

GOOD NEWS

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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First Lutheran Church
Monthly Meeting Council Minutes
May 18, 2022



Meeting was called to order by President Mike A. at 6:00 pm.

Members present: Mike Aasen, Nancy Stute, Brian Knudson, Janell Shannon, Andrea Bardell, Laura Kersten, Katy Drader, Sheila Bertsch,

Members Absent: Jenna Nelson, Swain Benson, Joe Kjelskus

Others Present: Pastor Carol Wendel, Tammy Hahn

Acceptance of agenda/additions:

*Brian K. made a motion to approve the agenda with an addition. Katy D. seconded it. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

*Updated printed balances on accounts provided

*Brian K. made a motion to approve the April Treasurer's report, seconded by Sheila B. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

*Sheila B. made a motion to approve the April Council minutes provided by Janell S., Andrea B. seconded. Motion carried.

Devotions by Pastor Carol: a reading from John

Committee reports:

Endowment: 9 requests were submitted requesting \$40,847 and 9 were approved for amounts \$36,438 as following:

1. \$1000~Parish Ed-24 bibles
2. \$6,500~Parish Ed-Confirmation classes/Meals/Banquet meals
3. \$10,000~FLC-6 fireproof file cabinets
4. \$2,159~FLC-Bunn Coffee Brewer for Fellowship Hall
5. \$3,750~Bottineau Boy Scouts-camping expenses and supplies
6. \$5,000~SMP St. Andrew's Foundation-Physical Therapy Dept. upgrades
7. \$1,800~FLC-Tech Committee-65" QLED Smart TV and Mobile TV cart
8. \$8,500~FLC-Tech Committee-3 computers for office, multi-media & software, and Treasurer
9. \$2,138~Women of FLC-2 Convertible refrigerators for FL Church Stand

Katy D. made a motion for money to be sent out, Sheila B. 2nd, motion carried.



Minutes Continued



Parish Ed:

- *Will not meet in June, already gearing up for Rally Sunday in September
- *6 seniors for Senior Day
- *Andrea B. made a motion for \$100 of Bottineau Bucks be given to Shawna A. and \$100 to Faith B. for their great work with our youth as they step down, Nancy S. seconded, motion carried
- *Youth Director position has been advertised

Worship:

- *Did not meet in April and will not be meeting over the summer months

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- *Applications granted for \$500 to each of our 5 graduating seniors

Property:

- *Usage agreement discussion
- *3 leaks on the roof on the North side-working on quotes
- *Phones are in working progress with Turtle Mountain Communications

Mutual Ministry: No report

Evangelism: No report

Vision: No report



Old Business:

- *Call process-No new applicants, Call Committee is going to be revising the paperwork
- *Treasurer position-HR Committee met 2 weeks ago, there was 1 applicant-came across qualified and confident, Deanna Abernathey
 - ~Brian K. moved to hire Deanna A. at \$700/month starting June 1st, Laura K. seconded, motion carried.

New Business:

None

Pastor Carol Time: Nothing at this time

Closing: Lord's Prayer was prayed

Motion to adjourn: Brian K. made a motion, Janel S. seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

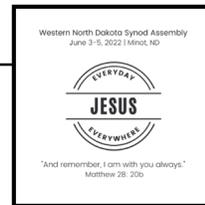
Next meeting is June 14, 2022 at 7pm

Minutes submitted respectfully by FLC Council Secretary, Nancy Stute



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Are you aware of electronic giving or online giving? If you are interested in secure, safe ways to give to the church please contact the church office at 228-2228. OR you can be routed directly to the mobile version of our online-giving page by scanning this image. Or log-on to our website, www.bottineauflc.org and click on the DONATE button.



Assembly Offerings

Thank you for your generosity!

Worship Offerings:

\$2,216.94 to support the Western ND Synod Lutheran Youth Organization

\$2,641.94 to support ELCA Missionaries Anne & Willie Langdji

Love Offering for Outdoor Ministries: \$2,917.00

Gifts to support our companion synod – The Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Central African Republic:

\$4,402.71

In addition to the regular offerings of the synod assembly, Bowman Lutheran Church brought a beautiful handmade quilt in featuring hearts in the colors of the Ukrainian flag to be offered up in a silent auction. Proceeds will go to Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) in supporting refugees from Ukraine in Eastern Europe. The winning auction bid combined with generous individual donations raised over \$1,300.

Over 230 members of the Western North Dakota Synod gathered together in Minot June 3-5, 2022 for Synod Assembly. The theme for the Assembly was “Jesus: Everyday. Everywhere.” Based on the Great Commission found in Matthew 28:16-20, this theme focused us deeply in the ways Jesus’ commissioning of the first disciples at the end of Matthew’s gospel is also the commissioning for Jesus’ disciples across Western North Dakota today. Jesus’ promise, “I will be with you always,” is not only a promise for those early disciples. It is also a promise for each and every one of us. Everyday, everywhere, and in everyone, Jesus is with us.

Preassembly Events: Preassembly festivities began Friday morning as synod council prepared to welcome voting members and guests from across the synod. They had the opportunity for conversation with this year’s representative from the ELCA Churchwide offices, Dr. Mary Steufert, ELCA Director for Justice for Women in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Preassembly workshop had the choice to attend 2 of 3 options Friday afternoon. North Dakota author and speaker, Dr. Clay Jenkins shared readings from his recent book *Language of the Cotton woods* and invited participants into conversation about spirit of place, the sacred in landscapes, the relations between Native Americans and non-natives, the necessity of wild places (and cottonwoods), and the future of North Dakota. Dr. Terri Elton, Professor of Leadership at Luther Seminary, St. Paul MN introduced participants to the exciting work happening at Luther Seminary and introduced the Faith+Lead (faithlead.luthersem.edu) platform which offers theological learning opportunities for lay and rostered ministers alike to support and inspire creative ministry across the church. The final options was led by Dr. Mary Steufert invited participants to join Come to share your experiences of the Lord’s Supper and see how the Lord’s Supper can be a basis for common life together in the church and in society.

Friday ended with an evening reception celebrating outdoor ministry. Summer staff from our synod’s bible camps joined assembly participants sharing stories of faith and the gift of music. These gifted staff were blessed and sent to share the love of Jesus with children and adults across our synod.

Synod Assembly: The Assembly was wrapped in worship, beginning and ending with gatherings of word and song centering us in the one who calls us, the one who is with us everyday, everywhere, in everything we do – Jesus. Opening worship on Saturday morning featured the preaching and leadership of Rev. Larry Giese, Chaplain at Missouri Lutheran Care Center in Bismarck. Sunday offered the entire synod the opportunity to worship together as Bishop Craig Schweitzer shared a message with the assembly that was also shared via video or read by lay ministers in local congregations gathering in worship across the synod. This shared message offered an opportunity to celebrate our unity and connection even as we are dispersed in communities across this prairie.

Dr. Terri Elton, Professor of Leadership and Interim Academic Dean at Luther Seminary, St. Paul led the assembly in Bible Study. Building off the theme, Dr. Elton reminded us, “You are God’s Beloved.” If there was ever a time to take seriously Jesus’ promise to be with us always, it is now. Asking the question “What difference does Jesus make?”, Dr. Elton invited participants to reflect on the real-life situations in which the creative and redemptive love of Jesus is found in tangible ways, inviting us to live a new way of life rooted in faith. She reminded us that faith is not a check list, but rather a dynamic relationship with the triune God. She invited us to think about faith as 1) a Gift, unearned and unconditional, 2) a Compass for living, 3) a Witness to a peculiar store of deep love and mercy about Jesus and the colorful characters God chooses to love, and 4) an invitation to be an Agent of God’s love as God says to each of us, “Go be a part of this love movement wherever the Holy Spirit might lead.”

Throughout the assembly, we heard of the ways Jesus is continually showing up in the ministries of our congregations and across the world through God's people and the partnership ministries that our congregations have the opportunity to partner with. Ministries featured included the work of the ELCA Foundation, Mission Investment Fund, Portico Benefit Services, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (LIRS), Lutheran Services in America, Lutheran Campus Ministry at Minot State University, The Western ND Lutheran Youth organization and many, many more.

We received greetings from the bishops of neighboring synods on behalf of our siblings in Christ in congregations across the church, including our domestic companion synod the Northeastern Ohio Synod, as well as the Eastern North Dakota Synod and the South Dakota Synod. We also received greetings from the president of our global companion synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Central African Republic.

ELCA presiding bishop Elizabeth Eaton shared a video message highlighting how ministries of the ELCA continue to share the message of the love of Jesus with their neighbors near and far in creative and faithful ways. Dr. Mary Steufert's churchwide report highlighted our mutual ministry together and was undergirded with a sincere word of gratitude to the members of this synod for their generosity in both dollars and involvement in ministry efforts. The commitment of this synod to continuing to raise up leaders in ministry and care for neighbors in powerful and tangible ways here on the prairie and around the globe is both appreciated and recognized.

Along with the work of the assembly in plenary, this year's format offered ample time to enjoy one another's company and give thanks for the opportunity to gather in person once again. We saw a return to providing space for conference caucuses for voting members from geographic areas to meet one another and engage conversation about the hopes and challenges of ministry in their local areas. A variety of workshop were offered Saturday afternoon for learning and growth, covering a variety of topics. Rostered Minister and Congregation anniversaries were recognized during closing worship on Sunday morning.

We give thanks for the abundant ways that Jesus is at work across this synod. Every day. Everywhere. In Everyone. Jesus is here.

Summary of the Work of the Synod in Plenary

Elected to Serve on WND Synod Council:

Conference Representatives: Badlands Conference - Rev. Mary Wiggins, Scranton; East Missouri Conference- Ms. Beth Campbell, Bismarck; Lonetree Conference – Mr. Tim Huseth, Harvey; Lonetree Conference – Deacon Jodi Lorenz, Underwood; Upper Missouri Conference, Clergy – Rev. Michael Olson, McGregor; Western Prairie Conference – Ms. Lisa Haugen, Garrison; At-Large Position - Ms. Alyson Schepp, Rugby.

Elected to Serve on WND Synod Discipline Committee:

Rev. Janet Mathistad, Minot, Rev. Jacob DeBoer, Steele

Western ND Fiscal Plan for 2023

Action: Passed

The Assembly adopted the fiscal plan for the 2023 fiscal year as proposed by synod council.

2023 Compensation Guidelines for Rostered Ministers

Action: Passed

The Assembly adopted the 2023 Compensation Guidelines for Rostered Ministers serving in the Western North Dakota Synod as proposed by synod council.

Resolution Regarding Climate Change and Global Warming

Action: Did not Pass

The Assembly considered a resolution submitted by First Lutheran Church of Tioga, ND which expressed thanks to God our Creator for global warming which has kept the land of our synod habitable and productive, encouraged congregations to pray for God's guidance in addressing climate change, and memorialized the next Churchwide assembly of the ELCA to do likewise.

Resolution Regarding Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Action: Passed

The Assembly considered a resolution submitted by Embrace the Miracle Addiction and Mental Health Team of Christ Lutheran Church, Minot and signed onto by rostered ministers serving in Minot and the surrounding area. The resolution calls on the assembly to respond to the substance abuse and mental health crises by creating a Task Force on Substance Abuse and Mental Health to advise leaders and congregations in collaborating and forming partnerships with state and local authorities and non-governmental agencies, directs synod council in consultation with the Bishop and Synod staff to appoint members of the task force including lay and rostered ministers., and that once appointed this task force encourage and promote ways for local leadership staff rostered ministers and congregations to work together to bring hope and healing to those affected. The resolution also call that this body memorialize the 2022 Churchwide Assembly of the ELCA to consider this resolution and explore the formation of a churchwide task force on substance abuse and mental health that will provide information support, educational materials and networking for ministries dedicated to combating this crisis.

First Lutheran Fair Stand



Thank you all for supporting the FLC Fair Stand! Funds go to fulfilling our mission of donating to local, regional and worldwide disasters, needs and organizations!



2022



Metigoshe Day Camp



Metigoshe Day Camp was a hit! We had 40 children attend from several different churches. Thank you to Parish Ed, all of our volunteers, children, parents and Metigoshe Ministries for a fun-filled week had by all! There are two thank you cards in the narthex from Metigoshe Ministries - one for the congregation and one for the volunteers!



Congratulations on your First Holy Communion!

† DAWSON KLABO

† KOLTEN HANSEN



-Parents: Sherene & Tyler Hansen

Pictured left to right: Tyler Hansen, Kolten Hansen,
Dawson Klabo & Sherene Hansen with Pastor Glenn Berge



In Loving Memory of *Gene Nehring*

A new Eternal Flame candle was donated in Loving Memory of Gene Nehring by his wife, Reenie & Family, and sons, Ron & Marilyn Nehring & Family, and Mike & Deb Nehring & Family. Thank you Nehring Family for the beautiful memorial & thank you to all who helped with the ordering and install, especially Mike Foster, Brian Knudson & Willie Hahn.



Redick John Derr



BAPTIZED ON JUNE 26, 2022

Born: February 22, 2022

Parents: Zach and Mikayla Derr

Sponsors: Andy and Katryna Brossart

Sponsor: Eli Derr

**SUNDAY
SCHEDULE**

Worship
9:00 a.m.

*Coffee Fellowship
to Follow*

Altar Guild

Diane Pritchard
Sheila Bertsch

**FLC CHURCH
OFFICE HOURS**

Office: Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Vice-Pastor: Wednesday
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**CLOTHING CENTER
SCHEDULE**

Tuesdays & Thursdays
10am - 3pm

Please call the office
regarding donations.
Thank you.

**Service Group Chairper-
sons**

Lynne Boettcher

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with a Sunday
service, please
call the
church office
at 228-2228.



ARLENE BERGE
96 Years
ON JULY 6TH



BETSY TALLON
98 Years
ON JULY 11TH

IONE SKARPHOL
100 Years
ON JULY 12TH

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and well wishes to celebrate
their birthdays!
Their address is:
**316 Ohmer Street
Bottineau, ND 58318**
Arlene Berge - **Room #105**
Betsy Tallon - **Room #124**
Ione Skarphol - **Room #126**

Baby
BOY
coming
soon!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
Baby Shower
honoring

Rachel Meakins-Tolia

SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2022
10:30 A.M.
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH





BOY SCOUTS SCRAPE PAINT FOR NEW MURAL

The Boy Scout Troop 1528 has a reputation for hard work, but this may take the cake. The Food Pantry building, on the west side of Jason's Grocery Store, is slated to get a beautiful mural painted on it. Tim Schroeter with the Food Pantry was excited to see a bunch of Boy Scouts come by and start scraping paint and pressure washing the building to prepare the surface for the murals. Boy Scouts pictured from left to right: Bryce Saykally Asst. Senior Patrol Leader, Dakota Corley Eagle Scout, Mason Longie Senior Patrol Leader & Luke Sampson. IF YOU HAVE A PRESSURE WASHER and a couple of hours to help, please contact Tim Schroeter at 701-228-4098 as they need help right away to get the rest of the building done.
Submitted by Christian Corley



GOT CHANGE? SUPPORT THE BOTTINEAU FOOD PANTRY!!

The Evangelism Committee is implementing a new mission to help people in need. Spare change will be collected every Sunday for the next couple of months. The Mission Church change collected will be given to the Bottineau County Food Pantry. Please drop your donations into the little mission church which will be located in the narthex each Sunday. Thank you so much!



KEEP YOUR EYES OUT FOR YOUR MIDDLE OF THE YEAR GIVING STATEMENT!

Statement will be mailed the first part of July with your offerings for January-June. Please check them over and if corrections need to be made, please email the treasurer at flctreas@utma.com.

2 Corinthians 9:7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

BOOK GROUP WITH PASTOR CAROL

Thursday afternoon book group, whose focus is on racism:

We will begin a new read, "Rising Out of Hatred" by Eli Saslow, on Thursday, July 21st at 3:30. We meet in the small shelter at Tommy Turtle Park (Conference Room at First Lutheran in case of a storm) and plan for about an hour and a half of discussion. I will send a reminder and a note on how far to read a bit closer to the meeting date, but wanted to allow for plenty of time to secure the book. For those who are interested in learning about racism and how to combat it, please feel free to join us! *Pastor Carol*



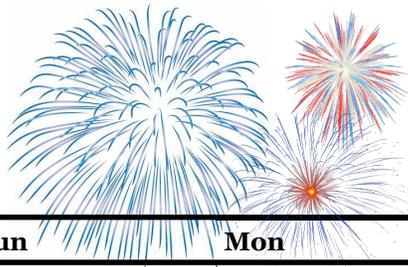
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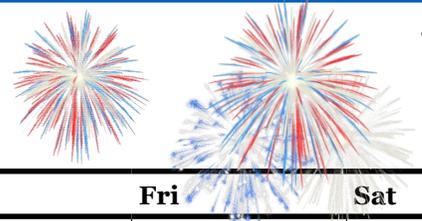
First Lutheran is seeking a full-time Youth Director. The Youth Director is responsible for serving the church and community by developing, coordinating, and administering an effective and comprehensive ministry for K-12. Full-time, competitive wages, benefits and vacation.

Contact Tammy at 701-228-2228 for more information or to apply.





JULY 2022



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Sunday Morning Worship Broadcasts 8:30 a.m. - Radio - Sunny 101.9 FM (prior week's service) LIVE - Facebook - www.facebook.com/FirstLutheranChurchBottineau 10:00 a.m. - Television - Local Cable Channels 19 & 52						1 	2
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3 9am-Worship <i>Coffee Fellowship to follow</i>	4 CLOSED  7pm-Boy Scouts	5 11am-Visitation Team 5:45pm Girls Bear Troop-CY 5:45pm-Girl Scouts-Hall	6 	7 10am-Coffee	8 	9 10:30 am-Baby Shower Rachel (Meakins) & Vinay Tolia
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10 9am-Worship/ Communion <i>Coffee Fellowship to follow</i>	11 7pm-Boy Scouts	12 5:15pm-Parish Ed 5:45pm Girls Bear Troop-CY 5:45pm-Girl Scouts-Hall 6pm-Property 7pm-Council	13 	14 10am-Coffee	15 	16
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17 9am-Worship <i>Coffee Fellowship to follow</i>	18 7pm-Boy Scouts	19 5:45pm Girls Bear Troop-CY 5:45pm-Girl Scouts-Fellowship Hall	20 2pm-Rebecca Circle	21 10am-Coffee 3:30pm-Book Group with Pastor Carol-TTPark (FLC Conf. room if inclement weather)	22 NEWS-LETTER DEADLINE	23
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24 9am-Worship/ Communion <i>Coffee Fellowship to follow</i>	25 7pm-Boy Scouts	26 5:45pm Girls Bear Troop-CY 5:45pm-Girl Scouts-Fellowship Hall	27	28 10am-Coffee	29 Noon-Senior Companions	30 
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July 2022

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Andrea Bardell
Katy Drader
Janell Shannon

Vice President: Jenna Nelson
Joe Kjelshus
Brian Knudson
Sheila Bertsch

Secretary: Nancy Stute
Laura Kersten
Anthony (Swain) Benson
Member Vacancy

CALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mike Aasen, Jenna Nelson, Sheila Bertsch, Shawna Allard, Nate Olson and Rachel Stewart

WORSHIP SERVICE / LIVESTREAM: Sundays - 9:00 a.m.

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