

November 2021

NEWSLETTER



**Milnor Lutheran and
Immanuel Lutheran Churches**
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Rick's Column

Greetings and Peace to you all,

It is my hope and prayer that this newsletter finds you all well! As I write this letter, the weather has been cooler and fall is in the air. The Lord has blessed us with great weather for harvesting and it appears the harvest will wrap up soon. Deer hunting starts this Friday, which is rich tradition that is enjoyed and cherished by many in our community. Thanks be to God.

Before we know it, we will be celebrating Thanksgiving, the season of Advent, and Christmas. I wish each and every one of you a blessed Holiday season. These holidays bring joy for many, but for others the holiday season can bring sadness and loneliness. Let us please watch out for our loved ones and neighbors. A simple phone call and words of hope and encouragement can make all the difference in the world. Please feel free to reach out to me if I can be of help in anyway. I am available 24/7.

Moving forward, church services will continue to be at 9:30 a.m. for MLC and 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel. Communion will be on the first Sunday of the month at both churches, as well as the 3rd Sunday at MLC. We have started confirmation classes and we have an ambitious group of young men and women who are eager to learn about what it means to be a Lutheran and a Christian. We have a great time together and I cherish each Wednesday spent with them. Sunday school and our children's sermons will continue at MLC. May God bless the children and the amazing Sunday school staff.

The shower project in the parsonage is completely finished and what a blessing it has been. It is beautiful and it gets used a lot. No more waiting in line for a shower! Again, thank you all for the wonderful support of this project.

As I have mentioned, I am planning on starting a fall/winter Bible study and I will make an announcement as to the starting date/time very soon. I am very excited for this opportunity for us to learn and grow together as we delve into the greatest book ever written.

Our prayer list seems to have grown in numbers as of late. Please join me in continual prayer for those facing health issues. The gift of prayer is the greatest gift in the world and God takes all of our prayers to heart.

I would like to thank Heidi, council members of both churches, and everyone who works behind the scenes to help me and support me. Words cannot express my gratitude. I would also like to thank the congregations for all of your support, help, prayers, and encouragement. I am so blessed to be your pastor.

In closing, I leave you with the simple, but powerful words of **Ephesians 2: 8-9**, "*For by grace been saved through faith. And this is not of your doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*"

May the God of love and mercy be with you all.

Rick

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 7th. Remember to set your clock back an hour on Saturday night.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

People on our prayer lists are *Steve Ellefson, Marlene Snellman, Carol Hogness, Kit Mund, Curt Mahler, Bobbi Haugen, Jim Robbins, Linda Robbins, Tanner Martinson, Elsie Skarpness, Lorie Skarpness, Eileen (Schutt) Vail, Patty Cross, Shayla Wagner, Bob Arnold, Steve Schutt, and Scott Warner*. Please keep them in your prayers.



1 - Aubree Peterson
Don Wehlander
4 - Ernest Roder
5 - Kolten Kadoun
6 - Amy Kuehn
Elsie Skarpness
8 - Mary Johnson
9 - Vickie Berndt
10 - Tom Mund
Blake Yagow

11 - Adam Baldwin
Orvin Hogness
15 - Tina Johnson
Chloe Smith
Karen Wohler
16 - Hap McCleery
17 - Cannon Ferderer
18 - Pat Olson
Macy Roeder

21 - Dorothy Pribula
23 - Annette Hudson
24 - Steve Ellefson
26 - Kris Lien
27 - Leah Buskohl
Lu Diede
28 - Josie Rotenberger

MLC MEMORIALS

In memory of Jan Carlson

From William & Joan Bauch (MLC)
Jeanette Buskohl (Yarn Angels)
Carlson Family (MLC)
Joy Christiansen (Day of Doing)
Lisa Edison-Smith (MLC)
Jane & Brian Jespersen (MLC)
Bill Johnson (MLC)
David & Connie Robbins (Altar Guild)
Jolene Schwalk (MLC)
Brian & Paula Tayer (Sunday School)
Alice Wehlander (Sunday School)

In memory of Gayle Odegard Dick

From Alice Wehlander (Sunday School)

Save the Date!

Sunday, December 5th at 2:00 p.m.

WELCA CHRISTMAS TEA

Milnor Lutheran Church

The speaker will be Jana Sipe Berndt from Breckenridge. She is the author of the book "Finding Norm" and gives a message about hope and rediscovering joy after loss of a loved one.

**ALL AREA WOMEN ARE INVITED.
PLEASE BRING A FOOD PANTRY ITEM.**

Milnor Lutheran Council Meeting Minutes

October 13th@ 7 p.m. In person/conference call)

Present: Bill Pribula, Deb Wagner, Diane Wallin, Myron Yagow, DeNae Mahler, Rick Bryant, Randy Syrstad, Travers Storhaug, Alisha Olson & Kelly Arth

Secretary and treasurer's report reviewed. Motion made by Kelly Arth to accept and approve reports, seconded by Randy Syrstad. Motion carried.

Committee Business:

Worship (Kelly Arth, Deb Wagner)

- Discussed having a reminder added to the bulletin weekly regarding the offering plate in the back on the piano. Also suggested that we start having the Shepherding group assigning 1 or 2 ushers again mainly to direct things such as putting up Hymn numbers, walking the offering up during the offering song, counting and greeting. They would not need to shake hands or hand out bulletins, but just be present and ensuring things are done. Diane will follow-up with the Shepherding leaders.
- A suggestion from a congregational member was made to alternate offering song between Create in Me and We are an offering. Will talk with Heidi regarding possibly alternating monthly.

Stewardship (Diane Wallin, DeNae Mahler)

- Churches United is focus for Stewardship for this quarter. Diane discussed having Peter Hinderlie, who is now a case manager with Churches United, come down and do a temple talk. This suggestion was approved council and Pastor Rick. Diane will coordinate this for some time in November.
- Jaime Decker will be Ordained at GA Lutheran in Gwinner this weekend. Diane plans to attend.

Education (Alicia Olson, Randy Syrstad)

- Sunday School has started and is going well. No concerns noted at this time
- Confirmation started today – large class – 18 students. Melissa will be helping with class.

Properties/Grounds & Parsonage (Travers Storhaug, Myron Yagow & Bill Pribula)

- Parsonage Bathroom is complete
- Wireless Mic –Didn't work well at last wedding. Rick has been testing it since then and it seems to be working so will monitor for now.
- It was suggested by a member of the church that we look at installing a T in the sewer pipes to help keep them open in the upcoming winter as there

was some issue with them freezing up last year. Myron will check into this.

Pastor's Report: Pastor will be gone next Sunday; Bill will lead the service and read Rick's sermon. There have been a couple of weddings past couple weeks and he will be doing a funeral in Lidgerwood tomorrow per request of a family.

Old Business: Discussion had regarding special events, contract for renting and cleaning for events. We have no formal written contract with custodian regarding extra cleaning for events, only a verbal agreement with previous council. Would like to get that formalized. Number of events differ from year to year making it difficult to budget but discussed possibility of adding a line-item expense in next year's budget for events to be used to defray extra cost of cleaning.

New Business:

- Pastor's contract will be up in December, so we will need to review this. Also discussed possible new parsonage project of walling in the central air unit that sits in middle of the basement. This would help with the loudness when running. We will have money left over from the bathroom project once all the bills are paid.
- WELCA wants permission to get rid of the display cabinet in fellowship hall where cards were displayed as it is no longer used. Council had no concerns regarding this.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be November 10th at 7pm in person or conference call.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Diane Wallin, seconded by Alisha Olson, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Wagner, Secretary

MLC Financial Report:	
September Income	\$ 13,877.39
September Expenses	10,228.28
Net Income	3,649.11
Year-to-Date Gain	\$ 20,171.63

November Altar Guild
Deb Schutt and Jasmine Smith

WELCA

Day of Doing Quilters will meet November 2nd, 3rd, 16th and 17th at 9:00 a.m.

Yarn Angels will meet November 9th and 23rd at 1:00 p.m.

WELCA meeting--Monday, November 15th at 10:00 a.m.

Day of Doing Quilters

On Sunday, October 24th, the Day of Doing Quilters displayed many beautiful quilts in the sanctuary. From June through October, they made 51 adult quilts and 32 children's quilts, and these have been distributed to: the WELCA bazaar, White Earth Reservation, Furniture Mission, YWCA, and Churches United. Thank you to the ladies who give time and talents to this ministry.

They continue to collect gently used clothing of all sizes and toys (but no stuffed animals) for the White Earth Reservation.

November Shepherding Schedule

Leaders: David & Connie Robbins; Jim & Linda Robbins

November 7 --Ushers: David & Connie Robbins; Lector: Judy Kleingarn;
Communion: Connie and Judy or Jim

November 14 -- Ushers: Jeanette Buskohl and Greta Buskohl; Lector: Bobbi Fuhrman

November 21 -- Ushers: Cheryl Roder and Janice Larson; Lector: Jodi Ost;
Communion: Cheryl and Janice

November 28 -- Ushers: Linda Robbins; Lector: Linda Costain

Thank you to everyone who serves and supports our church. Each family is invited to donate \$10.00 annually to the shepherding fund. This is used to buy food for meals served at funerals.

MLC Calendar Items

- Volunteers are needed to help set up the Christmas tree after worship on Sunday, November 28th.
- The Christmas Program will be December 5th during worship (9:30 a.m.).
- The WELCA Christmas Tea will be December 5th at 2:00 p.m.
- Altar Guild will be taking poinsettia donations in memory of or in honor of loved ones or friends. Deadline is December 12th.

Milnor Lutheran Sunday School

Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School - 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

- Sunday School will not be held on November 28th.
- There will be a practice for the Christmas program on Wednesday, December 1st, at 5:00 p.m.
- The Christmas program will be Sunday, December 5th, during the worship service (9:30 a.m.).

*If you have questions about Sunday School, please contact
Greta Buskohl (427-5646) or Mary Yagow (427-5023).*

Sunday School Lunches

November 7th--Braylon W & Cannon F, Kenna & Lyla P, Cole & Easton F, Henry & Abigail L

November 14th--Hadley L, Saryce & Nico M, Brinley & Blake Y, Aiden & Kail H



Luther League is selling Christmas Wreaths

Balsam Wreaths decorated with a three-looped red velvet bow and pine cones.

24" - \$25.00

36" - \$38.00

To order, please put your name on the order form in the church entry or contact Luther League youth or Jasmine Smith at 427-5445.

Order deadline is November 7th.

All items are beautifully handcrafted from Sheyenne Greenhouse.



Immanuel Lutheran Church

November

Ushers: Dan Mund, Wyatt & Landon Mund
Altar Guild: Dawn Mund and Melinda Mund

Worship: Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

Communion: November 7th

No Worship on November 14th (Rick gone)
Council Meeting: November 17th at 7:00 p.m.



*Milnor Luther League Annual
Door-To-Door Food Drive
Sunday, November 7th
3:00-5:00 PM*

*Sargent County Food Bank is in need of donated
items!*



Ideas of items in need:

- Kleenex/paper towels/toilet paper
- Toothbrushes/toothpaste
- Bar soap
- Shampoo
- Hand sanitizer
- Boxed Cake/Bar mixes
- Hamburger Helper
- Boxed Mac n Cheese
- Coffee/Coffee Filters
- Spices/salt/pepper

Luther League members and anyone who would like to help volunteer please meet at the church @2:30. (Drivers Needed!)

Contact Jasmine Smith @427-5038 or 540-8003 if you CAN help make a difference for those in need.

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