Parish Newsletter June 2023

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

HOPE Hope, more than wishing on a star. The continuing education I attended in May was powerful. Over 1,000 people in person and 1,000 more online soaking up lots of speakers, conversations with new folks and running into already known but not seen for a long time colleagues made the week whiz by. Hope for a weary world was the focus for all of us that week and perhaps for you all too as you read this.

Summer is a funny time. Thoughts of relaxation and lazy days are filled with running here and there for sports or getting ready for gatherings. Growth all around us, buzzing insects, weeds bionically reproducing, and so many opportunities to breathe (especially without a mask) and walk around the neighborhood and greet folks you haven't been able to see for a while. Perhaps they've felt overwhelmingly weary and just seeing you gives them a newfound hope. That's what we are blessed to be..hope for a weary world.

This month starts with the first weekend being the EaND synod assembly in Fargo. EQUIP is the theme there - Eph. 4:2 TO EQUIP THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF MINISTRY FOR BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST. The month ends with the UCC General Assembly starting in Indianapolis on June 30th. Gathering folks under the banner of MAKING ALL THINGS NEW - Isaiah 43:18-19 "Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old - I am about to do a new thing: now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.", many folks will be speaking and hearing words of grace filled newness.

Equipped with the Spirit of Pentecost to make all things new we all in whatever way we can be newness in a weary world. Weathering the weariness of the last few years, we're not that far out. Be renewed people of God. You are important. You are a gift. You are needed in this present season of the Spirit. Need any newness to move from weariness? Lift up your phone, knock on a door, send a smoke signal while bbqing. Whichever connection is made, let the Spirit guide.

Blessings, Pastor Deb

P.S. If you would like a pastoral visit whether in the hospital or at home please let me know. My cell phone is currently 701/550-9830, please leave a voicemail or text if you don't get an answer.

<u>NEWSLETTER</u>

Newsletter items can be sent to Tracy Foss at <u>Tracy.L.Foss@gmail.com</u> Newsletter deadline is usually the Tuesday before the last Sunday of the month. June newsletter deadline is 6-20-2023.

Parish News

SUNDAY READINGS FOR READING AND WORSHIP – JUNE 2023 RCL READINGS ARE THE SAME FOR BOTH CONGREGATIONS THIS MONTH

- June 4th The Holy Trinity
 - Gen. 1:1-2:4a; Ps. 8; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Matt 28:16-20
- June 11th 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
 - Hosea 5:15-6:6; Ps. 50:7-15; Rom. 4:13-25; Matt 9:9-13, 18-26
- June 18th 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
 - Ex. 19:2-8a; Ps. 100; Rom. 5:1-8; Matt 9:35-10:8 (9-23)
- June 25th 4th Sunday after Pentecost
 - o Jer 20:7-13; Ps. 69:7-10 (11-15) 16-18,; Rom. 6:1b-11; Matt 10:24-39

PASTOR DEB ATTENDING THE EaND SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Pastor Deb will be attending the EaND Synod Assembly in Fargo June 3rd and 4th. There will be services at our churches but please watch for any changes via text or email or in the Bulletin announcements. Holy Communion will be celebrated on June 11th

COMMUNITY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Grieving the loss of a loved one? Join our local grief support group! **Who**: Anyone, of any age who has had someone significant to them (family, children/infants, friends etc.) pass on. **When**: Every third Monday of the Month from 7-8 PM. **Where**: Hatton Community Center; Railroad Ave E. Hatton ND. Have questions or would like to connect with us: Renee Anderson: (701-430-1077) or Emily Anderson: (701-430-3633)

Mayville Congregational-UCC News

JUNE READERS

June 4 – Sarah Batesel

June 18 – Paul Batesel

June 11 – Bob Brown June 25 – Luther Stave

FAREWELL FOR AIKO HATANO

There will be a Farewell and Godspeed for Aiko Hatano on June 11th at 2-4PM.

Bethany News

JUNE READERS

June 4 – Joel Foss

June 11 – Karen Osland

June 18 – Wayne Reinhardt June 25 – Judy Stensland

JUNE USHERS

• Loretta Larson and Charlotte Lee

BETHANY CIRCLE/WELCA

There will be no Bethany Circle in June. Instead, the Tea Party will be on the second Wednesday, June 14th.

Bethany Circle met early on May 10th to pack up quilts and kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. The ladies sent 24 quilts, 26 personal care kits, and 10 fabric kits to Lutheran World Relief.

54 quilts and 11 baby quilts were also packaged up and taken to the following local places:

Traill County Social Services Sanford Hospital - Mayville CVIC Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Grand Forks Mission Churches United Lighthouse Ministries Genesis House

TEA PARTY

Tickets are being sold for the Tea Party at Christy's Lakeview. It will be on Wednesday, June 14th at 12:00 pm. Come and enjoy a lovely "lady's day out". Please wear your favorite hat!

BETHANY WELCA

Are you ready? – Ready for WELCA RETREAT?

August 2nd and 3rd are set aside at Christy's Lakeview for all women to have fun, work on projects, hold a business meeting, and our favorite – "chatting" and "laughing"!

This year's theme: "TIP A GLASS TO KINDNESS".

CHURCH TELEPHONE LAND LINE.

The land line for the church has been discontinued. The pastor and council members can be reached via their cell phones.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT LUTHER MEMORIAL HOME

The Luther Memorial Home no longer has an auxiliary. There will be times they need volunteers to assist with activities. If you are interested in doing this, contact Karen Osland or Sue Rice for more information.

JANITOR/USHER SIGNUP

Please check the Janitor/Usher signup on the bulletin board in the entry way.

COFFEE AFTER CHURCH

If you have a certain Sunday sometime this year you would like to bring something to have with coffee after Church - please put your name on the list on the bulletin board in the entry.

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.

WANT TO UPDATE HOW YOU RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER?

If you would like to update the way you receive the newsletter, or if you are a member of another church and you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please contact a church council member or Tracy Foss. Your options for receiving the newsletter are: e-mail, hard copy through the mail, or read it on the website.

WEB PAGE

BethanyRuralHatton.com If you have anything you would like to put on the website contact Mark.

BULLETIN

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

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