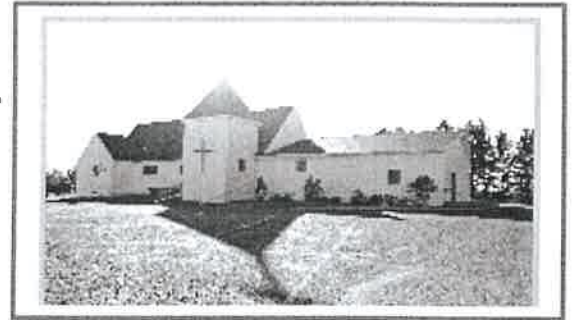


NEWSLETTER



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REFLECTIONS FROM THE PASTOR

We changed the bedding the other day. In and of itself, that is not a newsworthy event. We put clean sheets on the bed every so often. But we have dogs and anyone who has dogs knows what comes next. No sooner had we changed the bedding but one of the dogs jumped up on the bed and left fresh paw prints on one of the pillows...and the bedspread. If you are a dog lover, this comes as no surprise. Along with unconditional love comes fresh paw prints. It's a package deal.

The cycle repeats. Change bedding. Fresh paw prints. Change bedding. Fresh paw prints. I suppose you could say, "just keep them off the bed". But, really?

I'm thinking today that there might be a correlation here between our lives and God's love for us. God forgives us and we keep on messing up. We keep on sinning. God loves us unconditionally even when we track the mud and gunk of life into our relationship with God.

God's love and forgiveness...our sinfulness. Clean sheets. Paw prints. It's a package deal.

*In Christ,
Pastor P*

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING CALLED FOR MAY 2ND AT 9:30 AM

The church council has called a special congregational meeting for Sunday, May 2nd at 9:30am. The purpose of the meeting is to decide on whether or not to approve the bid to upgrade our broadcast and sound equipment.

As you may know, we have been struggling with both the quality and the consistency of the current equipment, which is about 14 years old and is failing. We have had several Sundays where we were unable to broadcast the worship service.

The proposed upgrade would include a new camera, new amplifier, monitor, upgraded cables, installation, and training for a total of \$7,985. A copy of the bid is available in the church office. The new equipment would be expected to meet our needs for 15 years or so.

To date, we have received pledges to cover the cost of the project (\$8,000) – provided the project is approved.



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

April 14, 2021

- ❖ Approved having a birthday party on May 2nd.
- ❖ Reviewed worship. Will add acolytes soon.
- ❖ Reviewed the bid for the broadcast and sound equipment upgrade. Agreed to recommend to the congregation to move forward with this. Called a special meeting for May 2nd at 9:30 a.m.
- ❖ Noted that invitations will go out in early May for the dedication of the kitchen on June 6th.
- ❖ Heard updates on the Hwy 36 rummage sale and the Jose memorial picnic table.
- ❖ Heard brief reports from the following teams: church property, worship, education, youth, and WEI.C.A.
- ❖ Set the deacon and teller list for the month of May.

Unreconciled Financial Report as of March 31, 2021

Endowment Fund	\$ 9,761.01
General Fund	55,613.94
Memorial Fund	1,100.00
Parsonage Fund	10,500.00
Seminary Student Fund	15,477.93
Special Projects Fund	17,229.71
Wilton Food Pantry	19,653.55

If you would like a more detailed report, please check with the office for a copy of the complete report.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY. EVERYONE!

If you had a birthday between

May 2, 2020 and May 2, 2021

We are having a birthday party for YOU!



Sunday, May 2nd following 10am worship we will be serving cupcakes, coffee, and lemonade in the church basement.

So, IF you had a birthday between

May 2, 2020 and May 2, 2021 – this party is for you!

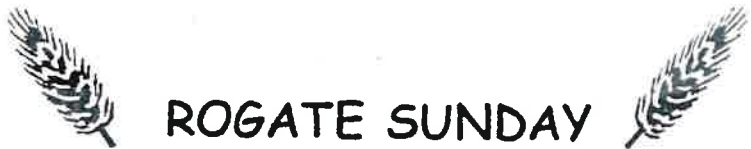
(HINT: everyone had a birthday between these dates!)



Beginner Bibles

Beginner Bibles will be given out to our First Graders on Sunday, May 2nd, during 10am worship. Receiving Beginner Bibles are: Isaiah Buchholtz, Rope Ducheneaux, McCoy Gregoryk, Kate Kassian, Dominic Mack, Annistyn Quam, Haevynn Speten, Caden Staloch, and Gracelynn Wald.

**The last day of
Sunday School
is May 2nd.**



ROGATE SUNDAY

The annual **BLESSING OF THE SEEDS, SOIL, AND WATER** will take place during worship on Sunday, May 9th.



BAPTISM

Alex Andrew Strand, son of Kirk and Danielle Strand, was welcomed into God's family through the sacrament of Holy Baptism on April 18, 2021. May Alex know God's presence all of his life.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10 a.m. Worship
No Sunday School
during the summer months.



**May 9, 2021
10 a.m.
Worship service**

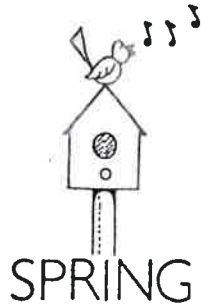
**All moms will
receive a plant
from the Baldwin
Greenhouse**

You are invited to a celebration and dedication of the new kitchen on Sunday, June 6th with worship at 10am followed by a free meal. So that we can have an accurate count for the meal, please RSVP by calling the church at 734-6485, signing up in the narthex, or emailing sunne@bektel.com

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries in May.

- 2--Arlan Helm
- 4--Jennifer Egan
- 4--Kate Kassian
- 8--Jaclyn Jans
- 8--Zachary Rhone
- 10--Curtis Bernard
- 12--Todd Schulz
- 14--Amanda Odegard
- 15--Darren Tosseth
- 17--Dan Johnson
- 17--Verine Reimann
- 20--Henry Perkins
- 23--Linda Oswald
- 23--Stella Rust
- 24--Olive Fricke
- 24--Bernard Falkenstein
- 26--Finlee Sorch
- 27--Joren Sawicki
- 29--Brady Hansen
- 29--Briella Hruby
- 30--Caitlyn Ell



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help make kuchen for Camp of the Cross on Saturday, May 22nd beginning at 8am at the church. Help is needed any time during the morning.

A MOTHER'S PRAYER

On this Mother's Day and every day let me remember my responsibilities rather than my privileges as a mother....

Let me be wise enough to love my children without possessing them.

Let me be wise enough to earn their respect, not demand it.

Let me be as understanding and patient with their mistakes as I am with my own.

Above all, let me remember that these children of God have been graciously loaned to me so that together we may find Christ in one another.





Let me be thankful every moment of every day for this responsibility---a chance to serve others and to grow.

On Memorial Day
REMEMBER
Those Who Served



MAY 2021

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>The names on the calendar are to remind us to pray for one another.</i>						1 <i>Jacob Hurt</i>
2 9 am Last day of Sunday School 9 am WELCA mtg. 9:30 am Congregational meeting 10 am Communion Service 11 am Birthday Party!	3 <i>Madelyn Hurt</i>	4 <i>Jeff Inglis</i>	5 <i>Tammy Inglis</i>	6 <i>Justin Inglis</i>	7 <i>Ryan Inglis</i>	8 <i>Dave Jans</i>
9 MOTHER'S DAY 10 am Worship Service (special gifts for moms)	10 <i>Debbie Jans</i>	11 <i>Jaclyn Jans</i>	12 Church Council Mtg. 7:00 pm <i>Caleb Jans</i>	13 <i>Dave Jenkins</i>	14 <i>Sandy Peterson</i>	15 <i>Sydney Jenkins</i>
16 10 am Communion Service	17 <i>Dan Johnson</i>	18 <i>Denise Johnson</i>	19 <i>Tanika Johnson</i>	20 Food Pantry 3-5 pm <i>Tareena Johnson</i>	21 <i>Tienna Johnson</i>	22 Kuchen making 8am <i>Tucker Johnson</i>
23 10 am Worship Service	24 <i>Alida Kassian</i>	25 <i>Gerald Kassian</i>	26 <i>Arllys Kassian</i>	27 <i>Steve Kassian</i>	28 <i>Missy Kassian</i>	29 <i>Kase Kassian</i>
30 10 am Worship Service	31 Memorial Day 					

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