

**“Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak.  
Courage is also what it takes to sit down and  
listen.” —Winston Churchill**

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# Hainesville Newsletter

Hainesville Lutheran Church ELCA Sturgeon Bay, WI

**“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.” (John 16:12-13 NIV)**

## WITH GOD’S GUIDANCE

I appreciate good guidance, and I’m thankful that my world is full of resources for it. If I have some computer issues, I can jump on the internet and watch a few videos. If I have some car issues, I can go to a trusty mechanic. If I have some people issues, I can ask a friend or family member for guidance. But guidance is only as good as the person who is giving it.

God’s guidance is always good. It’s the best guidance. In our reading above, we see how carefully Jesus explains where the Holy Spirit’s guidance comes from. He says, “[The Holy Spirit] will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.” But since the Holy Spirit is God and God’s guidance is always good, why is Jesus so careful in explaining this chain of guidance?

A chain is only as strong as its weakest link. In displaying some of the inner workings of the Trinity, Jesus shows us that God’s chain of guidance doesn’t have any weak links! Jesus, who is God, is sending the Holy Spirit, who is also God, to give us guidance that comes from the Father, who is also God, and Jesus. The chain is not weak. It is divinely strong. We can have confidence in this guidance because it is completely God’s guidance.

Human guidance can be very weak. I may watch a video that doesn’t help me with my software issue. I may go to a mechanic who isn’t trustworthy. My friends and family don’t always give me perfect advice for people problems. Even worse, my heart and mind can easily deceive me to follow crooked ways. Psalm 118:8 says, “It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust humans.”

Look closely at the guidance you receive. Where is its source? Is it from God? Can you confirm its validity in the Bible? God’s guidance is the good and reliable guidance we can trust.

**Holy Trinity, every good and perfect gift comes from you. We thank you for the reliable guidance that is rooted entirely in you and your Word. Guide us on those straight paths. Amen**

## THIS MONTH .....

- Sunday morning worship 9:30 AM it may also be viewed online through our web site or YouTube
- Book Club Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00
- Men’s Bible study meets Wednesdays at 8 AM
- “Grace” Book Study Tuesday June 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30
- Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> Motor Show 9-2
- Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup> Outdoor worship in the pavilion
- Church Council Monday June 15<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM
- WELCA Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup> at noon
- Grief Support Group June 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 9AM Quilting for Missions
- June 25<sup>th</sup> Hainesville Lunch Bunch at Kitty O’Reilly’s

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# HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH

## "The Little Church with a Big Heart"

### COUNCIL MEETING—APRIL 20, 2026

Present: Jim Vogel, Ellen Klister, John Melland, Pastor Mary Lou Plummer, Don Heldmann, Dean Larson, Lana Ferry, Lora Schaefer, Lori Langer-Flick

Absent: Joanne Adlon

The meeting was opened by Jim Vogel at 5:30 p.m. leading the Council Prayer.

Motion was made by Ellen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lora to approve the meeting agenda. Motion approved.

#### Pastor's Report: (Mary Lou Plummer)

- New Book Study to begin in June, "Grace" by Max Lucado, council will purchase the video help
- She was hacked again and contacted Quantum about this
- She met with the confirmation students prior to Confirmation Sunday they are both good to go
- Contacted Southern Door School to see if there were any students who would not graduate because of being in arrears
- A new Southern Door Youth Group is being formed and asked permission to use Hainesville as a meeting place. Permission granted.

#### Worship, Music, Arts: (Dean Larson)

- New computer has been installed for the Office Manager
- Communion assistants assigned
- He is looking into internet options because of the unreliability of Broadband

#### Social Concerns: (Lora Schaefer)

- Spring Clean-up will be May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 weather permitting
- Continues to take dry goods to Feed My People

#### Evangelism: (Lori Langer-Flick)

- Card sent to visitor

#### Property/Maintenance: John Melland, Don Heldmann

- Don met with Orkin we will proceed with their plan to close gaps where mice are getting in
- Sign is down by the front steps
- New sump pump was installed in the furnace room
- Will cut down the trees in front of the church that are harming the building

#### Education:

- Confirmation Sunday is all set to go

#### President: (Joanne Adlon)

- Signed a new contract for a replacement printer for the office

#### Vice President: (Jim Vogel)

- Signed a contract with Conrad-Schmidt to fix the windows on the west end of the church

#### Treasurer: (Ellen Klister)

- Purchased the water softener that the WELCA had given money for
- Soil & Water Commission will be coming this summer to check for Phragmites an invasive plant
- Need for a laptop for her work at church because the one given to her previously is no longer usable
- Motion by Lana, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lora to approve the treasurer's report. Motion approved.

#### Secretary: (Lana Ferry)

- Motion by Ellen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don to approve the secretary's report. Motion approved.

#### Upcoming church special events: (weddings, funerals, baptisms, etc.)

- April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Hainesville Lunch Bunch
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Spring Clean up
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Confirmation
- May 20<sup>th</sup> – Salad Luncheon

#### Old Business & Action Items from Previous Meeting

- Nordic Grant – nothing new
- Interfaith Coalition for Housing – bids are coming in slow, by late summer it should be ready to occupy
- Safe Training – Ellen and Lori will see what has been done so we know what to do next
- Internet Service – Dean is checking what we can do

#### New Business

- Plaques for windows – checking on this

#### Open Property Items

- Sign in front of church
- Front steps – repair
- Painting – basement, office, and hallway
- Parking lot – paving/stripping
- Cedar Shakes – replacement/painting
- Landscaping around building
- Check list

#### Tabled Items

- Lighting Assessment – need to contact a lighting specialist regarding upgrade
- Sump pump – different kind was purchased

Closing Prayer & Adjournment: Motion by Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John to adjourn the meeting. Motion

## Affirmation of Baptism/Confirmation

Lots of work goes into the quilts that have been a special Gift to the youth on their confirmation as they are Confirmed. This year was no exception. In case you didn't get to see them that day this is what they looked like as that work was in progress. Thank you to all who worked on this important gift.

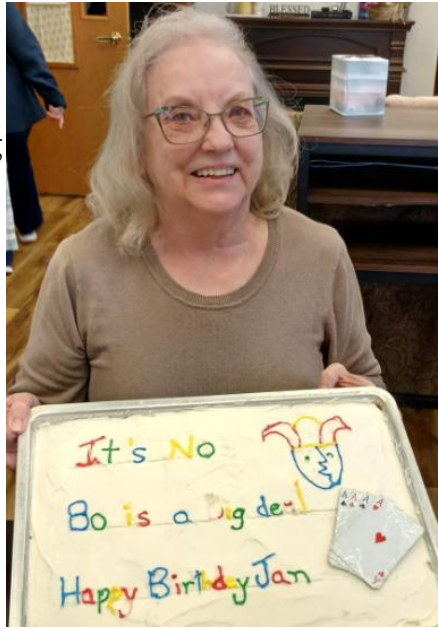


A lot of work also went into the preparation for these young gentlemen. If you missed it you really missed something wonderful. Each gave testimony to their faith and how it plays out in their lives. It was very moving.



As part of the celebration the Church Council arranged for a chicken dinner and of course a cake. A special thank you needs to go to Heather Haese for all the work she has done for years in our confirmation program.

An attempt is being made to recognize milestone birthdays. You or someone you love is having one please let some know. Can never have too much cake!!!! Congratulations Jan and Roy!



**Birthdays in June**

- June 1<sup>st</sup> Rilynn Brunette
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Sue Nusbaum  
Linda Ciccone
- June 11<sup>th</sup> Marlene Larson
- June 15<sup>th</sup> Kyanna Borkovetz
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Marie Weber
- June 19<sup>th</sup> Gene LaPlante
- June 24<sup>th</sup> Russ Klister



**Wedding Anniversaries in June**

- June 6<sup>th</sup> Bill & Sharon Albert
- June 7<sup>th</sup> Jeff & Heidi Gutschow
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Jim & Marla Vogel
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Clay & Kim Hartwig
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Emery & Pam Freiberg
- June 26<sup>th</sup> Luke & Becky Brown



Thank you to all who sent cards, warm wishes and prayers to Dave and me regarding his recent surgery. The warmth and concern expressed is heartwarming and very much appreciated! God bless you all!

Pastor Mary Lou and Dave Plummer



**NEW MEMBER SUNDAY** will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup>. If you or someone you know would be interested in joining our Hainesville family, please let Pastor Mary Lou or the office know.

## CLEAN-UP AROUND THE CHURCH AND THE DITCHES



For many years we have cleaned up the ditches along County M. This time one of the neighbors brought out a bottle of water for us to enjoy. Thank you for the kindness.



The flower beds around the Church got a lot of attention.



Making the lawn better in places was another job well done.



As always here at Hainesville, fellowship is an important part of the process. Many great workers made the day enjoyable. The ladies did the kitchen the day before, however no pictures were taken. Thanks to all that work as well.

## Salad Luncheon



**GOODS AND GOODIES SALE  
July 18<sup>th</sup>**

Collections are in full swing for the goods & goodies sale. **Please make sure the items are clean and sellable.** Please bring your items by July 11<sup>th</sup> so we can price and prepare that last week.

**DO NOT LEAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING**

- \* Clothing of any kind
- \* Microwave ovens
- \* Exercise bikes or treadmills
- \* Heavy sofas
- \* Computers/peripherals
- \* TV sets/monitors
- \* Refrigerators
- \* Freezers
- \* Organs
- \* Air conditioners
- \* Mattresses
- \* Cribs
- \* Car seats (they have an expiration date)

**All other items are very much appreciated and we thank you. If you put things in the school house or the garage please make sure that the door is locked behind you. If any larger items or questions please call Carolyn Melland at**

**920-743-4470  
920-495-2871**

All set up.....

Begin with prayer.....

“Bon Appetit”



The Church Council has decided to do a pictorial directory after it has been requested. They are asking for your cooperation in getting the pictures taken. Please see Lori Flick or Lana Ferry to get your pictures taken. Thank you.



Outdoor worship begins on June 14<sup>th</sup> and will be the second Sunday of each month through the summer, weather permitting. This is a great way to enjoy our summer weather and share God's love at the same time.

"There is just one way to bring up a child in the way he should go, and that is to travel that way yourself."  
—Abraham Lincoln

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 9:30 <b>Worship</b>  L-Z	1	2 <b>Book Club</b> 10:00	3 8 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast Group	4	5	6
7 9:30 <b>Worship/Holy Communion</b>  A-K	8	9 "Grace" Bible Study 9:30	10 8 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast Group	11	12	13 <b>Motor Show</b> 9:00-2:00
14 9:30 <b>Outdoor Worship</b>  L-Z	15 5:30 PM Church Council	16 <b>WELCA noon</b>	17 8 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast Group	18 <b>Grief Support Group</b> 6-7	19	20
21 9:30 <b>Worship/ Holy Communion</b>  A-K	22	23 <b>Quilting for Missions</b> 9:00	24 8 AM Men's Bible Study & Breakfast Group	25 <b>Hainesville Lunch Bunch</b> 11:30 at Kitty O'Reilley's	26	27
28 9:30 <b>Worship</b>  L-Z	29	30				

**Sharon** (Albert), **Linda** (Anderson), **Tom** (Angermeier), **Bill & Sue** (Aune), **Cindy** (B), **John** (B), **Mike & Rina** (Clumpner), **Dan** (Fenrich), **Pam** (Freiberg), **Alan** (G), **Barbara** (Hughes/Dean), **Dawn** (Jeanquart), **Charlotte** (K), **Patricia** (Kehl), **Cindy** (Knapp), **Keith** (Knapp), **Myriah** (Krueger), **Don** (L), **Kenny** (Meyer), **Beth** (Pachniak), **Kristin** (Reinert), **Matthew** (Rocque), **Delores** (Schuyler), **Irene** (Thorson), **Debby** (Zahn), **Brixanna**, **Marley**, **Carole**, **Russ**, **Christina**, **Gretchen**, **Katlyn**, and **Sophia**.

## Keep Them in Your Prayers

"Pray in the Spirit at all times with all kinds of prayers"  
*Ephesians 6:18*

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Hello Motor Show volunteers, spectators and participants. Our third annual Church Motor Show is coming up soon, June 13<sup>th</sup>, and we will need some volunteers to distribute flyers and ask for donations. We will be drawing winners to receive what was donated. Donors will be recognized on the day of the show. We also need a few volunteers to set up Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> (this usually only takes an hour. Meeting time will be determined by volunteer's availability). We need a few volunteers to work with Marla Vogel in concessions. Please see Gordy or Marla. We will have games for kids to play. **There will also be a bake sale and a craft sale in the fellowship area.** The show has been a lot of fun! I hope to see you there!



Thank You! Gordy Hughes