

AES MINISTRIES

Augustana/East Sveadahl Lutheran Churches

MAY NEWSLETTER

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Remember

When I was a child we often spent Memorial Day visiting cemeteries in southeastern Minnesota. My parents, my grandma, my sisters and I would take the day and visit each cemetery to remember our many ancestors. Grandma told stories about these ancestors and explained how we were related to each one. Remembering my family in this way taught me more about who I am. I treasure these memories that taught me about faith, family and respect.

The older I get, the more I realize how important it is to remember. On Memorial Day it is particularly important to remember those who died fighting for our freedom. One of our freedoms is to practice religion as we see fit. In remembering, we give thanks for their sacrifice on our behalf. We must never take this freedom for granted nor forget those who make it possible.

Remembering is also meaningful for our faith life. God says, "I will remember my covenant...(Genesis 9:15)". We are told to "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy (Exodus 20:8)." Jesus said, "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age (Matthew 28:20b)." Remembering God's promises helps us to trust. Remembering what God has taught keeps us on the right path.

Finally, it is important to remember those who passed on the faith to us. Maybe it was your parents, a Sunday School teacher, a grandparent, a neighbor, or a friend, but they are the ones through whom you experienced the love and grace of Jesus. Remembering these role models, teachers and mentors inspires us in our faith.

On Memorial Day and always: Remember all God has done for you through Jesus Christ. Remember those who have passed this faith on to you. And remember those who have sacrificed that we may live our faith freely.

Pastor Kathleen

EAST**TRANSITIONS:**

PRAYER CONCERNS: Orval, Sonny, Rich,
Barb, Viola, Norman, Emery, Dianne, Jacob, Chloe,
Pedro

ADDRESS CHANGES:**STEWARDSHIP REPORTS:**

Needed through March	\$17,300.01
Received through March	\$ 9,695.00
Behind through March	- \$ 7,605.01
Received in March	\$ 2,461.00

Happy Birthday
Happy Baptismal Date

12 Ken Moll 6-10
 Bev Wolle 6-19
17 Jared Bridges 7-28
 Chad Wolle 8-13
22 Angela Noren 2-1
23 Dianne Miller 7-1
29 Mercedes Lenning 8-20

Additions or corrections? Please contact Susan.

Our graduating senior
Levi Sizer, son of Logan and Joyce,
will be honored on Sunday, May 14th
following the worship service.
Come celebrate with Levi!

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The mother's love is like God's love;
He loves us not because we are loveable,
but because it is His nature to love,
and because we are His children.

EAST**RADIO BROADCASTS**

May 7: First Lutheran, St. James
14: Albion
21: First Lutheran, St. James
28: Augustana

ACOLYTES

May 7:

ALTAR COMMITTEE

Sonja Coleman and Charlotte Johnson

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Wayne Jurgens and Evonne Moll

VISITING COMMITTEE

Kris Suess and Erma Griffith

WELCA HOSTESSES

May 17, 6:30 pm, Birthday Party
Committee #1: Serving-Fran, Betty, Kris
Committee # 2: Program/Decorating-Evonne, Lorita

USHERS**LECTORS**

May 7: Wayne Jurgens
14: Mike Menssen
21: Evonne Moll
28: Joann Jensen

RADIO SPONSORS

East is responsible for these broadcasts in 2017.
If you would like to sponsor the December broadcast,
please contact Susan.

Cost is \$65.00 per Sunday.

January 1:	Jerry Noren Family
April 30:	Herbert Noren Family
July 30:	W. Jurgens
October 29:	Harold and Viola Noren
December 31:	need sponsor

A closed mouth gathers no feet!

AUGUSTANA

TRANSITIONS:

MEMORIALS:

In Memory of:

Catherine Olson – \$20.00 Music Fund
 Lynn Overson – \$1,000.00 Undesignated
 Rick Gilbertson – \$200.00 Altar Guild, \$315.00
 Green Lake Ministries, \$2,450.00 Undesignated

LECTORS

May 7: Kristen Gersema
 14: Jean Leopold
 21: Leora Ask
 28: Rick Carlson

RADIO SPONSOR

May 28: The radio broadcast on May 28th is from East Sveadahl and available for a sponsor.

RADIO BROADCASTS

Sponsor a month for \$65.00, or one of four segments for \$16.25 each. March-August broadcasts are from East due to the early service time.

MISSIONARY SPONSORS

May 7: Jim & Judy Anderson
 14: Paul, Heather & Branten Missling
 21:
 28:
 The cost is \$20.00 per Sunday to help support our missionary.

USHERS

Jim Anderson, Chris Bass, Richard Gilbertson, Chad Gronewold, Darrick Miest, Bruce Sharp, Steven Walter, Doug Westman, Troy Westman

ALTAR FLOWERS

May 14: Paul, Heather & Branten Missling
 If you would like to furnish Altar Flowers for a particular Sunday, there is a poster in the Narthex to sign up on.

Flowers can be ordered and paid for at Creative Touch Greenhouse.

AUGUSTANA

MAY CIRCLES

May: 2 11:30 am Rebecca Circle – Encore
 7:00 pm Martha Circle – Augustana,
 Pat Westman - Hostess
 No Sewing Circle until September

ACOLYTES

May 7: Austin Spitzner / Hayden Davis
 14: Brandi Pierson / Maya Kulseth
 21: Peyton Engelking / Lucas Kulseth
 28:

ALTAR GUILD

Jayne Anderson, Linda Connell, Sally Engel
 Heidi Engel, Joyce Nelson, Louise Olson

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

May 7: Kristi Zellman

COMMUNION SERVERS

May 7: Jessie Shores, John Coleman
 May 14: Jim Harrington, Kristen Gertsema,
 Jessie Shores, Dominique Berg

COFFEE HOUR

May 7: Darrick & Kari Miest, John & Jeanne Miest
 14: Greg & Judy Thulien
 Judy Sizer, Don Flater
 21: Philip & LaVonne Anderson
 Kristen Gertsema, Ruth Haler
 28: Dick & Jean Lepp
 Ilene Voth, Cleo Olson

GREETERS

May 7: Jim & Jackie Harrington
 14: Cleo Olson
 21: Carol Knaak
 28: Les & Kristi Zellman

When God turns off the world at night, the stars come on. They're his screen saver.

AES MAY NEWS

KEEPING in TOUCH

Facebook: “Like” the Augustana/East Sveadahl Ministries Facebook page for pictures, updates and inspiration

AES Ministries website: www.augustanachurch.org

PRAYERS and PRAISES

We appreciate the concern and care you show for family members and friends by placing them on the Prayer Concern list in our bulletins. We do believe in the power of prayer! If you have added someone to our list, please let us know when to remove their name if the need is no longer there. Thank you.

VISITS

Our Pastors would like to visit you! If you would like to be visited in your home, in the hospital, wherever, please contact them: Pr. Kathleen at 375-4792 or 507-276-1615 and Pr. Webster at 507-956-2177 or 507-317-6670.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - CAMPS

Vacation Bible School – May 15-19 from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. – All children are invited! Call the church office 375-4792 to register!

Plan to come to **Maker Fun Factory VBS** – a week of Bible-learning experiences kids can see, hear, touch, and even taste! Registration form is included in this newsletter.

Bible Camps – June 25-30 Grades 9-12 at Camp House

July 30-August 4 Grades 1-4 at Shores of St. Andrew

July 30-August 4 Grades 5-9 at Green Lake.

OUR GRADUATING SENIORS

High School Graduating Seniors are invited to two special times of honoring and celebrating the milestone of your high school graduation. May 10 at 7:00 p.m. is the community **Baccalaureate Service**. It will be held at Augustana. Refreshments will be served following the service.

On May 14, we will honor you at the **coffee hour and at worship** at East and Augustana.

The **Graduation Ceremony** at St. James is Sunday, May 14th at 2:00 p.m. Congratulations!

Justine Beckius

James Berg

Lucas Fredin

Tyler Miller

Bailey Petersen

Jose Rocha

Michael Salazar

Bailey Schultze

Levi Sizer

Kaytlyn Wensauer

BRIDAL SHOWER

There will be an Open House Bridal Shower for **Tasha Ruser**, fiancée of Adam Walker, on Sunday, May 21st from 1 – 3 p.m. at Augustana. The couple is registered at www.zola.com and at Dikken's Furniture and Decorating in Blue Earth, MN.

WELCA NEWS

Synodical Conference

The 2017 SWMN WELCA Synodical Conference, "*Gathered in Grace*", is Saturday, May 6th at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Redwood Falls beginning at 9:00 a.m. Lenae Bulthuis writer of *The Back Porch*, musings on faith, family, and farming, is the guest speaker. In-Kind gifts are Baby Care and School Kits; blankets, quilts, and fleece blankets. Christian literature will also be taken.

This year's offering will be given: 50% to Churchwide Women, 25% to Prison Ministry, and 25% to Campus Ministry.

There will be many interesting workshops.

Registrations are due, but will be taken at the door on May 6th.

Triennial Conference

The 10th Triennial Conference is July 13-16 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. This year's conference theme is "*All New*". Guest speakers are Nobel Peace Laureate Leymah Gbowee, our Lutheran sister from Liberia; The Rev. Alexia Salvatierra, a national leader in areas of poverty and immigration and an ELCA pastor; and Kelly Fryer, Bible study leader.

Are we ready to say goodbye to nice, stand with the least of these and upend some tables? When 2,500 powerful and influential Lutheran women say yes, change will take place in this church!

May Friendship Day

Church Women United will celebrate **May Friendship Day** on Friday, May 5th, 1:30 p.m. at Augustana. This year's theme is "*Kindling New Fires of Love*". The Fellowship of the Least Coin Offering will be taken. All women are invited to attend!

Augustana

The East Sveadahl WELCA invites you to their **annual Birthday Party** on Wednesday, May 17th beginning with a light supper at 6:30 p.m. followed by the program, "The Miss Overflowing Teacup Pageant". Please RSVP to Francey Anderson (507-380-2213) or Kris Sues (507-380-3462), if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you!

The **WELCA Board** will meet on Sunday, May 7th, 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

The **Sewing Circle** will not meet again until September. We will **not meet** in May.

East Sveadahl

The **WELCA Annual Birthday Party** is Wednesday, May 17th beginning with a light supper at 6:30 p.m. followed by the program, "The Miss Overflowing Teacup Pageant". Please come and bring your friends! Please RSVP to Francey Anderson (507-380-2213) or Kris Sues (507-380-3462), if you plan to

THANK YOU\$

Thank you! Many thanks to all who helped coordinate, prepare and lead our Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter services. What a blessing these worship services were and they were made more meaningful by all who shared their gifts in coordinating, preparing, and leading these services.

Pastor Kathleen

Teaching the Love of Christ, TLC, is completed for this school year. Thank you to the teachers, assistants, leaders, and coordinators of this new ministry! We had a wonderful year of faith formation, mentoring, relationship building, playing, and praising God. This wasn't possible without the leadership of the Education Committee and the commitment of Augustana and East Sveadahl. Thank you for having the courage to try this new way of faith formation. God is at work in this ministry and all who are a part of it. I look forward to what the 2017-2018 school year will bring for TLC!

Pastor Kathleen

Thank everyone for the all the prayers, and cards sent to me while I was under medical care.

God Bless, Lorita Nasman

Thank you for Pastor Kathleen's message and for the people who worked in the kitchen who served the meal at our Dad's funeral and also to Janet & Sonja & Lisa for their special music. Thanks,

George & Maureen and Jim & Rita

Thank you to my church family,

May God give you all the love and strength and hope and peace that you have given to me and my family this past year. I fell last February, 5 surgeries and 9 months of hospitalization later I am home, in a wheelchair and walker yet. I thank you so very much for your prayers (which I still need), visits, calls, cards, flowers, baked goods, delivery of newsletter and bulletins, cable TV services you've taped and especially the quilt prayer shawl. Also, so many thanks to Pastor Kathleen for her visits.

I am eternally grateful, Suzann Olson Swanson

Thank you WELCA for the beautiful flowers and card. They remind us of the Easter Garden.

Don & Bette Flater

Prayers and concerns about my health have been appreciated. Thanks also for the pretty WELCA Easter flowers, delivered by Judy Berg and the attractive Easter greeting card made by Dylan, our TLC student.

Marge Jenkins

We want to thank the WELCA for the lovely flowers we received and the beautiful cards from the TLC children. So nice to be remembered.

God Bless all of you, Harland & Lois Hultgren

To Augustana WELCA and TLC-

Thank you for thinking of me with your gift of flowers and the card made by TLC. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Bernice Olson

Thank you to the following who shared Easter lilies at East: Steve Johnson Family, Kris Sues

COMMUNITY EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWMN SYNOD ASSEMBLY

The 2017 Assembly is June 9-10 at the Lund Center at Gustavus. The theme is *Deepen Congregation Vitality Starts With Us*. Victoria Flood, Director, Mission Support is the guest speaker, and the father-son duo of Rev. Harvey and Rev. John Nelson will lead the Bible studies. Please register **before Friday, May 19th** to get the early bird rates.

About 700 persons from throughout the synod will meet to worship God, in whose name we gather; to deliberate carefully and faithfully about God's mission in our synod; to learn from God's Word about the life and mission God has given us; and to enjoy fellowship with God's people from across southwestern Minnesota.

BOWLING

Join in on the Fun! The 6th Annual **Good Samaritan Bowl** will be here soon, and team sign-up has begun! Bowling times are Saturday, May 6th from 12-2 pm, 3-5 pm, and 6-8 pm, or Sunday, May 7th from 12-2 p.m., 3-5 p.m., and 6-8 p.m. Bowlers will be invited to collect pledges. The minimum charge per bowler is \$25 (\$100/team of four) which includes shoe rental, bowling, eligibility for a number of door prizes, and fun, fun, fun! The event will be held at Madelia Lanes this year. Contact Misty at 507-427-2464 or 375-3286 to get more details, or to sign up your team.

HOSTING

Exciting news! Our Watonwan River Conference is hosting **14 visitors from our Shiyane Circuit** (South Africa) partners. We need your help providing host homes to make sure they have a great stay in Minnesota. They will be here September 14-29.

We are looking for families of all sizes and ages to host at least two South African guests for 2-4 nights. Because of the specific interests of our visitors, we are especially looking for anyone working in or with experience in construction, medicine, education, and agriculture, but any people who are involved in their church also make good hosts.

If you are interested in hosting, please talk to Jane Wolle ([507-236-6327](tel:507-236-6327), jane.wolle@gmail.com).

GRIEF GROUP

Journey through Grief is an eight-week grief group for adults who have lost a loved one. Participants will connect with others, share their stories, explore the process of grief and healing, and find comfort in knowing they are not alone.

The Fairmont session will be held Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon, May 4 to June 29, at Fairmont United Methodist Church, 119 E. 2nd Street in Fairmont. This group will not meet on June 22.

The Mankato session will be held Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon, May 3 to June 21, at St. John the Baptist Church, 632 South Broad Street in Mankato. Please see the flyers on the church bulletin boards for more details on these grief groups.

There is no cost to participate in this grief group, but pre-registration is required. Group members will be limited to 10, so pre-register ASAP. For more information or to register, please call 507-594-2989 or 1-800-327-3721, ext. 2989 (toll free).

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GREEN LAKE

Upcoming Green Lake Events:

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH AT CAMP

Women of the Church are invited to spend the day at camp. The day includes tours, worship, lunch, pontoon ride, and a going away dessert with homemade ice cream.

St. Andrew: Wednesdays -- June 14, 21, 28; July 12, 19, 26

Green Lake: Thursday – June 15, 22, 29; July 13, 20, 27; August 3

Please notify 320-796-2181 or retreat@gllm.org when you decide to come! All are welcome!

QUILT AUCTION

This year's auction is Saturday, July 22nd. Auction begins at 11:30 a.m.

There will be live music and supper on Friday the 21st from 5 – 7 p.m.

A smoked pork lunch will be served on Saturday from 10:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Quilt Review (\$3.00): Friday – 5-8 pm; Saturday 9-10:30 a.m.

WELLSPRING

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

May 1: May Day Traditions given by Kim Askeland

8:30 a.m. Community Building, Butterfield; 9:30 a.m. Prairie View Dining Room;

10:30 a.m. Amberfield Sr+Dining Room, Madelia

GRIEVING WITH GRACE

May 23: Grief Support Event given by Chaplain John Gale, Compassionate Care Hospice

1:15 p.m. Prairie View Parlor

MENTAL HEALTH - SUICIDE PREVENTION

May is designated as **Mental Health Month**. It was created in 1949 to raise awareness about mental health conditions and the importance of mental wellness for all. In the spirit of the month, the ELCA recommends that all congregational and community leaders create and encourage a dialogue with congregation and community members about mental health awareness and the destigmatizing of mental illness. Nearly every person in the pews has been touched by mental illness in some way; individuals and families do not need to suffer in silence. Our faith communities can be an active and sympathetic sanctuary for people living with a mental illness, their family members, friends, advocates and allies. Help is available to you, and there is hope for all of us!

The mission of **Lutheran Suicide Prevention Ministry (LSPM)** is to eliminate death-by-suicide. LSPM accomplishes this through awareness, education and advocacy. Our ministry acts on the goals from the 1999 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) adopted social message, [Suicide Prevention](#). We are a grass-roots organization, empowered by volunteers who have been affected by mental illness and/or suicide.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 800-273-TALK (8255).

Don't Look Back

Looking back can sometimes bring trouble. A Sunday school teacher was telling about Lot's wife, who looked back toward Sodom and Gomorrah and turned into a pillar of salt.

Prompted by those words, a boy said, "My mom was driving one day and suddenly looked back, too. She turned into a telephone pole".

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AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 2, 2017

Present: Judy Berg, Judy Anderson, Nancy Kunkel, Audrey Swanson, Carol Zarn

Judy opened the meeting with devotions.

Secretary and Treasurer reports were approved.

WELCA served approximately 80 for the Lenten supper. Money from the supper will go to TLC. Mission Project held at Brandt Ridge was well received. About 30 residents from Brandt Ridge and Prairie View attended. Games were played and prizes awarded. Coffee and coffee cake were served.

Synodical Gathering is May 6th, in Redwood Falls. One voting member is needed from Augustana. In-Kind school kits will be brought at this time. Bags have been purchased to fill with the school supplies for the kits.

There will be a bus available to take to the Triennial Gathering in July. It will leave from Redwood Falls and Gaylord. Cost is \$25 for the concert and \$25 for the bus ride.

Flowers for shut-ins will be delivered for Easter.

Baccalaureate Services are at Augustana on Wednesday, May 10th. Bars and beverages will be served.

Tabled plans for a salad luncheon at this time.

WELCA will give a donation of \$100 to the Synodical Gathering and \$100 to the Triennial Gathering. A donation of \$50 will be sent to Braille Lutheran Evangelism Assoc.

The next WELCA board meeting will be Sunday, May 7th, at 9 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Carol Zarn, Secretary

EAST SVEAD AHL LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES –April 6, 2017

The East Sveadahl Church Council met on Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 7 p.m. Those present were Wayne Jurgens, Evonne Moll, George Nasman, Erma Griffith, Pastor Kathleen, Janet Bloomquist, Jana Anderson, and Susan Anderson.

Wayne opened the meeting in Tom's absence; Pastor Kathleen followed with prayer.

Secretary, Janet Bloomquist, read the minutes from the March 9, 2017 meeting. Minutes were accepted as read.

Evonne Moll gave Treasurers report and presented outstanding bills. Motion was made by George Nasman and seconded by Erma Griffith to approve both reports.

Jana Anderson gave Financial Secretary report. Motion was made to accept report by Erma Griffith and seconded by George Nasman. Motion passed.

Lenten supper and service offerings amounted to \$862.00. As per the motion at the March Council meeting, ½ of the offering will go to the Back Pack Program and ½ will go to ELCA World Hunger.

As April 30 is the fifth Sunday, a motion was made by Tom, seconded by George, and passed that the noisy offering will go to ELCA World Hunger and designated to the Sudan Hunger Appeal.

A motion by Erma, seconded by Evonne, and passed to pay our membership dues of \$1.50/baptized member to Green Lake Lutheran Ministries in the amount of \$350.00 for 2017.

Susan Anderson gave her report.

Pastor Kathleen reminded us of the following dates:

- The Palm Sunday Service will be at Pleasant View at 9 a.m.
- Sunday, April 24 is Blue Grass Sunday with a camp fundraiser dinner to follow.
- Our custodian has asked that we call her with any extra church activities, such as funerals and showers, so she can have the church clean. Erma or Janet will do this.

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EAST SVEADAHN COUNCIL MINUTES continued

Old Business:

An update on the sale of the parsonage was given by Wayne. It is still ongoing due to the abstract. The payment for the parsonage has been made and deposited.

New Business:

A greeter is needed at Augustana on April 30. Let Tom know if you would like to do this.

The meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting will be May 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Bloomquist

AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES – April 12, 2017

Present: Dominique Berg, John Coleman, Kathy Eiden, Jim Harrington, Deanna Hoffman, Kari Miest, Paul Missling, Steph Reid, Kyla Schломann, Jessie Shores, Lynn Watson Judy Thulien, and Pr. Kathleen

Absent: Kristen Gertsema

President Jim Harrington called the meeting to order. Devotions were shared by Kathy Eiden.

Secretary's report was approved as printed.

Financial Comparison Report was given by Deanna.

Treasurer's report was presented by Judy Thulien. No exceptions or questions were noted in the General Fund. Sunday School offering balance in the Consolidated Fund report was questioned. Youth committee will bring recommendations to disburse this fund to close out. All funding is done now thru TLC. MSC to accept report as presented.

Pastor Kathleen:

Busy working on Bible Camp and Holy Week.

We currently have 26 youth attending camp with a possibility of 2-3 more. This is a record! \$8,840.00 will be needed for this.

Blue Grass worship service and meal following will be a fundraiser for Green Lake Camperships. She will have a baptism on April 30th.

The pre-marital retreat went very well. She will plan to do this again in the future. Thanks to Audrey Swanson and Leora Ask who provided the lunch and snacks for this.

Baccalaureate service will be at Augustana on May 10th at 7 PM.

AES Ministries:

Deanna reported they did not meet this month.

Next meeting is on May 3rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education:

VBS Coordinator is Kathy Eiden, and it will be held the week of May 15th.

Last Mentor meeting will be held on April 26th.

Graduation Recognition will be held on May 14th during worship and coffee hour.

Lynn Watson is grilling the meal for the last TLC on April 26th.

Evangelism/Social Ministry:

Noisy offering on April 30th will go to support the famine in Sudan.

Finance: No meeting this month

Property/Cemetery:

Water fountain has been installed.

There is a new faucet in the sink by the coffee maker.

Doors are all installed.

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AUGUSTANA COUNCIL MINUTES continued

Paul Missling brought up an idea for a retaining wall in the parking lot by our storage building. Rock is graded up and also when there is run off, it erodes and would make a more definite parking boundary. They will bring option suggestions to next meeting.

Since more will be walking around the north side of our building, it is suggested that we have a light installed there to light up the path.

Youth Ministry:

No meeting.

They are planning for Easter breakfast and worked the steak fry last week.

They are also editing the job description for Director of Faith Formation position.

MSC to proceed to hire to fill the position.

Worship & Ministry: No meeting

OLD BUSINESS:

Contract is done and will be signed by Jim Harrington for the summer lunch program use agreement.

The tuck pointing contractor will let us know 2 weeks ahead of when they will plan on starting the work on the outside of building. Need to get the windows to complete that project.

Deanna advised that for the Larson Memorial Scholarship five candidates qualified. MSC to present them to Lisa Carlson for processing.

Security Cameras were discussed. We have received 1 price estimate. More research will be done before we decide to proceed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sink in janitor's room needs repair/replace.

Siding on garage/storage building will be done with members completing.

Next meeting is May 10th at 8:00 PM. Due to the Baccalaureate Service at 7:00 p.m. at Augustana, the May meeting time will be 8:00 p.m. following that Service.

****Reminder June, July & August meetings are at 7 PM****

Devotions - Kristen Gertsema

Communion Servers: May 7th - Jessie & John

May 14 - Jim, Kristen, Jessie & Dominique

June 4 - Jessie & Kathy

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Deanna Hoffman, Secretary

MAKER FUN FACTORY – VBS 2017

YOUNG PEOPLE WANTED: VBS CREW LEADERS!

Join Maker Fun Factory VBS as a Crew Leader! There is no prep work involved but we ask that you arrive 10 minutes early to be sure you can greet your 5 crew members every day. There will be nursery crew leaders and elementary crew leaders. Your "crew" will consist of no more than 5 students of various age levels and you will have the same students every day. This way you really get to build up a relationship with your new friends! You will be the one making sure that your students get to the correct stations at the proper time. Remember, you will not be the teacher, the station leader will be the instructor. And all age levels are going to be together, we are not doing grade levels this year. (Nursery children will be separate for part of the day.)

This will be the perfect opportunity for youth to be actively involved with VBS. Children love it when Jr. and Sr. High students take the time to be with them. This is going to be a fun week with great activities, music and snacks! Please notify Pastor Kathleen or Kathy Eiden if you are willing to be a crew leader.

WE NEED YOU!!

Date: May 15 - 19

Time: 8:30 -11:0 a.m.

Place: Augustana Lutheran Church, 603 Armstrong Blvd. North

For: Students who were age three by September 1, 2016 – those who will be completing sixth grade in May 2017.

Daily Themes:

Monday – God made you.

Tuesday – God is for you.

Wednesday – God is always with you.

Thursday – God will always love you.

Friday – God made you for a reason.

Volunteers Needed:

Crew leaders: A crew leader has five students in their group and leads them to each station/rotation and assists.

No prep work is required.

The prep is done by the station leader.

Station Leader: Leader needed for the snack area and for Kid Vid Cinema.

Contact Kathy Eiden or Pastor Kathleen to volunteer in either of these areas, or if you have questions about VBS.

AES Ministries and Firs Presbyterian VBS Registration Form 2017

NAMES _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ GRADE _____

PARENT/GUARDIANS(S) NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____

DAD'S CELL _____ DAD'S WORK _____

MOM'S CELL _____ MOM'S WORK _____

EMAIL ADDRESSES _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT (include name, relationship to child, address, phone numbers)

WHO WILL BE PICKING UP YOUR CHILD FROM VBS? For safety, we ask that all children leave from the front door. (list all)

SPECIAL CONCERNS/ FOOD ALLERGIES? _____

Participants, by involvement in programs or activities, give permission to use any photographs taken by Augustana and East Sveadahl Ministries for any and all church promotions and publicity. We do not use the names of children on our website or Facebook.

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

Please return this form to the office at Augustana or mail to: AES Ministries, PO Box 151, St. James, MN 56081.

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ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA 56081
TELEPHONE: 507-375-4792

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MAY

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

May 7, 14, 21

8:30 am East Sveadahl
9:15 am Coffee, Augustana
10:30 am Augustana

May 28 - August 27

8:30 am East Sveadahl
9:15 am Coffee, Augustana
10:00 am Augustana

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May 15-19 8:30-11:30 am
at Augustana

**AUGUSTANA
EAST SVEADAH
LUTHERAN CHURCHES**

Pastor, Kathleen Ulland-Klinkner

Visitation Pastor, David Webster

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