



## **NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022**

### **COUNCIL MINUTES FOR NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH AUGUST 9, 2022**

**Call to order and Devotions**- by Rick Broten and EPIC Video- “The call process” Discernment, challenges and resources.

**Non council members/ Visitor reports**: Rhonda Candler

**Secretaries report**: Read and accepted

**Treasurer's report**: M/S/C Grant/Jeff/ Council to transfer prepaid fuel from general fund to fuel fund of \$400 each month.

**Pastors Report:**

40 people averaging on Sundays, 50-100 people on facebook  
Children sermons are on facebook  
No going forward with Arland church

**Deacon Ministries:**

August Sunday serenade is going to be performed by the Dau family  
21st- Martinson family will be leaders for worship while Pastor Ron is gone.  
28th John Kushner will lead worship, while Pastor Ron is gone.  
Looking to have “Mood Swing” and Kristine Thompson for Sunday serenade going forward.

**Trustee Ministries:**

Altar lights were changed but have burned out. Looking into track lighting or flood lighting.  
Fire sign was paid for and ordered, but not installed. Will take 4-6 weeks from July 11th. Cabinets and countertops are in the church office and paid for. Tom put extra shelving in the sound room. Looking into storage for banners.  
Retaining wall still needs to be fixed, will need volunteers to help fix it.  
Electronic sign- Will be about \$10,388. Discussed the direction that people will see the messages on the sign, tabled for the next meeting.

### **Children Youth and family:**

Sept 11 is the first day back at Sunday school. Baptism for Serenity Gordon will be performed. Blessing of backpacks will be on the 18th, encouraging Sunday school kids to bring their backpacks that Sunday.

Will start confirmation in Sept, and will be held on Sunday during Sunday school. Looking for someone to help lead Sunday school activities. Kristal will help Pastor Ron with Confirmation teaching.

**Old Business:** None

### **New Business:**

M/S/C Louise/ Kristal to spend up to \$1,000 for a new desktop office computer.

Noisy offering- September- Necessity for schools- Prairie Farm and Chetek. M/S/C Grant/ Kris/ Council

October/November noisy offering- Adopt a family.

**Next Meeting September 13 at 6:30 p.m.**

Secretary, Shelly Shipley

## **CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**

Hello NS Families!

**First Day of Sunday School: Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM.** We are going to have Pre-K, K, and 1st grade together. 2nd & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades will be together 4,5,6<sup>th</sup> grades will be together and 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades will be together. 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades will be student/volunteer helping the 2,3,4,5 and 6<sup>th</sup> grades.

**First Day of Confirmation: Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM** (We are going to try having Confirmation during Sunday School on Sundays.....if we find that this is not working with families we will go back to Wednesday evenings. Families are being pulled in so many directions right now and we need to be flexible and try new avenues – please be patient and keep me posted if there is a hardship.

**Rally Sunday – Doughnuts for Coffee Hour! Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Events coming up:

**\*Confirmation Sunday: October 23, 2022**

**(Being confirmed Reese Duncan, Natelee Dahlberg, Ashtyn Massie and Ava Hundley.)**

**\*Hanging of the Greens Sunday: November 27, 2022**

**\*Annual Children's Christmas Program: December 18, 2022**

## **This is our core curriculum before Affirmation of Baptism:**

**Pre K and K:** 2 or 3 table prayers and or bedtime prayer, The Lord's Prayer and church manners.

**1st and 2nd Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, Apostle's Creed and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd The Commandments.

**3rd and 4th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Bible usage (looking up verses).

**5th and 6th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23, John 3:16, Matthew 22:37-39, John 14:6, Matthew 7:7, Matthew 7:12, The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-12, Isaiah 40:3,5, Matthew 7:1-2, Matthew 5:43-44, 1 John 1:7, Matthew 28:19-20.

**7th and 8th Grade:** The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23, The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-12, Ephesians 2:8-9, Matthew 18:20, John 11:25-26, Matthew 25:40, Matthew 6:19-21, Mark 9:23b, Psalm 100, Roman 3:28, John 8:31b, 32, 1 Corinthians 10:13, John 20:23 and Matthew 18:18.

**High School:** Be a leader and good role model, open your Bible and devotion books 3-4 times a week or daily;), read any of the above Bible verses, The Lord's Prayer, The Apostle's Creed, The Commandments 1-10, Psalm 23.

Make homemade cards for our shut-in members. Smile often and sing –Hugs to you all!

*Kristal Gifford Superintendent~ Board of Education and Family Ministry- Kelly Martinson, Janelle Gordon and Kris Skoug*

## **WELCA MET AUGUST 11, 2022.**

Gladys opened with devotions from Hebrew 8. God's son becomes our mediator.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** was read

**TREASURER'S REPORT** was read.

We sang "Trust and Obey"

**OLD BUSINESS**-Discussed the Brunch for Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS**- A reminder that Day of Renewal is September 17<sup>th</sup> at New Hope in Sand Creek, with offering/donations going to Beds for Kids.

Bible Study was on Crafted in Christ.

Offering was taken

September 14--9:00-12:00 is quilting

September 15<sup>th</sup>. Quilting-9:00-12:00 with Bible Study at 1:30..

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*Chris Broten Secretary*

## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS.

### (bring donations to brunch on August 14)

We are asking you to bring an article from the list below so that we can start to put together the school kits for our missions. Remember that children across this world can't go to school because they do not have supplies. Let's help them!

Notebooks 70 count pages wide or college rule.

12 "ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

Non electric pencil sharpener

Blunt children scissors. Embedded steel blades work best

Number 2 pencils unsharpened please

Blue or black ink pens

24 box of crayons

2 ½ inch eraser.

If you forget or don't have time to shop, please make a financial donation and we will help with the shopping. Help these little people go school.



## Blessing the Backpacks



**Sunday September 18** we will bless the school backpacks of all our kids going back to school this Fall. During the morning worship, we will invite each of kids to come forward for with their backpack.

## Baptism of Serenity Lee Gordon

By the grace of God, we will receive this child into the family of God through Holy Baptism on Sunday, September 11.

Her parents are Matthew and Janelle Gordon.



**Accidents Happen** Noisy offering for September will be to purchase underwear and sweatpants for the Prairie Farm School and Chetek School Elementary school children. They often need clean clothes for this age child to help them if accidents happen. Please give to help us meet these children's needs.

## Alzheimer's Walk on September 10



On Saturday, September 10, join us as a church group to walk in Rice Lake to help end Alzheimer's disease. Sign up at church and we'll also get you a t-shirt for the walk!

## Church Book Club Beginning

Reading a book together gives us a chance to reflect with a few others what was meaningful or disappointing in a book. It also stimulates personal stories of association in our life. A Book Club creates a discipline to read books and keep our minds recuperative instead of degenerative.

For our first meeting is on **Sunday September 4 after church**, we will select a book together and a time at the end of the month to meet. We will select together a date, time, and place. There is a sign-up sheet at church on the first round table. Join us for the mind stimulating adventure



### September Birthdays



Ava Hundley	9/2
Valoise Severude	9/4
Kathleen Amundson	9/5
Leonard Schieffer	9/9
Retta Hilbert	9/9
Ellen Reichert	9/11
Jae Sandve	9/13
Lauretta Dalen	9/14
Adriauna Steele	9/14

Hannah Zeigle	9/16
Michelle Klefstad	9/17
Ray Matton	9/19
Tayton Dahlberg	9/21
Wesley Martinson	9/23
Sally Reckert	9/26
Traiden Gordon	9/27
Jerry Huset	9/28
Debra Schieffer	9/28
Beth Parker	9/30

# **“SUNDAY SERENADE”**

**SEPTEMBER 25TH**

Come and join us September 25<sup>th</sup> for Serenade Sunday. We will be able to hear the wonderful music of Chris Thompson and her Mom Marlyce Olson. They will be featuring some songs written by their family and friends as well as old favorite hymns.



Please talk to Louise Driver if you have someone or a group that might be willing to provide special music at church on a Sunday! Our goal is to have at least one Sunday a month for some special music. Perhaps even you would be willing to provide either vocal or instrumental music.

## **ATTENDANCE & OFFERING**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ATTEND</b>	<b>OFFERING</b>
7/24/22	38	640.00
7/31/22	38	1061.00
8/7/22	30	566.00
8/14/22	44	2165.00
8/21/22	50	690.00

## **SEPTEMBER “NOISY OFFERING”**

“Chetek & Prairie Farm” Necessity for schools

## From the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin Mission Endowment Committee

### Strengthening Ministry - Today, Tomorrow, Together

**Matthew 13:32** : “It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

This passage beautifully illustrates an image of something so small growing into a vibrant network and support system. This, in many ways is symbolic of your Synod Endowment Fund. Since its planting in 2001, the Fund has continued to sprout new branches and has supported dozens of ministries by:

1. Encouraging whole life stewardship
2. Strengthening and resourcing the ministry of the synod and
3. Enhancing the ministry of the synod in addition to, and apart from, its yearly operating budget, with emphasis on, but not limited to:
  - Strengthening congregational vitality
  - Developing ministry for the next generation and
  - Equipping and supporting new leaders through seminary debt assistance, training, and lay leader development

Since inception, the fund has grown to almost a half million dollars and has gifted over two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. In the last five years, the Endowment Fund has made gifts to ministries totaling over \$200,000 with \$81,000 of that total given toward Seminary debt assistance.

This year alone, the Endowment Fund gifted over \$47,000 to various congregations and ministries with almost \$20,000 of that total going to Seminary debt assistance. As you can see, the Endowment Fund has been actively supporting ministries throughout the church by not only speaking of God’s Love but putting that Love into action.

At this year’s April Synod Assembly, the Endowment Fund launched a two-year campaign to raise awareness of the Endowment Fund and to grow the Fund so that the work of the church and its ministries can continue to be supported and enriched. The theme for this campaign is: **“Strengthening Ministry – Today, Tomorrow, Together”** with an emphasis on:

- equipping and supporting leaders (seminary debt assistance and training lay leaders)
- strengthening congregational vitality
- developing ministry for the next generation

The goal over the next two years is to increase the endowment fund by \$125,000 and to generate future commitments of an additional \$150,000. The Endowment Fund is committed today and into the future to assist and support churches, ministries, and seminarians with their ministry journeys. **Therefore, the Endowment Fund is asking for your partnership through a gift to help ministries of the church in their journey.** Gifts may be cash or an optional future financial commitment. Whether you have much to give or a small amount to share, leaving a gift through the **Today, Tomorrow, Together** campaign will have long lasting impact. Together we are responding to the story of God’s generosity in the world.

The Endowment Fund is only able to do all this great work because of people just like you who chose to make a gift to the Synod Endowment Fund. Because of your generosity, incredible stories are unfolding, and lives are being touched. It is truly God’s Work, Our Hands.

**For more information or to make a gift, please contact the Synod Office or visit the Synod Website at: <http://nswwi.org/giving>**

The image in Matthew 13:32 gives us a promise of new growth, strength, and support. We know that the church in ten years will look far different than it does today. We know that we need to do more to support those changes within ministries and prepare church leaders for the future. Because of your generosity, the smallest of seeds can become the strongest of trees. Thank you for your continued support of the Northwest Synod Mission Endowment Fund.



# September

**SEPTEMBER 2022**  
 9:30 a.m. Worship Services  
  
 Office Hours Tuesdays 9-2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
Communion at the rail 10:30 a.m. Men's Reflection Group	Labor Day		12:00 Pastor Chetek Clergy Meeting			9:40 a.m. Alzheimer's Walk
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
Baptism of Serenity Lee Gordon 10:30 a.m. Men's Reflection Group 10:30 a.m. Sunday School starts		6:30 p.m. Council Meeting	9-12 Quilting	9-12 Quilting 1:30 p.m. Bible Study <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>		
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
Communion Rally Sunday- Blessing of the Back Packs 10:30 a.m. Men's Reflection Group						
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
10:30 a.m. Men's Reflection Group						



