

FIRST NEWS

A monthly publication for the members and friends of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

JUNE 2024

June 2024 Time with Tom

June is a month when we send our children out after graduation into a world full of possibilities but also a world full of wolves. High School graduates may look for summer employment or may fill their days with activities, playing and enjoying their last days of living with parents soaking in the blessings of youth in the care of a parent. College graduates will no doubt begin a career after years of study and preparation. They have been working hard to develop skills and knowledge for just that purpose. The hopes and dreams of both the student and the parent are high at this point and we all want what is best for our children, and we want them to be happy and successful. This is a great time of the year for all people. Jesus at the end of his ministry on earth sent his disciples out into the world to attend to the people God had called them too. It is a time of saying goodbye and a time of testing the metal of our training. Like Jesus, the parents of our graduates have done all they can to this point but will not abandon them. It is a time of freeing them to begin working this out on their own. Jesus says in *Acts 1:8* *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.* Jesus is sending them with his spirit, the spirit that will be their guide. Parents have given their spirit to their children but they will also give a phone number for the graduate to call when they are in need. Jesus also gives us his phone number; we just call it "prayer." We can call on Jesus at any time in prayer. We call on him when things are difficult and when things are going well. We hope we have set good examples for our children and as they head out into the world making their mark let us pray they too will be proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, in the way they live their life. Jesus sent the disciples to be witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. We will be sending our children to Meeker County, Minnesota, and all the United States and to the ends of the earth. Let us help them by praying for the Spirit of God to lead them as Jesus did the first disciples. In addition, let us do as Jesus taught us according to *Matthew 22: 35* *and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 36* *Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? 37* *He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' 38* *This is the greatest and first commandment. 39* *And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' 40* *On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.* Can we send our children like lambs into a world full of wolves without an advocate? Jesus gave his disciples the advocate called the Holy Spirit; this same spirit is here for us and for our children. I want you to welcome our new Associate Pastor and his family to Litchfield. Pastor Michael, his wife Pastor Erika, their children Henry, Benjamin, and Eliza welcome in peace.

Live in peace and the God of Love and peace will be with you. 2nd Cor. 13:11
Pastor Tom Evenson

Our mission: First Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to **welcome** people to faith in Jesus Christ; **equip** persons with a faith that works in real life; and **send** us in service into the world in Jesus' name.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Mon. - Thur. 8 AM - 4:30 PM
Fri. 8 AM - 12 PM
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Church Council

**“GOD’S WORK.
OUR HANDS.”**

First Evangelical Lutheran Church Council 2024

PRESIDENT:

Tanner Eberling

VICE PRESIDENT:

Corey Cervin

SECRETARY:

Mattie Baumgartner

TREASURER:

Andy Miller

Team Representatives:

Christian Education/ Youth & Family:

Abby Hemmingway
Amy Nelson
Sabrara Evenson
Karla Hyberger

Stewardship & Finance:

Karla Kadelbach
Andy Miller
Mike Langmo

Social Ministry/ Evangelism:

Meredith Elj
Abby Hemmingway
Amy Nelson
Sabrara Evenson
Betty Allen
Karla Kadelbach
Karla Hyberger

Endowment/Memorial:

Corey Cervin
Tanner Eberling

Property:

Mattie Baumgartner
Tanner Eberling
Betty Allen

Worship:

Meredith Elj
Mike Langmo
Amy Nelson

Personnel:

Tanner Eberling
Corey Cervin

MST:

Karla Kadelbach
Sabrara Evenson

First Evangelical Lutheran Church – Council Minutes – Tuesday May 21, 2024

Our mission: FLC exists to welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ, equip persons with a faith that works in real life, and send us in service into the world in Jesus’ name.

Council Membership

2025: Corey Cervin, Andy Miller, Mike Langmo, Meredith Elj, Karla Hyberger

2026: Amy Nelson, Abby Hemmingway, Mattie Baumgartner, Karla Kadelbach

2027: Betty Allen, Sabrara Evenson, Tanner Eberling

Devotions by Betty Allen

Secretary Report: Approved

Treasurer Report: Approved

Pastor Tom Report Given Update and Final Plans for the MST 2024 trip are completed and everything ready for Pastor Michael to start in June.

Reports from teams:

Worship: Getting ready for the summer schedule and coop worships

Social Ministry: Very successful Communion Luncheon and Potluck Brunch for new member Sunday thank you to all that participated in helping.

Property: Flooring and carpeting should start happening in June.

Old Business: Synod Assembly June 8th via Zoom at the church still need one more voting member to attend.

New Business: June 2nd installation of Pastor Michael will be giving our name tags in narthex and Synod Pastor will be here to do the installation of new pastor to the church,

MST 2026 treasurer to be Amy Berube motion was made by Mike Langmo to accept Amy was second by Sabrara Evenson and all approved motion carried

Planning for National Night Out on August 6th was discussed with doing the same as other years in central park hotdogs chips and water

Dates To Remember:

Installation Pastor Michael – June 2nd 9:00

Team Meetings – June 4th 7:00

Executive Team Meeting – June 4th 6:30

Council Meeting -June 18th – 7:00

Synod Assembly – June 8th @ First Lutheran 9:00

Confirmation Camp – June 9th – 13th

Coop Service Beckville Picnic Grounds – June 30th 10:45

Coop Service Fairgrounds Bandshell – August 4th 10:45

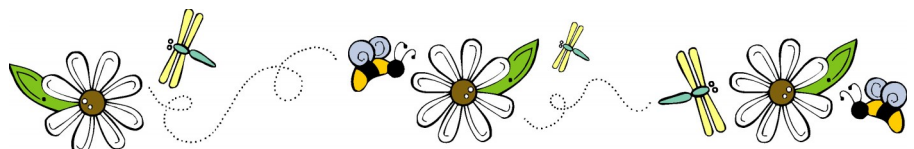
National Night Out – August 6th

Prayer was given by Pastor Tom

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15

Submitted as un-approved minutes by Karla Kadelbach

First Lutheran Church
W/Participating Crow
River Conference
Churches
(Zoom Meeting)
SW MN ELCA
Synod Assembly
Chilstrom Hall
June 8, 2024
9 a.m to 5 p.m.



Stewardship & Finance

General Fund :

Total Income for the month of April 2024: \$48,829
Expenses for the month of April 2024: \$40,491

Year to Date:

Income as of April 2024: \$148,186
Expenses as of April 2024: \$147,206

Giving

It isn't just a selfless act
It's transference of love
Joining in connection
Like earth and sky above

Giving provides purpose
That extends beyond our reach
And gives us all some lessons
That more of us should teach

What will you give today
What love might you share
To do something special
Just to show you care

Energy must stay moving
If we are all to live
We each can keep love flowing
With each thing we give

sacredpoems.com



Memorials & Gifts, Thanks

Gifts were given to the Faith Chest fund in honor of Rick Sandry's 80th Birthday from Gary Smith and Janet Lange, and Barb DeGrote.

Gifts were given to the General fund and Sunday School fund in memory of Douglas Forster from Steve and Jackie Kraushaar, Gary Smith and Janet Lange, and John and Shirley Lekander.

A gift was given to the Carpet fund in remembrance of my mother Elva Shea and her mother Betsy Johnson with love from Carol Rowell.

A gift was given to the General fund in celebration of their 60th Anniversary from Mike and Kris Nelson

Special Thanks

March Serving Group—Belated Thank you to the workers, you are very much appreciated and we couldn't do it without you! From Lana and Jerry Johnson, and Judy and Mark Hulterstrum

Dear First Lutheran Church and Quilters, Thank you very much for the quilt I received during the senior recognition service. I will appreciate having the quilt at college next year.
Sincerely, TJ Christensen

Thank you so much to everyone who has helped with my mother's funeral "Toot's" Monica Collins. We appreciate everyone's help and prayers. God Bless.
Love, Curt and Nikki White, and Dennis Collins.

Thank you so much for the prayer shawl. I was totally surprised when Sabrara brought the shawl to me. I just love it. I am so thankful for all the love and support of my family and friends through this unforeseen journey. God will take care of me and give me the strength I need. Again, thank you for your generosity and kindness.
Julie Gorres (Sabrara Evenson's mom)

COME TO VBS!



Location: First Lutheran Church
Litchfield

Dates: June 3 - June 5

Time: 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Register by calling the church
office 320-693-2487

Everyone is invited for
Ice Cream after our 6:30 p.m.

Worship Service
on Wed. June 5th

Hope to see you there!

The best week of the summer!

- New friends • Amazing experiments
- Creative games • Lip-smacking snacks
- Surprising adventures • Incredible music

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In June 2024

Announcements

Graduation & Enlistment Party
Nickolas Peterson
Saturday June 1st
4 - 7 p.m.
718 S. Gilman Ave.
Litchfield

Alixzandar Rodriguez
Saturday, June 1st
1 - 5 p.m.
at FLC
Chilstrom Hall
703 South Sibley Ave.
Litchfield

Shelby Dengerud
Sunday, June 2nd
from 9 a.m. -12 p.m.
at our house.
34195 CSAH 30,
Grove City

Peyton Ratike
Sunday June 2nd
1 - 4 p.m.
Darwin Rod and Gun Club
68350 US HWY 12
Dassel

Jacob & Zachary Quast
Sunday June 2nd
1 - 4 p.m.
Litchfield Civic Arena
900 N Gilman Ave.
Litchfield

Carli Gabrielson
Friday June 7th,
5 - 8 p.m.
Darwin Rod and Gun Club
68350 US HWY 12
Dassel

Elliot Fluck
Saturday, June 8th
from 4 -7 p.m.
at our home
627 S. Swift Ave.
Litchfield

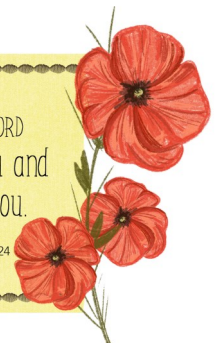
High School Senior Recognition and Quilt Service

Sunday, May 5, 2024



The LORD
bless you and
keep you.

Numbers 6:24





2024 SUMMER CAMP



June 9-13	Confirmation Up North at Camp House
June 16-20	Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Pastor's Family Camp at Green Lake Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*
June 23-27	Youth Programs & Fishing Camp (grades 5-7) at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*
June 30-July 6	Ordinary Time at Camp House*
July 7-11	Camp Joy (July 8-11) at Green Lake Bible Camp Ordinary Time at Camp House*
July 14-18	Onsite Day Camp & Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Family Camp at Green Lake Bible Camp
July 21-25	Youth Programs & Fishing Camp (grades 7-9) at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Grandparent & Grandchild Camp (July 21-24) at Green Lake Bible Camp
July 28-Aug 1	Onsite Day Camp & Youth Programs at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp Grandparent & Grandchild Camp (July 28-31) at Green Lake Bible Camp

We can't wait to have you join us this summer at one of our beautiful sites, to pause, reflect, and experience an amazing community with our staff and with each other.

Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp New London, MN
Green Lake Bible Camp Spicer, MN
Camp House Brimson, MN

This schedule is subject to change and some programs fill quickly. Use our online registration system to view current program availability or call us at 320-796-2181.

The camp week begins Sunday afternoon. Full-week overnight camp programs end Thursday evening. Half Blast ends Tuesday evening.

Youth Programs includes Half Blast, Base Camp, Trailblazers, Stargazers, and Community Guides.

***Ordinary Time** at Camp House is June 15-July 12. Read more about this exciting opportunity at GLLM.org!

DISCOUNTS

Early Bird Discount
\$50 off each program through February 15.

Sibling Discount
\$25 for a full week
\$15 for Half Blast

No discounts apply to Onsite Day Camp or Camp Joy.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 14, 2023
Registration Opens

January 18, 2024
Blocks Released

February 15, 2024
Early Bird Discount Ends

May 23, 2024
Final Camper Payments Due

Grades	Program
K-5	Onsite Day Camp
1-4	Half Blast
2-5	Base Camp
5-7	Trailblazers
5-9	Fishing Camp
7-9	Stargazers
10-12	Community Guides

Program eligibility is based on the grade your camper has completed by the summer of 2024. Confirmation Up North is open to confirmation-aged students.

Registration Questions? 320-796-2181 or camp@gllm.org

For information about campership funds from FLC, please call the church office 320-693-2487.

Churchwide



Please join us Sunday, June 23rd at 10 a.m.
for coffee and treats
To celebrate Charlie and Jo Ann Lindstrom's
70th Wedding Anniversary
Per the couple - absolutely no gifts.



Reverend Michael Buller



Litchfield Rotary

Shoe Drive

Now Until June 30th, 2024



Donate Your Gently Used and New Shoes!

**Ask Friends, Family and Neighbors to
Donate TOO!**

Litchfield Rotary Shoe Drive

Collecting new or slightly used shoes. All sizes for
kids, men, and women. The shoes are used for
Micro Businesses in less fortunate countries.

There will be a collection box in the Narthex.

Any questions contact Dennis Gartner, 320-221-3636

Thank you for your support!

Ostmark Lutheran Church

32721 - 680th Ave., Watkins, MN 55289

130th Anniversary Celebration
and
Playground Dedication

Sunday, June 23

For more information, go to Ostmark's facebook page

*** 10 a.m. Morning Worship**

Includes dedication of a new children's playground

Catered dinner with many Swedish favorites to follow

This annual Swedish Midsummer gathering will include:

* Special Music * Children's Activities

* Church History * Photo Displays

* And Reminiscing with Old Friends and Neighbors

Welcome,
New Members



Pastor Michael and Erika Buller,
Henry, Benjamin, and Eliza



Bob and Ruth Kerstein



Eric and Heidi Kerstein

Not pictured: Dale Rosenberg



Darlene and Adam
Koltelnicki



New Member Sunday - May 19, 2024
Potluck Brunch and Fellowship



Churchwide

June 2024 Worship Schedule

Sunday, June 2, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship Service with Communion
Baptism and Installation for Pastor Michael Buller
10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, June 9, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, June 16, 2024 * Father's Day

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, June 23, 2024

9:00 a.m. Worship w/Communion
10:00 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee Hour

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

6:30 p.m. Worship w/Comm., Chapel

Sunday, June 30, 2024 * ELCA COOP

No Service held at First Lutheran Church
10:45 a.m. ELCA COOP Worship Service with
Communion at Lake Minnie Belle
Beckville Church Picnic Grounds
61356 194th St, Litchfield, MN 55355

Special dates

- Flag Day, June 14, 2024
- Father's Day, June 16, 2024
- Juneteenth, June 19, 2024
- First day of summer, June 20, 2024



American Red Cross

Blood Drive

June 20, 2024

12:30 - 6:30 p.m.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church
703 South Sibley Ave.
Litchfield
Chilstrom Hall

For more information
Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS
(1-800-733-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Litchfield
to schedule an appointment.

MOVIE NIGHT Saturday, June 15, 2024

5:00 p.m.

Holy Word Theater, FLC
Movie: TBD....

Please join us for a good movie and popcorn.
Please bring your own beverage.

Local Cable Public Access TV Schedule:

Sun.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	COOP
Mon.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	COOP
Tue.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. FLC
Wed.	11 a.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. COOP
Thu.	11 a.m. Encore Pres.	Sun. Trinity G.C.
Thu.	3 p.m. Encore Presentation	Sun. FLC



God is our refuge
and strength.

Psalm 46:1



June 2024 Calendar

June 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8:00 a.m. Men's Group 1 - 5 p.m. Graduation Open House Alizxander Rodriguez, Chilstrom Hall
2 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm Installation of Pastor Buller Baptism, Wade Bailey 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee		4 7:00 a.m. Brew 2:00 p.m. Worship/M.M. 5:30 p.m. Worship Team Mtg. 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel 6:30 p.m. Executive Team 7:00 p.m. Team Meetings	5 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	6 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	7	8 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Synod Assembly Conference Gathering, Chilstrom Hall
9 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee Confirmation Camp Begins, GLLM - Camp House		11 7:00 a.m. Brew 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. M.A.M. Annual Meeting, Chilstrom Hall 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	12 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	13 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	14 9:30 a.m. Christian Women's Meeting 2:00 p.m. Graveside service for Kathi Jump (Alice Harding's daughter) Cake and Coffee following the service in Chilstrom Hall	15 8:00 a.m. Men's Group 5:00 p.m. Movie Night, Holy Word Theater
16 Father's Day 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee		18 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel 7:00 p.m. Church Council	19 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	20 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 12:30 - 7:00 PM Blood Drive, Chilstrom Hall 1:30 p.m. WELCA Meeting, Chapel 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	21	22
23 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Comm. 10:00 a.m. Fellowship/ Coffee Celebrating Charlie and Jo Ann Lindstrom's 70 th Anniversary		25 7:00 a.m. Brew 6:30 p.m. N/A, Chapel	26 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 11a.m. - 2p.m. Back-up Location, Pact for Families 6:30 p.m. Worship/Chapel	27 7:55 a.m. "Open Gate" KLFD 2:00 p.m. Ecumen Worship 6:30 p.m. Smart Recovery, Chapel	28	29 8:00 a.m. Men's Group
30 ELCA COOP 10:45 a.m. Worship/Comm. Beckville Picnic Grounds, Lake Minnie Bell No Service held at FLC						


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Serving Group & Birthdays

JUNE 2024 SERVING GROUP	Bryan & Linda Larson
Chairs:	Gary & Lori Larson
Ruth Massingham	Tyler & Jordyn Larson
James & Elaine Lenhard	Daniel & Heather Lease
Ben Kranz & Chelsea Snodgrass	David & Deanna Lease
Kathy Kronbeck	Jonathan & Penny Lease
Russell & Shirley Kronbeck	Mitch & Jordyn Lease
Todd & Sarah Kuechle	John & Shirley Lekander
Allene Lachelt	Allen and Dana Liestman
Tony Laidlaw	Charlie & JoAnn Lindstrom
Michael & Debra Langmo	Ramona Lohse

June Ushers
9:00 a.m.
 Jerry Johnson - C
 John Carlson
 Jason Michels
 Steve Durkee
 Desiree Birch


June
 Karen Eberhard



JUNE 1
 Ashley Christopherson
 Weston DeWolf
 Douglas Forster
 Christina Haas
 Leo Ludowese
 Carol Muske
 Randall Reinke
JUNE 2
 Madison Hacker
 Richard Heath
 Robert Sackett
JUNE 3
 Kalle Cervin
 Shannon Manning
 Stacy Sandstrom
 Elizabeth Schmidt
 John Schmitz
 Susan Steinhaus
 Breanna Whitcomb
 Merry Schmidt
JUNE 4
 David Johnson
 Kyle Rueckert
 Chris Thompson
JUNE 5
 Jady Deitchman
 Clarissa Miller

JUNE 6
 Taylor Draeger
 Esmerelda Giang
 Barb Piepenburg
JUNE 7
 Aaron Fitzloff
 Travis Miller
 Timothy Nelson
JUNE 8
 Whitney Rick
 Carol Rowell
 Lillian Scheuermann
 Ruthann Sutter
 Izavella Wagner
JUNE 9
JUNE 10
 Casey Birch
 Jesse Birch
 Kristine Grotto
 Quinten Whitcomb
 Shane Zeppelin
JUNE 12
 Lydia Asmus
 Keith Fredrickson
JUNE 13
 Karen Frank
 Jordan Hanson

JUNE 14
 Julie Fredrickson
 Sandra Gabrielson
 Jayden Pinilla
 Robert Powers
 Brad Silverberg
JUNE 15
 Barbara Keller
 Julie Ross
 Miles Schilla
 Douglas Sherwood
JUNE 16
 Michael Watts
JUNE 17
 Logan Bailey
 Tanner Eberling
 Richard Fiting
 Esmerelda Giang
 Gerry Klimstra
 Lucas Miller
 Janet Nelson
JUNE 18
 Devin Alsleben
 Jodi Findley
 Dr. Daniel Johnson
 Kelly Lemmer
 Justin Thoma

JUNE 19
 Brooks Dengerud
 Abigail Adams
 Emily Gaulrapp
JUNE 20
 Sylvia Baumgartner
 Lisa Hoyer
 Ashton Nelson
 Tyler Peterson
 Mason Quast
 Charisse Triche
JUNE 21
 Daniel Carlson
 Gary Cervin
 Brooks Nelson
JUNE 22
 Benjamin Blomberg
 Erick Hanson
 Russell Kronbeck
JUNE 23
 James Anderson II
 Robert Frank
JUNE 24
 Aubrey Gabrielson
 Ryan Hawes
 Jayden Hoecke
 Lana Johnson

JUNE 25
JUNE 26
 John Carlson
 Anna Durkee
 Jennifer Madsen
 Nickolas Peterson
JUNE 27
 Allison Hoffmann
 Mark Holmgren
JUNE 29
 Rebecca Elj
 Lacy Jo Johnson
 Mike Klabunde
 Alexandra Stewart
JUNE 30
 Lori Ballard
 Mitchell Elj
 Kaleb Hanson
 Shirley Kronbeck
 Aliza Laidlaw
 Jeremy Sanden

June 2024

Senior Dining Menu

Monday, June 3	Tuesday, June 4	Wednesday, June 5	Thursday, June 6	Friday, June 7
Honey Glazed Chicken	Beef Chow Mein	Chicken & Wild Rice Soup	Roast Turkey & Gravy	Spaghetti & Meatsauce
Rice	Oriental Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potatoes	California Blend Vegetable
Country Vegetable Blend	Sliced Peaches	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Peas & Carrots	Fresh Fruit
Fresh Fruit	Frosted Banana Cake	Diced Pears	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Breadstick
Dinner Roll w/Margarine	1% Milk	Vanilla Pudding Parfait	Fruit Crisp	1% Milk
1% Milk		1% Milk	1% Milk	Margarine
Monday, June 10	Tuesday, June 11	Wednesday, June 12	Thursday, June 13	Friday, June 14
Sloppy Joes	Chicken a la King	Pork Loin	Chicken & Noodles	Beef Vegetable Stew
Baked Beans	Biscuit	Baked Yams	Peas & Carrots	Biscuit
Applesauce	Mixed Vegetables	Broccoli Florets	Bread w/Margarine	Green Peas
Dessert of the Day	Lime Pineapple Gelatin	Combread w/Margarine	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Margarine
Hamburger Bun	1% Milk	Peach Crisp	1% Milk	Cinnamon Baked Apples
1% Milk		1% Milk		1% Milk
Monday, June 17	Tuesday, June 18	Wednesday, June 19	Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21
Beef Pepper Steak	Orange Chicken	Closed for Juneteenth Holiday (Extra cold meal sent Tuesday)	Beef Cabbage Bake	Lemon Pepper Chicken
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy	Broccoli Florets		Buttered Corn	Brown Rice
Peas & Carrots	Rice Pilaf		Fresh Fruit	Country Vegetable Blend
Bread w/Margarine	Pineapple Tidbits		Bread w/Margarine	Dinner Roll w/Margarine
Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	Wheat Dinner Roll w/Margarine		1% Milk	Pumpkin Spice Cake
1% Milk	1% Milk			1% Milk
Monday, June 24	Tuesday, June 25	Wednesday, June 26	Thursday, June 27	Friday, June 28
Chicken, Broccoli and Rice Casserole	Pork Carnitas	Meatloaf w/Gravy	Ginger Pot Roast	Tuna Noodle & Pea Casserole
Carrot Coins	Rice Pilaf	Mashed Potatoes	Au Gratin Potatoes	Broccoli Florets
Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Green Peas	Buttered Corn	Peas & Carrots	Dinner Roll w/Margarine
Lemon Bar	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Bread w/Margarine	Dinner Roll w/Margarine	Fruited Gelatin Parfait
1% Milk	Applesauce Swirl Cake	Fresh Fruit	Chilled Peaches	1% Milk
	1% Milk	1% Milk	1% Milk	

Litchfield Site: 320-693-6203 LSS Meals | Traditional | Older Adult

WELCA MINUTES May 16, 2024

WELCA met on May 16, 2024, in Chilstrom Hall with Betty Allen calling the meeting to order. The Purpose Statement was recited. Devotions were given by Betty.

The secretary's report was printed and Lana Johnson made a motion to approve with a second by Marlys Elam. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was also printed and Kris Nelson made a motion to approve with a second by Sue Lemmer. Motion Carried. A reminder was given that the WELCA Thank Offering envelop is in the weekly offering packet. Please turn in your WELCA offering envelop or use a regular envelop and label it for WELCA and put it in the offering plate or turn it into the office, or mail it.

The kitchen will be painted before the flooring is installed. Karla Rick was asked to submit a bid. The new flooring will have a little cushion and be skid resistant.

The Bloodmobile will be at first on June 20th, so the WELCA meeting will be held in the chapel.

Zion has a share a meal once a month and it was discussed whether we should start that at First. First members who come to the meal would bring a dish to share and guests would eat free. It was decided to table that the decision at this time.

A welcome for our new associate pastor and his family will be held after services on June 2nd. Tea rings, cheeses, punch and coffee will be served.

Betty talked to the manager of Family Fare and requested that when an order is placed in advance for a funeral, that the food be ready for pickup. She waited 45 minutes for the order which was not ready.

August Funday was discussed. It was suggested that we go to Dykstra's Flower Garden by Blomkest. Betty will check with them to see if they would be open on our August 15th meeting day.

Serving next month is Dee Bollin and Dianne Thorp

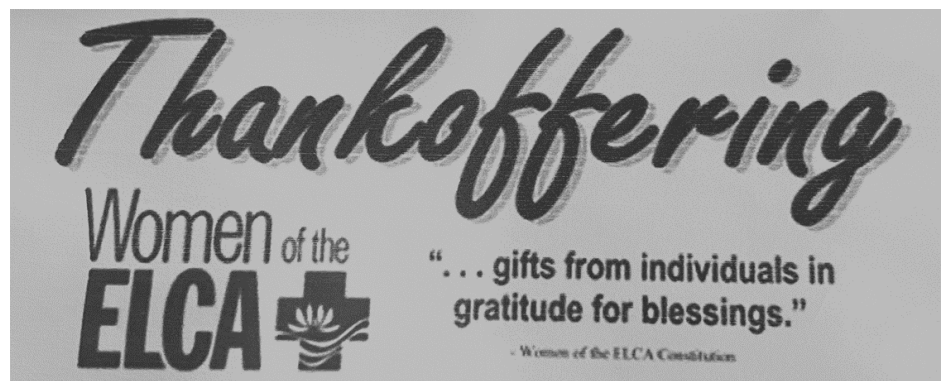
Dates to Remember: June 20th WELCA in Chapel at 1:30
June 20th -Bloodmobile Chilstrom Hall

Thank you to Laverne Decker and Mildred Neitzel for serving today.

The Lord's Prayer was recited. The meeting was adjourned and the group put in the ropes for school kits and some rolled bandages.

Respectively submitted,

Sue Lemmer, Secretary



Women of First: Please donate to our Thank Offering Drive where the gifts will be donated to the Community.

Need fast relief? Slow down!

Actor Lily Tomlin reportedly said, “For fast-acting relief, try slowing down.” Summer doesn’t seem to be the “slow season” it once was — if indeed it ever truly was. But perhaps we can use it as incentive to take some “downtime” around the plethora of activities, travel and always-busy work schedules. Pause and accept Jesus’ invitation: “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest” (Mark 6:31, NIV).

It may be a refreshing spot at a lake, a hike in the woods, an early-morning fishing trip. Maybe, around your work schedule, you can reserve time for a few days of church camp, a picnic at the city park, a nap on a blanket in the backyard sun. Help the kids in your life discover what it’s like to *not* be on the go and to take a screen-time sabbath — even to experience boredom and see what creativity blossoms. Do art projects together, ride bikes, paint with water or chalk on the sidewalk, pick berries, bake cookies, solve puzzles, sing songs!

Try slowing down, as Lily Tomlin — and even Jesus — advised. In summer, and any time, it’s good for the soul!



Thank you to the volunteers who helped with cutting and clean up of the dying trees on the north side of the church. This will help make way for the new sprinkler system.





PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY:



*Our members known to be in the military are:

- Staff Sgt. US Army, Zachary Olimb**, Vicenza, Italy, grandson of Edna Oldenburg, and Lil Madson;
- Master Sgt. Austin Kleinschmidt**, 934th Airwing, Minneapolis, son of Kipp and Lynette Kleinschmidt;
- Staff Sgt. Matthew Wiechmann**, stationed at Fort Drum, NY; son of Virgil and Jamie Wiechmann;
- Eric Kammermeier**, Chief Petty Officer HSC-23, United States Navy, son-in-law of Mike and Beth Boyle;

Welcome Home! to those of you who now have returned to the States. Thank you all for your service

*Please let the office know if titles, locations, and/or addresses have changed for any of the above.

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Be still, Receive God's Love, Embrace God's Word, Welcome the Day.

B.R.E.W.

meets every **Tuesday morning at 7:00 a.m.** with Pastor Tom for coffee and fellowship. Join us!!

Save your greeting cards!

They can be recycled! They will take the whole card or you can cut off the signed names, if you wish. I will drop them off at the Senior Center in Hutchinson. ****No Christmas Cards please.**

Thank you! Elaine Lenhard

Please keep our shut-in members in your prayers,

Meeker Manor: Lois Rusch

Bethany Home: Janet Lundin, Mae Brehmer, Wendy Norine

Litchfield, in own home: Jutta Goodrich, Darlene Miller

Lakeside, Dassel: Edna Oldenburg

VA Health Care, St. Cloud: Gordon Johnson



Forgiveness does not mean ignoring what has been done or putting a false label on an evil act. It means, rather, that the evil act no longer remains as a barrier to the relationship. Forgiveness is a catalyst creating the atmosphere necessary for a fresh start and a new beginning. It is the lifting of a burden or the canceling of a debt.

—Martin Luther King Jr.



WELCA Meeting

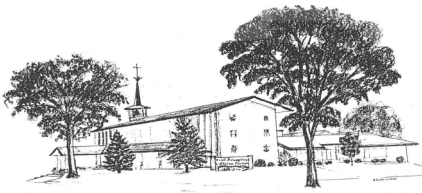
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10:45 AM

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Worship Service at Lake Minnie Belle with
ELCA COOP Band.

Beckville Church Picnic Grounds
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Bring your lawn chairs.

