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OUR CHURCH IN OUR COMMUNITIES



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

May 2022

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**St. Luke's Lutheran
final worship/closure service**

May 15, 2022

@ 10:30 am followed by lunch

No services at English

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R.S.V.P.

ELC 100th Anniversary

by May 16, 2022

if you are planning to attend

See page 3 for more details

Our Mission:

Called to be shepherds, doing God's work, daily.

Jesus Prays

On the same night that Jesus gathers with his disciples for the Last Supper, Jesus prays, "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me....Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." John 17:20-26

When we cooperate with other Christians, we become the living examples of what Jesus prayed for us when he gathered with his disciples. We who believe in Jesus may all be one. The love of God that was in Jesus lives in us.

This kind of cooperation can be very formal, like the kinds of cooperation that the Planning Team has been discussing since last October for eight specific ELCA congregations in our area. Or this kind of cooperation can be very informal, like the cooperation of our congregations to host an evening of painting for youth at Atonement Lutheran in May with the artist, Pastor Paul Oman, who provided the videos of miracles of Jesus painted on a grand scale to bring a deeper understanding to these miracles.

Another kind of cooperation is the kind that happens one on one between neighbors and friends. I've heard many stories of caring for one another during these past couple of years that have really touched my heart. One woman invites her neighbor to her apartment to participate in the 10:45 am live stream. Together they share communion with the whole congregation as this holy meal of Jesus is extended to them in the apartment living room. Another couple found comfort from the church after their neighbor knew they were going through a difficult health crises and suggested that they give the pastor a call because our church is open to everyone. Driveways shoveled. Garbage cans returned home after their wind blown adventure. A warm meal brought to a family following the birth of a child. Each of these one on one acts shows the love of God living through us.

First Communion @ English Lutheran

Thirteen youth made their 1st Communion in April. Congratulations to all of you as you continue your Faith journey.



Pastor Erik Weber,

Isayah Olson

Lillian Higdem



b: Pastor Erik Weber, McCall Dockter, Aubree Lachenmeier, Karson Schmidt, Dallas Opp, Dylan Lytle, Jayden Opp

f: Xander Hayes, Teddi Dockter, Trina Hayes, Angel Hayes, Kaden Bodvig, Bishop Tessa Moon-Leiseth

Final Worship Service!!

St. Luke Lutheran Church - Streeter, North Dakota



On May 15, 2022 St. Luke Lutheran Church will hold their final worship/closure service at 10:30 am. Lunch will be furnished after the service.

There will be no worship service at English that day. You are being encouraged to attend the service at St. Luke's.

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“Palm tree” at English Lutheran on Palm Sunday

Discernment Process among South Central North Dakota ELCA Congregations

Overview

The Planning Team met April 19 and worked through the next steps for our discernment process.

1. A short video presentation introduces the two models to all eight congregations. The video will be used in all of the congregations to introduce the two models.
2. Diagrams of each of the models will be used in the video and be available for handouts.
3. At each of the congregations time will be allotted for questions, comments, and conversation about the models. The video presentation and the conversation time will be led by representatives from the local congregation and/or representatives from other participating congregations.
4. All congregation members who view the video and/or participate in the follow-up conversation will be invited to complete the Congregation Consensus Poll. This will measure the level of agreement and support for both of the options.
5. The video presentation and Consensus Poll will be available online at the congregations' websites. Those who want to view the video and complete the poll who were not able to attend the other meetings will be able to do so.

Future Steps of the Timeline

April 24—May 15—First set of Options will be presented to each congregation for feedback

May 20—June—Refined options and a recommendation from the Planning Team will be presented to each congregation. Congregations will be asked to decide whether or not to continue as they are or to accept the recommended option(s) and begin implementing those plans.

Next Steps

When dates are announced for visits from the Presentation and Listening Team, please plan to participate. Expect the next opportunities to be after Easter.

- Jesus Christ calls these congregations to be in mission in our communities
- Relationships within and among congregations are important
- Joy for volunteers, participants and staff will sustain this model
- Communication within and among congregations is essential

Phillip Hofmann and Bryan Behm – English Lutheran, Medina
 Brett Thielges and Char Freeberg – St. John’s Lutheran, Jamestown
 Joni Zink and Bob Toso – Trinity Lutheran, Jamestown
 Deb Elhard and Jodi Bruns — Christ the King, Ellendale
 Ben Pesek and Lucinda Malm — Zion, Kulm
 Derek Hust and Bonnie Denning — Emmanuel, Gackle
 Teagan Thompson and Deb Hatlewick — Immanuel, Jamestown
 LeAnn Fuchs and Tory Hart — Atonement, Jamestown

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is like a **FLOWER**

Beautiful

Happy Mother's Day

BIRTHDAYS

May

Ben Juelfs	May 1
Sharon Otto	May 3
Molly Harr	May 3
Alice Opp	May 6
Ardis Hochhalter	May 7
Addison Hofmann	May 8
Mindy Kapp	May 10
Benjamin Juelfs	May 12
Hudson Zillmer	May 13
Micaiah Kliem	May 14
Katie Dewald	May 14
Jayme Andres	May 16
Eldroy Salinas	May 16
JaSondra Schmidt	May 18
Carley Kliem	May 18
Zachary Hofmann	May 21
Daven Dockter	May 25

June

Emelia Greer	June 1
Kathy Hieb	June 2
Jennifer Hayes	June 2
Elaine Martel	June 5
Adeline Link	June 6
Darlene Dockter	June 7
Linda Morlock	June 9
Gracie Gunderson	June 9
Dylan Lytle	June 11
Reagan Dockter	June 11
Krysta Olson	June 12
Emmett Nenow	June 13
Aiden Greer	June 14
Lane Schmidt	June 15
Debbie Zillmer	June 17
Kadie Gefroh	June 18
Gil Everding	June 18
Leroy Wieland	June 19
Maynard Link	June 20
Camden Hofmann	June 21
Keefer Nenow	June 21
Sherry Schmidt	June 24

Celebrating May/June Anniversaries

Eldroy & Dawn Salinas	May 17, 2003
Frank & Tammy Reis	May 21, 1982
Maynard & Adeline Link	May 26, 1963
Ron & Sharon Otto	June 3, 1972
Jeff & Linda Morlock	June 5, 1981
Leroy & JoAnn Wieland	June 10, 1962
Rob & Katy Ruff	June 11, 2016
Gary & Kathy Hieb	June 13, 1987
Joe & Sherry Schmidt	June 15, 2001
Dale & Denise Wittmier	June 17, 1978
Bill & Michelle Lytle	June 17, 2006
Tim & Renae Olson	June 14, 1980
Jared & Julie Opp	June 29, 1974