



## NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER 2024

### COUNCIL MINUTES FOR NEW SCANDINAVIA LUTHERAN CHURCH DECEMBER 12, 2023

Call to order by President Rick Broten, Devotions by Kristal Gifford from *Christ in the home* 'Hoping'  
From Isaiah 4: 2-6

Non- council members/ visitor reports: None

Reports:

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

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

**Pastors Report-**

Blue Christmas Dec 21st at 6:30 pm

Christmas Eve service Dec 24 at 6:30pm

Ash Wednesday starts Feb 14th, plan is to host 1st, 3rd, 5th service at New Scandinavia, and 2nd and 4th service at United Lutheran in Prairie Farm.

Discussion of Discretionary Fund for the churches, nothing has been decided if we are going to or not yet.

**Deacon Ministries-** January 14th, Rita Hong will perform for Sunday Serenade. There are 2 families, 1 individual and 4 shut-ins that were for noisy offerings for November and December for "Christmas families. The call list was updated for inclement weather.

**Trustee Ministries-** Meyers Electric contracted to work on our sanctuary lights and light bulbs were changed. Tom Ebler Jr cut up a tree in the cemetery that fell down. The projector was installed on 12/12 and in working order. Furnace to get replaced in January.

**Children Youth and family ministries-** Dec 17th is the Sunday School Christmas program. Cupcakes will be served to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Will discuss details for 1st communion later on what and how it will be done. There will be no Sunday School on Dec 24th or December 31st and will resume on January 7th, 2024.

**Old business- None**

**New Business-**

Audit committee- Jackie Sandve, and Tom Ebler Jr.

M/S/C Kristal/ Grant/ Council to give Jackie Sandve a raise.

M/S/C Louise/ Marion/ Council to give Tom Malom a raise.

M/S/C Kristal/ Grant/ Council to give Rhonda a raise.

M/S/C Louise/ Eric To give Noisy offerings for January- Brenda Links twin nephews, February- Noel Nelson, March- Amish fire from Brill.

Thank you to outgoing officers.

New officers-

Deacon- Lenore Robinson

Trustee- Dennis Robinson

Trustee- Matt Macho

Secretary- Sue Dau

President- Doug Severude

Charlie and Renee Rhin- Luther Park Delegates

Next meeting is February 13, 2024

Devotions will be led by Marion

Adjourned meeting by Grant

Lord's Prayer

Submitted Respectfully, Shelly Shipley, Church Council Secretary

Members present: Tom Ebler Jr, Shelly Shipley, Kelly Martinson, Louise Driver, Pastor Sara Feld, Rick Broten, Janelle Gordon, Chris Broten, Marion Wigen, Kristal and Grant Gifford, Deb Schieffer and Eric Skoug

Members absent: Michele Klefstad, Dawn and Robert Bryngelson.

## **NEW SCANDINAVIA CHURCH WELCA DECEMBER 14, 2023**

We had our Christmas luncheon.

Barb greeted everyone.

Pastor Sara gave devotions.

We sang "Joy to the World"

Debbie Rasmussen gave a reading.

Mary Shearer blessed us with special music.

Marion gave a reading.

We sang "What Child is This and "Silent Night"

We closed with the Lord's Prayer. And sang the Table Prayer.

*Chris Broten Secretary.*

## **CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**

Hello NS Families!

Wow! We are half-way through the school year!!!! We are using "**Spark Lectionary Curriculum**" this year. **Each Sunday will have a craft or a gift to take home** – so please make sure that your kiddo is able to come. There will **be fun music and the Bible Story of the week**. If you are not able to make it – **check out New Scandinavia Lutheran Church Group on Facebook** – I will always post the lesson, there. We also have an option to **give an offering online at our Facebook page** – so check that out – it is safe and secure!!!!

**Confirmation** being led by Pastor Sara.

**First Communion Class** for Fifth Grade and younger students (whose parents wish them to attend class) will begin on February 11, 2024. The classes will be during Sunday School (10 am -10:55 am) and Kristal Gifford will be instructing. I am anticipating 5 classes with Rite of First Communion on March 17<sup>th</sup> during Worship Service. Any questions let Kristal know.

### **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, volunteer at Sunday School with the younger kiddos, 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 Michelle Klefstad*

## **NOISY OFFERING JANUARY 2024**

Noisy offering will be taken for Brenda Links nephews. They have a very rare disease and need lots of trips to Rochester. The money will help them do that.

Noisy offering is Sunday day January 14<sup>th</sup>. Please save your change for this family.



## **SERENADE SUNDAY**

Join us January 14<sup>th</sup> for Serenade Sunday. Rita Hong will be providing music for us, piano and voice. Bring a friend to enjoy this special music.

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Visuth Sanmai	1/2
Billie Jo Peterson	1/4
Bryan Hundley	1/11
Dawn Bryngelson	1/12
Ricky Reichert	1/15
Emily Dau	1/17
Judy Ebler	1/20
Duane Olson	1/22
Sage Ebler	1/25

### **ATTENDANCE & OFFERING**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ATTEND</b>	<b>OFFERING</b>
11/26/23	35	880.00
12/3/23	72	1432.00
12/10/23	50	1148.00
12/17/23	112	1422.00

# JANUARY 2024

*New Scandinavia Lutheran Church*  
 11:00 a.m. Worship & FACEBOOK  
 9:45 a.m. Fellowship & Sunday School  
*Pastor Sara Feld*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	New Years Day					
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
11:00 a.m. Worship w/ communion 10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Fellowship		6:30 p.m. Council Meeting				
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
11:00 a.m. Worship <b>NOISY OFFERING</b> <b>SERENADE SUNDAY</b> 10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Fellowship		WELCA quilting a.m. 1:30 p.m. Bible Study		WELCA quilting		
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
11:00 a.m. Worship w/ communion Annual Meeting w/ potluck following service. 10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Fellowship						
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			
11:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Fellowship						

**Pastor Sara Feld**

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“In Christ, we reach, teach and celebrate God’s Word.”

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