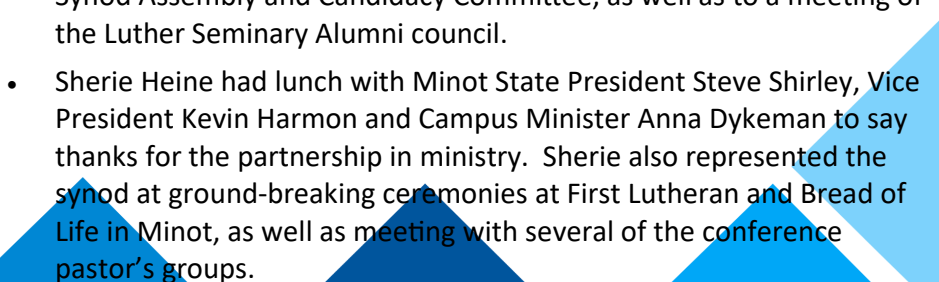
GIFTS COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE IN STRATEGIC VISIONING...

For almost 30 years Western North Dakota has been blessed to have an excellent lay ministry academy known as GIFTS (Growing In Faith To Serve). Over the years the program has shifted as the needs of participants and congregations have shifted. This summer a group of people will gather to once again wonder what God is calling GIFTS to be in this particular time.

We invite you to pray for the leadership of the GIFTS Program. Know that raising up lay leaders for congregations is essential to the future of our synod's ministry.

STAFF ON THE MOVE...

What have synod staff been up to in the last month or so?

- Faith Simoneig has worked with Zion, Towner, Metigoshe Lutheran, met with Pastor Dorothy Williams at Killdeer as well as Pastor Michael HarriSon with the Prairie Hope Parish. Faith also hosted a Live Streamed event in Dickinson and is providing scholarships to a couple of conferences – contact her for more information.
 - Beth Anderson has met with the LYO board, been deep into organizing Synod Assembly and Candidacy Committee, as well as to a meeting of the Luther Seminary Alumni council.
 - Sherie Heine had lunch with Minot State President Steve Shirley, Vice President Kevin Harmon and Campus Minister Anna Dykeman to say thanks for the partnership in ministry. Sherie also represented the synod at ground-breaking ceremonies at First Lutheran and Bread of Life in Minot, as well as meeting with several of the conference pastor's groups.
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Joint Service on July 29th will take place at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.