

Parish Newsletter

June 2022



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This is the season of the church year where our Lectionary readings between our two denominations sometimes vary. There is some power it feels to me, to have so much of the Christian church hear the same readings about the same time. I say it like that because there are different time zones and services are held at different hours and even days within a week. However, more importantly, it gives us an overview of the whole of scripture in an orderly fashion instead of a pastor focusing on their favorites. In any group there can be any number of conversations going on at the same time so one person could be hearing bits and pieces of any of them. Details get mixed up, one conversation might be about the person next door and another about a person with the same name in a totally different place. Things get shared later that aren't the same story. Are we talking about Joseph in the old or new testament? Something like that.

Our scriptures have so many stories. To share those same stories at the relative same time can lend itself to further conversations when someone asks a question or says how that story made them think or feel as the week goes on. It is suggested that when we hear a scripture reading, by putting ourselves in the story it helps us to understand not only the characters in it but to see with the eyes of another. When you worship next, will you take special note of the scripture that made you wonder most or the one you resonated with most? I walked down a hallway fairly recently to get to someone's apartment. I saw a banner on the door of another tenant which read "We are all stories. Make yours a good one in the end". Do you have a favorite story from the Bible?

I have been venturing more to get the lay of the land using the county maps. At times, I have showed up unannounced and have been greeted and had conversations that I don't get to have on Sunday mornings. It fills out the story of you for me. Don't feel you have to provide anything if I show up, you don't have to invite me in, just know you are a story worth knowing. Let me know if you want me to show up, there are stories to tell together.

In the Living Word of our God,

Pastor Deb Stave

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. There is a message machine at Bethany. There is not a message machine at Mayville U.C.C.

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 6-21-2022.

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SUNDAY READINGS FOR JUNE 2022

- June 5th - Day of Pentecost
 - Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34,35b; Rom. 8:14-17; John 14:8-17
- June 12th - The Holy Trinity
 - Prov. 8:1-4,22:31; Psalm 8, Rom. 5:1-5; John 16:12-15
- June 19th - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
 - Is. 65:1-9; Ps. 22:19-28; Gal. 3:23-29, Luke 8:26-39
- June 26th - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
 - 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21; Ps. 16; Gal. 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62

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)

Emily Anderson: (701-430-3633)

Mayville Congregational-UCC News

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

- Please remember to save things for the FALL rummage sale. Watch for details.

STONE SOUP

- Stone Soup is on hold until Fall.

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JUNE READERS

- June 5 – Judy Stensland
- June 12 – Sandy Christiansen
- June 19 – Sue Rice
- June 26 – Karen Osland

JUNE USHERS

- Loretta Larson and Charlotte Lee

THE RITE OF THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Alicia Foss, Will Ness, and Riley Johnson were confirmed on May 15th.



GIFTS SENT TO LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF BY WELCA

Bethany WELCA met in May to prepare items to be sent to Lutheran World Relief. Twenty one personal care kits, fifteen baby kits, and thirty quilts were packed and sent.

BETHANY CIRCLE

There will not be circle on June 8. Bible study and any business we have will be taken care of at the retreat at Lakeview.

TEA PARTY AT LAKEVIEW

A tea party will take place at Lakeview at 12:00 noon June 8. Tickets are being sold by Bethany women. The cost is \$15.00. There will be entertainment and surprise delicacies with tea. Don your favorite hat and join us for "High Tea".

ANNUAL BETHANY WELCA RETREAT

The annual WELCA retreat will be June 15th and 16th from 9:00 - 5:00 at Lakeview. Please bring your Bibles and June Gather magazines as we will be having Bible study.

A reminder to be thinking of what classifies as "Love in Action" which is the theme of the retreat. Pat has plans for the entire two days and we are always treated with delicious food prepared by Christie.

BETHANY COUNCIL

Bethany council met on May 18. Safe Church survey will be filled out at the next council meeting. Abram Naastad will be mowing the church and cemetery. Pastor Deb was part of the Baccalaureate service. Pastor Deb will be gone June 5 for the Synod Assembly. We will send \$100 for offering. The church will be painted this summer.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish council met on May 25. Pastor Deb will participate in community church service in Hatton on July 3rd. Budget is 33% spent so right on track. Next meeting planned for Sept. 14th.

SAVE USED GREETING CARDS

The Caring Club will be creating again beginning in April. The group will meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The members of The Caring Club cut up used cards and recycle them to design new greeting cards. The cards are sold in the lobby of Sanford Hospital in Mayville and also at Sun Center. The proceeds are used to purchase items for Sanford Mayville Medical Center. The ladies are especially in need of Christmas cards, Easter cards, and male oriented cards, but will take cards from all occasions. Please bring used card to church and give them to Char Lee.

JANITOR/USHER SIGNUP

Please check the Janitor/Usher signup on the bulletin board in the entry way. We have 1 open month to fill for the year.

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.

WEB PAGE

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

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 EaNSWO convention in September, and from there it goes to prisons of ND, where they knit things to give or send away.

REQUEST

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.

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.

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