# **June 2021**

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# From the Pastor's pen

Dear friends,

I know that my plans can change with a phone call. What I did last Monday will not necessarily be what I do next Monday. You may have experienced the un-expected, the un-planned. CDC regulations changing seemingly daily. A lot of things going on around us, and yet some things have not changed.

Summer is upon us; fields are planted. The sun rises and sets at the appointed times. The birds and frogs sing their songs. [Soon I hope, we will sing our songs together.] The tide rises and falls. And the Lord – is still the Lord. He is the one who appointed the sun's & moon's activities. He knows the feathers of each bird and the croaking of the frog. Our Lord knows the hairs on our head. So, breathe deeply, in and out, fear not, no matter what may, the Lord is with you, and loves you.

Look around you; it is temporary. Like WI weather, wait; it will change. There are going to be good days and challenging days/years, but the constant in our lives, the constant that we anchor ourselves to, is our Lord, Jesus Christ.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.' Rev.1:8

Joy, Pastor Terri

## Consider - Gift card fundraising for our congregation

Buy Gift cards or eGift cards from your favorite brands and stores to use for your purchases. It's not too hard, and only takes a few minutes, plus it gives a bit extra to the church at no additional cost to you. Places such as Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Target, Kohl's, Cenex, & Subway are available. Visit: **shopwithscrip.com**, choose "join a program", enter code:

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#### **Stewardship Moment**

Purchasing less, reduces future waste and saves money. Think of what you will purchase beforehand, maybe wait 10 or 30 days before buying, reducing impulse purchases, such as SALE rack items. Ask yourself, 'do I really need it?' Also consider alternatives with less packaging. For example, individually wrapped cheese slices verses non-wrapped slices.

#### Lifest is Coming to Oshkosh July 8-11<sup>th</sup>

See music groups like I Am Spartacus, Newsboys, Skillet, Sidewalk Prophets, Matthew West and Cain. Plus attend seminars and hear bold speakers. Go for one day or everyday. Go to: lifest.com/oshkosh.

# A-F County Market receipts wanted

The **TLCW receives 3.2%** for each dollar spent! This helps with funding for items such as:

- \* Scholarships
- \* Bibles for our youth
- \* Kitchen supplies
- \* LWR Kit supplies
- \* Devotion booklets
- \* Camperships ease place receipts

Please place receipts in the narthex or in the outside info box.

#### **Devotion booklets**

Daily devotion booklets (large & regular print) are free of charge and can be found in the narthex or outside in the info box.

#### Weekly email devotions

Email Amy at: churchoffice@arkdaletlc.org to be added to our weekly devotion group and receive an inspiring devotion!

#### Thursday service

Call Amy in the office (564-7920) and reserve a seat to attend the Thursday worship service. It begins at 10am, masks are required, one hymn is sung and only ten seats are available, a reservation is needed!

#### Online worship service

Visit our website at:
arkdaletlc.org and feel free to
view worship service from home
until you feel comfortable returning to in-person worship. We
have a donate button on our
website as well.

#### **Holy Humor**

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing the family's Bible to her brother. The postal clerk asked her, "Is there anything breakable in the package?" Smiling she said, "Only the Ten Commandments".:)

A farmer stands to say grace over breakfast: Lord, I hate buttermilk. Lord, I hate lard. And Lord, you know I don't much care for white flour. But Lord, when you mix them all together and bake them, I do love warm fresh biscuits So Lord, when things come up that we don't like, when life gets hard, when we don't understand what you're saying to us, help us to just relax and wait until you are done mixing. It will probably be even better than biscuits. Amen.

I heard that a bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will not see the opening at the top as a means of escape, but will die trying to find some way out through the sides and bottom, seeking an escape where none exists.

We, in some ways are like the bumblebee, struggling with our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is look up. We need to look to Jesus. Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, afraid; faith looks up.

## Acolyte/Lector

06th 8:00: Myles Nawrot/Meagan Grabarski10:15: Cody Hendricksen/Jeff Chase13th 8:00: Nancy Hanson/Kurt Mikolite10:15: Matthew Pavelec/Rick Searing

**20th** 8:00: Myles Nawrot/Mike Kuss 10:15: Brayden Hendricksen/Krista Pavelec

**27th** 8:00: Nancy Hanson/George Goltz 10:15: Davion Hoernke/Kari Banovec

## Lawn mowing

**07th** Steve & Kris Peterson **14th** Brian & Donna Olson

21st John Stormoen & Randy DeMunck

28th John Pavelec & Ed Heideman

**Garbage:** Hank Sauer

Food Pantry: Sue Searing

Altar Guild: Marge Edwards & Nancy Dix

Help make a difference in the church!
Two openings available on Council.

#### Summer Camp—check out their websites for more info

- \*Sugar Creek (in Ferryville) offers 17 adventures for youth grades 1-12 & families too! With 660 acres of great activities, full ACA accreditation, small group focus, meals in open-air shelters, and 50+ years of unique tradition in small villages, Sugar Creek is by nature among the safest of any in-person programs during a pandemic.
- \*Summer Camps are the cornerstone of **Bethel Horizons'** (in Dodgeville) Ministry. Our camps run for 8 different weeks over the summer. Camp is open to youth in 2nd-11th grades.
- \*You want to give your kids the hope, connection & renewal they need after over a year of isolation & anxiety. At **Crossways** (3 locations: Pine Lake south of Waupaca, Imago Dei Village near Clintonville, and Waypost Camp by Hatley) campers discover & deepen their faith in an intentional Christian community while practicing social skills like respect, courage & responsibility. We're meeting & exceeding state safety requirements & all best practices as indicated by the American Camp Association. We have half-week, full-week & family camp sessions.
- \*At **Lutherdale** (in Elkhorn) we believe that every child deserves to be welcomed, accepted, known & celebrated in a Christ-centered environment. We follow over 300 standards established by the American Camp Association in order to provide a safe space for your children. Summer camp for grades K-11 operates June 13 August 11. Now more than ever, kids need the outdoors, friends, adventure, music and faith role models.

The Endowment Committee and TLCW Group have camperships available to students that would like to attend camp. Please see the Kiosk in the narthex for an application!

### **KFC – Kids For Christ**

- \*Bible Verse: About the colors of a sunrise: "As the light approaches, the earth takes shape like clay pressed beneath a seal; it is robed in brilliant colors." Job 38:14 (NLT)
- \*Activity: Squirt gun painting. Need: canvas, squirt guns/spray bottles, one for each color, poster or acrylic paint & water. Take canvas outside & set up (option: use painter's tape to create a design or leave an initial). Fill squirt guns, paint shouldn't be too thick, add a bit of water if needed & have at it. T-shirts can be used instead but tie-dye paint is recommended.
- \*Table Talk: Do you like sunsets or sunrises? What is your favorite <u>color</u> in a sunset?
- \*Bedtime Prayer: Dear Jesus, thank you for today, for the sun rising to get us up, and for the sun setting to give us rest. Amen.

## Still time to adopt!

We've had a handful of families step forward and donate money/supplies for the baby care kits and have received their certificate of adoption. It's not too late for you to adopt a LWR baby! Items are being collected thru August. One kit requires per LWR guidelines:

- 2 -cotton t-shirts
- 2 -pairs of crew style socks
- 1 -dark colored hand towel
- 2 -4oz. bars of Ivory soap in packaging
- 2 -long or short sleeved pj's without feet
- 1 -sweatshirt or jacket with hood or a sweater with a baby cap

Please purchase sizes 6-24 months & leave items in the narthex. Thank you!

# June happenings...

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
Remember to bring in your A-F County Market receipts!		8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	2 1-3pm Fellowship hall reserved	3	4	5		
8am Worship/ Graduate recognition & 10:15 am Worship	7 5:30 pm Council	8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	9	10	11	2:00 pm Funeral service		
8:00 & 10:15 am Worship	6:00 pm Property meeting	8:30 am Quilting 10:00 am Worship mtg 6:00 pm Bible Study	9:00 am Newsletter Art. Due	17	18	19		
8:00 & 10:15 am Worship	21	8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	23	24	25	26		
8:00 & 10:15 am Worship	28	8:30 am Quilting 6:00 pm Bible Study	1-3pm Fellowship hall reserved	Remember to bring in your aluminum cans!				

## <u>Unapproved Council Meeting Minutes —</u> <u>May 3, 2021—5:30—6:20 p.m.</u>

Present: Pastor Terri, Ken Bork, Derek Pavelec, Monica Wallendal, Garret Gould, Danna Peterson, Meagan Grabarski, Marge Edwards, and Anne Gibault. Excused: Kathy Cappel and Becky Craig.

**Meeting Called to Order** by Ken Bork at 5:30 p.m.

**Opening Devotion:** Can you think of a story or some way that you volunteer that is important to your faith? How are we laying the foundations for generations to come?

#### Pastor's Report:

\*Shut-In Visits: Has started to make some inperson visits at Villa Pines and Liberty Manor, has sent notes to some people and called others to talk to them and touch base.

\*<u>At Rest:</u> one funeral took place, 2 more are scheduled for June.

\*Other: Still calling and texting members and sending birthday cards.

\*Gifts in gratitude will be given to teachers on May 16, 2021.

\*Pastor has lost 2 family members recently.
We are keeping her family in our thoughts and prayers.

**Treasurer's Report:** Went through report. Motion to Approve: Danna/Marge

**Secretary's Report:** Shared out last month's report. Motion to Approve: Garret/Meagan

**Set the Next Meeting Date:** Next meeting is Monday, June 7, at 5:30 p.m.

#### **New Business:**

Local Benevolence—(\$2,300 remains)
Verify May Congregational Meeting Agenda
Call Meeting to order by President Ken
Bork

Opening Prayer by Pastor Terri Skildum Set Agenda Secretary's Report by Appe Gibault

Secretary's Report by Anne Gibault Treasurer's Report by Monica Wallendal Nominations for Council: Derek Pavelec agreed to 2<sup>nd</sup> term Opening to fill Becky Craig's position Opening to fill Kathy Cappel's position

Nominating Committee

Nominations for Endowment:

Mary Jo Meyer agreed to 2<sup>nd</sup> term Richard Grabarski up for nomination

Old Business

Ramp Hill

Bids Received

Congregational Interest

Timeline Funding

New Business

Discuss moving to one worship service for the summer (2 services will be held through Memorial Day weekend)

Other: Church Values/Beliefs

Adjourn Meeting

Close with The Lord's Prayer

#### **Other Reports:**

**Education:** Pastor Terri emailed families for interest in Vacation Bible School with different options and interest for fall classes. Confirmation is still going. Adult Education is still going with 14-15 participants.

Outreach—nothing to report

Property Committee—no new meetings yet

**Worship Ministry**—meets tomorrow. Garret will be the Council Liaison.

**TLCW**—Amber Bruce has resigned. They are looking for a new President and Vice President. Danna Peterson will be the Council Liaison.

**Endowment Committee--**The audit is done.

#### Landscape Committee—

Motion to Adjourn at 6:20. Ken/Derek

Closed with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Anne Gibault

Church Council Secretary

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## **Congratulations 2021 Graduates**

**Allison Bilski**, grand-daughter of Rich & Linda Bilski. Graduating from Mauston High School. Attending Harvard University.

**Alayna Easterly,** daughter of John & Carrie Easterly. Graduating from A-F High School. Attending Viterbo University in La Crosse, WI for Nursing.

**Kallysa Farrell,** daughter of Gregg & Tara Farrell. Graduating from A-F High School, Valedictorian. Attending Chippewa Valley Tech. College for Diagnostic Medical Sonography.

**Aiden Gould,** son of Garret Gould & Rebecca Schmall. Graduating from Edgerton High School. Attending Madison Area College for Computer Program/Game Development.

**Magnus Moore,** son of Kevin & Jennifer Moore. Graduating from A-F High School. Attending WI Western Tech. College in La Crosse, WI for Welding.

Chrystian Quinnell, son of Bryan & Nicole Quinnell. Graduating from A-F High School.

**Desirae Renner**, daughter of Devin Renner & Nicole Bliske. Graduating from A-F High School. Attending UW Milwaukee for Business Marketing.

**Adryn Wertjes**, son of Jamie & Heidi Wertjes. Graduating from Necedah High School. Attending Western Tech. in La Crosse, WI for Heating/Cooling Program.

**Leah Goltz,** daughter of George & Lori Goltz. Graduating from Judson Univ. with a Bachelors of Arts in Exercise Science. Continuing on to Marshall Univ. in Huntington, West Virginia to pursue a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree.

Key: A 10 days. B In purple. C Judah. D Nebuchadnezzar (Neh-ba-keh-neh-zar). E Melzar. F Clay. G Daniel. H Belteshazzar. I Days.

the book of Daniel?

8 & 10:15 am Worship continues and masks are required.

#### Unapproved Bi-Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes May 23, 2021

Virtual Via Zoom and In-Person: 9:00—10:00 a.m.

Present: See Scanned Document

Meeting Called to Order by Ken Bork at 9:00 a.m.

**Opening Prayer by Pastor Terri Skildum** 

Set Agenda: Motion: Marge Edwards/John Stormoen

Secretary's Report by Anne Gibault: Motion to Approve: Mary Jo Meyer/John Pavelec Treasurer's Report by Monica Wallendal: Motion to Approve: Mike Willis/John Stormoen

Nominations for Council:

Derek Pavelec agreed to 2<sup>nd</sup> term

Opening to fill Becky Craig's position—none at this time Opening to fill Kathy Cappel's position—none at this time

#### Nominations for Endowment:

Mary Jo Meyer agreed to 2<sup>nd</sup> term

Richard Grabarski up for nomination: Motion to Approve: Danna Peterson/Kathy Bork

#### **Old Business**

Ramp Hill

**Bids Received** 

One bid over \$80,000: very complete design, maintenance free

Another bid for \$65,000 without many of the items needed to complete the design Congregational Interest—motion to approve forward on the ramp hill project with

the design that is/was attached to the Bi-Annual Meeting Agenda, Sandy Willis/Glenn Quinnell

Timeline—adding to the project list to do some time in the future

Funding—Motion for Council appoint a fundraising committee and timeline Mike

#### Kuss/John Stormoen

Safety Concern

mowing the hill is a safety concern at this time, no one is signed up to mow it What is our interim plan? It moves to the project list, Property Committee to make a plan for it

#### **New Business**

Discuss moving to one worship service for the summer

(2 services will be held through Memorial Day weekend)

With the number of people here today, should look at 2 services

Motion with 2 services but give Council permission to re-evaluate given how circumstances may change over the summer Mike Kuss/Danna Peterson

## **Nominating Committee**

Ruth Check and Rick Searing volunteered: Motion Mike Kuss/Faith Bork

### Other: Church Values/Beliefs

Lori Henthorne

Invite anyone with ideas, concerns to share them with Pastor or Council.

There are openings on Council.

What can we do as a church?

## **Motion to Adjourn** at 10:00 Rick Searing/John Pavelec

Close with The Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Gibault

Church Council Secretary