

Parish Newsletter

June 2021



FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DEB STAVE

Herd Immunity, health and hope...

Green fields, harvest and expectation...

Ordinary time, extraordinary moments, days, even months...

We're in the Pentecost season once again. That long green stretch of time with a few special Sundays when the altar folks have extra work, changing the paraments only once in a while until the last Sunday of November 21st when we gather for Christ the King Sunday.

Late May to Late November, what will come into your life amid the day to day? What'll be new, what'll be great times and memories to be cherished? What'll be hard, what'll be challenging, and what'll be so ordinary you need to work hard at remembering?

Part of the Christian church labels this time as Ordinary Time. But there's always something that's out of our routines. Weddings, birthdays, anniversaries family reunions, covid-delayed memorial and graveside services, community celebrations - Fairs - local and state, bazaars and farmer's markets... And this year after 14 months of isolating and our ordinary life being zig-zagged between anxiety and getting to something, sometimes fleeting, of a new normal for a few days or weeks it feels like we can start breathing easier. Really making plans for trips, for gatherings, for relaxation.

Some of you have met our dog, Lucy. She has a huge tumor and every day we watch for changes. Her breathing will become difficult, the vet says and when she shows pain, you'll have to make some decisions, she said. Lucy is still strong, still playful, still goes outside and lifts that front foot, listening, pointing and watching for wild turkeys in Mayville and bunnies and squirrels in Fargo. Every day we are reminded to watch for changes. What is Lucy's ordinary is being turned upside down. But for today we'll grab the day - CARPE DIEM - and enjoy her being ordinary.

May these six months of the march of ordinary time for you all be full of new growth of the Spirit. Carpe diem with the leading of the Holy Spirit, in John's Gospel, the other advocate. Looking forward to gathering with you maskless and with the gift of breathing easier.

God's Blessings,
Pastor Deb Stave

PASTOR DEB CONTACT INFORMATION

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SUNDAY LESSONS FOR JUNE 2021

- June 6th - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
 - (Gen. 3:8-15; Ps. 130); 2 Cor. 4:7-21; Mark 3:20-35
- June 13th - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
 - Ezekiel 17:22-24; Ps. 92:1-4, 2 Cor. 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34
- June 20th - 4th Sunday after Pentecost
 - (Job. 38:1-11; Ps. 107:1-3, 23-32); 2 Cor. 6:1-13-17; Mark 4:35-41
- June 27 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost
 - Lam. 3:22-33; Ps. 30; 2 Cor. 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

The weeks with the first 2 lessons in parentheses are the traditional lessons. The rest of the lessons are in agreement between our two denominations.

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter items can be sent to Tracy Foss at Tracy.L.Foss@gmail.com. Newsletter deadline is the Tuesday before the last Sunday of the month. July newsletter deadline is 6-22-2021.

Mayville Congregational-UCC News

CONGRATULATIONS SKYA

Congratulations to Skya Brandon as she prepares to travel to Jamestown to study nursing after her graduation from Hatton High School.

CONGRATUALTIONS MARLEY AND ALEX

Congratulations to Marley Papenfuss (Mayville UCC) and Alex Hair on their June 19th wedding.

Bethany News.

JUNE READERS

- June 6 - Nancy Condit
- June 13 - Linda Stromstad
- June 20 - Loretta Larson
- June 27 - Betty Reinhart

JUNE USHERS

- Loretta Larson & Charlotte Lee.

GOD SPEED SMITHS

A service of God Speed was held in May for the Smiths who will be moving to Minnesota. As Dave and Kayla along with their children Blaine, Mason and Paige transition to new jobs, schools and a new home we support them with our prayers and give thanks for their time with us.

CONGRATULATIONS MITCHELL AND GRANT

Congratulations to Mitchell Coleman and Grant Mundahl who graduated from Hatton High school.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM SERVICE

Brynley Coleman and Shelby Johnson confirmed their baptismal faith with the Affirmation of Baptism service on May 30th. Celebrate with them as confirmed members of Bethany Lutheran.

BETHANY COUNCIL

In May a few council members met to discuss masks. It was decided that we will follow the CDC guidelines. CDC guidance states that if you have been fully vaccinated you do not need to wear a mask. However, the CDC still recommends that those that are not fully vaccinated still wear a mask. Also, with 2 council seats open the council will be seeking replacements.

ELIZABETH CIRCLE

Elizabeth Circle met May 12 at Bethany. In addition to the Bible study, the ladies packed kits and quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Fifteen school kits, ten personal kits, sixteen baby kits, and twenty-five quilts were packed and taken to Grand Forks to be shipped. Thank you to all who donated items for the kits.

There will be no Elizabeth Circle in June. There will be Bible study at the WELCA retreat June 15 and 16.

WELCA - LAKEVIEW RETREAT

A reminder that the Bethany WELCA retreat will be at Toby Lake on June 15th and 16th. The retreat will begin at 9:00 each morning and will end at 5:00. Two busy and fun days of Bible study, a WELCA business meeting, crafty projects, games, great food, socializing and more have been planned. Please remember to bring these items: June Gather magazine, Bible, fabric scissors, and a yard stick or quilting ruler.

USED T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS

Linda Stromstad knows of an outlet for used sweatshirts and t-shirts. They are used in making diapers and sent to orphanages overseas. They use all sizes in any condition. If you have any you would like to donate, please deliver them to Linda.

YARN DONATIONS

If anyone has yarn, any type, that you want to get rid of, bring it to church, we will send it to the EaNDSWO convention in September, and from there it goes to prisons of ND, where they knit things to give or send away.

QUILTING REQUEST

The quilters are asking for donations of new or gently used pillowcases. They will be used to “package” the quilts before they are given away.

WEB PAGE

Check out our new web page: BethanyRuralHatton.com If you have anything you would like to put on the website contact Mark.

SUNDAY OFFERING

During this time of the pandemic, if you will not be attending worship service in person, you can send your offering directly to Richard Moen at 15159 14th St NE, Mayville, ND 58257.

BULLETIN

Bulletin announcements can be sent to Lorrie Aamold Loaamold@hotmail.com or by leaving a message at 543-3806. Deadline for the bulletin is Thursdays.

BETHANY NEWS

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