

# NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022

## NEW SCANDINAVIA CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 11, 2022

President Rick Broten called the meeting to order.

Devotions led by Louise Driver. Ephesians 4:16 from Daily Guide Post.

*Non council members present:* Rhonda Candler.

**Secretaries report-** read and accepted

**Treasurer's Report-** read and accepted.

**Pastor's report-**

*Confirmation-* Affirmation of Baptism is Oct 23.

M/S/C Dawn/ Kristal/ Council to approve Ava Hundley, Ashtyn Massie, Natalee Dahlberg and Reece Duncan for "Affirmation of Baptism". Discussed expectations of confirmation students and fulfilling them.

*Worship-* Adding headings for scripture readings to help with summarizing what the readings are about.

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" response added when offering is brought forward.

Children's sermon, wondering what to do, as Sunday school theme is different than worship theme, kids are not coming up for children's sermon, and are kids watching the Facebook children's sermons?

Discussion was held about having a Stewardship Sunday.

New member Sunday November 13th, Council will serve fellowship. No others have come forward to become members.

Books of records are all up to date except members. Discussion was held on how to obtain where to find a list of active members, and what it means to be an active member in the church.

Discussed people that are watching live, an easy way for them to give to the church, Dawn to research ways.

M/S/C Louise/ Kristal/ Council to pass the Noisy Offering plate in the congregation.

*Pastoral Acts-* Funeral for Gary Wigen on Oct 8th

New Members- M/S/C, Grant/ Tom Jr/ Council to approve for Lenore and Dennis Robinson to become members with voting rights into our congregation.

**Deacon Ministries-** Sunday Serenade will be performed by Rick Berg on Oct 16th, Mark Brown has interest for Christmas Sunday Serenade as well as a few others in the works for next year. November and December will do Hanging of the Greens and Christmas Program in place of Sunday Serenade.

**Trustee Report-** Electronic sign estimate is more than what we want to spend, Jeff mentioned many more cons than pros to the electronic sign and will look into an alternative sign. Coffee maker is not getting shut off after use and costs money to stay on through the week. Looking for repair of the dishwasher from Beranek Electric when they can get a chance. Jeff did a great job of clearing brush from the parking lots, and we thank him for doing this, and all his hard work on this. Charlie Rihn will clear the snow this winter and Trustees will work on clearing the brush by the upper parking lot so he can use the tractor this year vs plow. Banner rack is complete, and we thank Tom Jr for all the hard work on this. Alter lights still need attention and wondering what the best light bulb option would be. Still need assistance fixing the retaining wall by the cemetery.

**Children Youth and Family Report-** Preparing for Hanging of the Greens, and Christmas Program. Confirmation is going well.

**Old Business-** Update on Mission fund- Louise Driver will give a Temple talk about this and have applications for Non- profit and For profit organizations. The Temple Talk will be October 30th.

Prairie Farm sharing of pastor- no new updates yet, waiting for Synod to set up a meeting.

Mic system- waiting for equipment still

**New Business-** Thanksgiving service Pastor Ron will be part of in Chetek instead of doing a Thanksgiving service at New Scandinavia Lutheran Church.

Need 2 council members for Nominating Committee

M/S/C not to put an ad in the Hay River Review for \$30 a month

**Next meeting- November 8, 2022,** Devotions will be led by Kelly

Motion to adjourn- Jeff Timm

Lord's Prayer

*Respectfully submitted by, Shelly Shipley, Secretary*

Members present: Pastor Ron Gerl, Rick and Chris Broten, Louise Driver, Shelly Shipley, Jeff Timm, Kelly Martinson, Dawn Bryngelson, Grant and Kristal Gifford, Tom Ebler Jr, Janelle Gordon

Members absent: Deb Schieffer, Eric and Kris Skoug, Billie Jo Peterson,

## **CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**

### **LOTS OF NEAT WORSHIP EVENTS COMING UP:**

\*All Saints Sunday: November 6, 2022

\*New Member Sunday for all new members who joined in 2022: November 13, 2022.

\*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*

## *The Lord's Prayer*

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your Kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.*

*Give us today  
our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom,  
the power and the glory  
are yours.  
Now and for ever. Amen*

## **The Confirmation Class**

**There are four students taking Confirmation study under the guiding of Kristal Gifford on Sunday morning here at New Scandinavia Lutheran Church.**

**The class is using the Luther's Small Catechism and presently they are studying "The Lord's Prayer." Did you know they are using "Faith Incubators" which is visual presentation study and a booklet to accompany teaching. Today's youth are programmed via school studies to learn visually in this technological age.**

## **GIVING MISSION CAMPAIGN**

When we received the money from the insurance from the fire, there was lots of discussions as to how to spend it. When the building was rebuilt, we had \$250,000 left. Dave Driver took the responsibility to invest the money wisely. It was put in the mission Investment fund at the ELCA which was paying the most interest. The CD's, which were 6 years, are now coming due. The interest on these CD's is about \$56,000.

At the time of the building much discussion centered around giving some of the money to the Glory of God. It was decided at that time that we would use the interest for that work. This is money we did not plan for, nor did we earn it. It was a gift. The council voted to give ½ away in this program and the next half will be invested and given away in 3 years. Thus every 3 years we would have extra money for mission without touching the principle.

The council has taken into consideration that a furnace could break etc. but they feel that the \$250,000 would cover any such need.

We would like to have people pick up the application at the back of the church or the one in the newsletter and apply for grants for their missions. We would like to give priority to missions that people give to or work with within the church. You would be allowed to apply for more than one. Ex: quilting \$500... and maybe school kits \$ 500.00. Wells may need a larger gift. Apply for what you need, and we will adjust the amount given as to how many requests.

A committee of 5 would than review all the requests and make the awards.

We would like to accept applications in November and December. With the cutoff date being December 30. The money would then be awarded in a special dinner with a representative from the organization receiving the money present to give a little overview as to how the money would be used. Some publicity will be done to promote the fact that our church is working for the Glory of God.

Individuals that people have been working with are also included to receive the money should there be cancer etc. for need.

### **NAME OF CHARITY YOU WOULD LIKE THE GRANT FOR**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of charity you would like the grant for: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed use of the grant for: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you financially support or work for this Organization:    Y    N

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Rick Jari	11/5
Laurence Sandve	11/6
Fenton Giles	11/8
Mark Wigen	11/9
Easton Rihn	11/10
Lonnie Gifford	11/14
Aden Jerome	11/15
Judy Olson	11/16



Tom Ebler Jr	11/19
Jeffrey Timm	11/20
Tracy Reichert	11/20
Shelly Shipley	11/23
Aleah Kangas	11/27
Samantha Bryngelson	11/28
Jana Kreutz	11/29
Alex Jerome	11/29

## ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

DATE	ATTEND	OFFERING
9/25	53	967.00
10/2	48	1287.00
10/9	40	1275.00
10/16	52	1021.00
10/23	124	2540.06

## LWR REPORT – 2022

Thank you to all who have faithfully participated in the gathering of supplies, time spent in preparation, and talents in constructing and preparation of items. Thank you to those who loaded the boxes and helped deliver them to the Rice Lake gathering point on October 8.

Totals of kits and quilts sent: Quilts 112; School Kits 76; Baby Care Kits 66; Fabric Kits 12; Personal Care Kits 12



## Reformation Sunday is October 30

We invite everyone to wear something red to celebrate the birth of the Reformation which placed the Bible into the hands of lay people for the first time in history. Before this only priests could read the Holy Scriptures. The first Bible distributed to common folks was printed in German during a period of history in which the Guttenberg press was invented. Martin Luther had one of the most dramatic impacts on Christianity in history because of this.

Martin Luther also influenced how we understand our salvation. People could now read on their own that “we are saved by grace through faith alone, and not by works of the law.” His reforms, however, were met with clamor by the Roman Catholic church which excommunicated him for teaching other than what the church at that time taught.

Come and celebrate with us as we sing together “A Mighty Fortress is Our God” written by Martin Luther himself!



**Saturday night November 5**  
**Turn your clocks back!**

## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 6

This is a day in which we remember all who have passed away in this last year. The bell will toll in honor of those we knew and loved and have gone into the Kingdom of Glory. Following the worship, you are welcome to take home a white rose, as a gift of remembrance from our congregation.

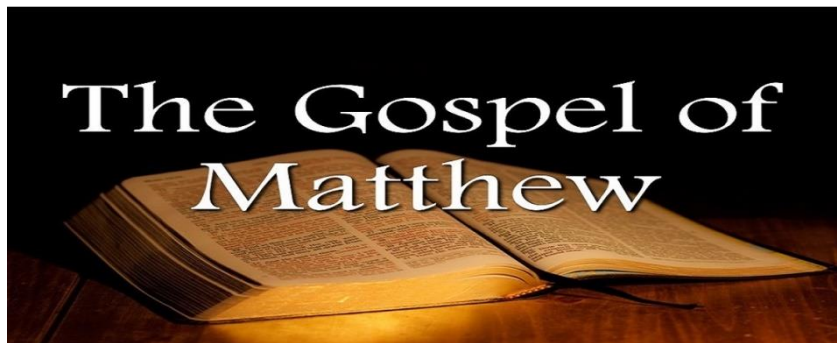
Candles will be lighted as well for:

Dan Severude  
Larry Bisonette  
April Severude  
Jean Ebler  
Gary Wigen



There will be candles to light for anyone who has lost a loved one or friend, too. This can be done after the worship in the front of the church. A table with candles will be provided.

Election Day is November Tuesday November 8.



Pastor Ron will attend the **All Conference Gathering of the Northwest Synod – ELCA on Thursday November 10 at Luther Park Bible Camp.**

Rev. Dr. Ray Pickett, rector of Pacific Lutheran Seminary in California will be on ZOOM.

Ray is a New Testament scholar and taught for over 20 years. He will lead us in a conversation titled, "*God with Us: Matthew's Wisdom for Public Witness.*" The Gospel of Matthew is the preaching gospel for next church year.

**NOVEMBER 13 IS NEW MEMBER SUNDAY**



There will be a special welcome for:

Duane and Brenda Link  
Dennis and Lenore Robinson

There will be a special reception along with cake and coffee served after church in honor of them after worship in the Fellowship Hall.



There will be a Community Thanksgiving Worship on Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chetek United Methodist Church at 300 Stout Street, Chetek. Pastor Ron will be participating and represent New Scandinavia. Join us if you live in the Chetek area!

**HANGING OF THE GREENS SERVICE**



*Hanging of the Greens*

“Hanging the Greens” worship is Sunday November 27 by the Sunday School of New Scandinavia Lutheran Church. Families save the date so all our kids can participate. This is the First Sunday in Advent as we prepare for the birth of Christ.



## DIGGING WELLS IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES



I am writing in response to a letter in the Messenger about wells being drilled in Third World countries where there wear out and nobody repairs them.

I would like to tell you about my experience with the well drilling. Barbara and I felt led by God to join a team to drill a well in Honduras. It is true that some wells needed to be repaired. That is what some of the team did. They helped in the repairing the wells that needed repairing. While we could only drill one well, they repaired three or more wells in the week that we were there. The first year we went, our church sponsored the well. In other words, we paid for the supplies for the well. We had the church name put on a plaque imbedded in cement around the well. There is also a phone number on the plaque for them to call if the pump needs to be repaired.

Another reason for going is to share God's love for them and to share our love for them as brothers and sisters in Christ. One of the native well drillers told me that it was better for us to come than to send the money for well drilling. By going down there and showing God's love and getting the job done was better than sending money where they might drink it away.

There was also fellowship with the team when we had devotions and prayer with the native well drillers and repair team. At that time, I had an awful cough. Our team leader pulled me aside and several people prayed for me. It took a while, but I am 90% better than I was then. What is interesting is that John McBride was one of the people praying for me. The next morning, he told us he was healed. He had a hip injury for twenty years and now the pain is gone. A year later I asked him how his hip is, and he said that it is great. Now he feels all his other pains.

While some of us were either drilling or repairing wells, the woman were teaching hygiene to the native woman and children as well as sharing God's word. They showed us their appreciation by serving us meals, donuts as a snack and were involved with the drilling.

It was a tremendous experience to have been a part of the team. God asks us to give our time, talents, and wealth, which He gave to us. When we do that, we are blessed and those we give to are blessed and we are glorifying God by doing that. We would have liked to go again but circumstances prevent that. I really feel like it was in God's plan for us to be there. There are some members of the team still going there to drill and repair wells.

*Jerry and Barb*

# November 2022



NOVEMBER 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	4	5
			Chetek Clergy Meeting at noon.			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Communion at rail 9:30 am <b>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b> 10:30 am Sunday School 11-12 am Confirmation		6:30 Council Meeting  Election Day		Pastor at Matthew seminar		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:30 am <b>NEW MEMBERS JOINING</b> 10:30 am Sunday School 11-12 am Confirmation			Quilting 9-12	Quilting 9-12 1:30 Bible Study		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:30 am Worship with Communion 10:30 am Sunday School 11-12 am Confirmation			<b>COMMUNITY JOINT SERVICE</b> 7:00 p.m. at Chetek United Methodist Church.	<b>THANKSGIVING</b>		
27	28	29	30			
9:30 am <b>HANGING OF THE GREENS</b> 10:30 am Sunday School 11-12 am Confirmation						

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"In Christ, we reach, teach and celebrate God's Word."

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