

"Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible."

—Corrie ten Boom

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In the absence of a full-time pastor, I am trying to be creative in the front page of our newsletter. Ideas are welcome. This month it is taken from a devotional book.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" (Mark 4:40NIV)

FEAR VERSUS FAITH

What do you keep on hand to minimize your fears? Small children might have a flashlight next to their bed for those really dark nights. Maybe it's a stick or a fly swatter in the kitchen, in case one of those really gross-looking bugs comes crawling your way. Perhaps it's your spouse, whose hand you hold when you find yourself in an uncomfortable situation. Whatever your fear—when you have that person or object by your side, you feel comfortable and at ease.

If we look back at these disciples in the boat, we might wonder why they were so afraid. Yes, the storm was furious, but Jesus was there. They had already seen Jesus perform some incredible miracles. If he could do those things, then what's a little storm? But the storm came, and they were afraid. When things got tough, they should have trusted in Jesus. But they doubted his love and power.

Fear is one of the devil's greatest tactics to draw us away from Jesus and to keep us from carrying out his will. Jesus promises to be with us wherever we go. We have experienced his blessing on our lives and on the lives of others. Yet foolishly we still allow fear to overwhelm us.

We should have no problems talking to people about the love of Jesus, and yet sometimes we avoid the topic because we're afraid of how someone will respond. We shouldn't be afraid when our church pews aren't as full as we'd like them to be, our Sunday school numbers are low, or our budget isn't being met. We become afraid when death comes knocking at our door, and our memories are flooded with all the wrong things we did in the past and the judgment we ought to face because of them.

Thankfully we have a Savior who continues to love us in spite of our doubts and fears. We have a Savior who was never afraid in spite of all the trials and tribulations he would have to endure. We have a Savior who continues to defend us before our heavenly Father, reminding him that his son already paid the price for our sins. We have a Savior who continues to remind us of his promises—to be with us always, to provide for our needs, to lead people to faith when we share our knowledge of him, and to give us life forever in heaven.

Dear Jesus, strengthen our trust in you so that we do not give in to doubt and fear. Amen.



THIS MONTH at a glance

- **Sunday morning worship 9:30 AM; YouTube live broadcast beginning at 9:30 or available on demand following the service; parking lot service available Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM**
- **Book Club Tuesday July 5th at noon "Murder-Bears Moonshine and Mayhem : Strange Stories from the Bible to Leave You Amused, Bemused, and (Hopefully) Informed" by Luke T. Harrington**
- **Men's Bible study meets Wednesdays at 8 AM**
- **Council Meeting Monday July 18th at 6PM**
- **WELCA Tuesday July 19th at noon**
- **CCC (Quilting) Tuesday July 26th at 9AM**

Lunch & Literature Group

Will meet at noon 1st Tuesday of each month

Lunch and Literature Book Discussion Tuesday July 5th at Noon

Book choice: “Murder-Bears Moonshine and Mayhem: Strange Stories from the Bible to Leave You Amused, Bemused, and (Hopefully) Informed” by Luke T. Harrington

This humorous book is full of new insights into ways we’ve been missing the point of so many beloved Bible stories.

Approximately 80 percent of Americans admit they haven’t read the Bible. If they did, they’d be pleasantly surprised by its impressive quantity of sex and poop jokes. David danced naked. Noah was basically a moonshining hillbilly. Ezekiel baked poop bread. Herod was eaten by worms. Jesus cursed a fig tree, just to prove he could. Mark went streaking. Hosea married a prostitute. Lot was date-raped by his own daughters.

It turns out, there’s a lot of weird stuff in the Bible. *Murder-Bears, Moonshine, and Mayhem* is a funny look at some of the stranger tales in the Bible. From Elisha, who loosed homicidal bears on some kids because they called him bald (it’s a long story), to the story of Ehud, who gets away with assassinating a tyrannical king because his servants think said king is taking a dump (also a long story), this book examines and casts new light on some of the Bible’s stranger moments. Organized by topic (poop, genitalia, weird violence, prostitution, gratuitous nudity, seemingly pointless miracles, and other fun stuff), *Murder-Bears, Moonshine, and Mayhem* is a thoroughly researched (really!), reverent, and insightful look at the amazing book at the center of our faith.

Lunch and Literature Book Discussion Tuesday August 2nd at Noon

Book choice: “The Four Winds” by Kristin Hannah

From Kristin Hannah, the number-one New York Times best-selling author of “The Nightingale” and “The Great Alone”, comes an epic novel of love and heroism and hope, set against the backdrop of one of America’s most defining eras—the Great Depression.

Texas, 1934. Millions are out of work and a drought has broken the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as the crops are failing, the water is drying up, and dust threatens to bury them all. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance.

In this uncertain and dangerous time, Elsa Martinelli—like so many of her neighbors—must make an agonizing choice: Fight for the land she loves or go west, to California, in search of a better life. “The Four Winds” is an indelible portrait of America and the American Dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

Keep Them in Your Prayers

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

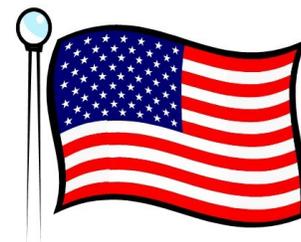
Rusty (Allen), **Lindsay** (A), **Tom** (Angermeier), **Marissa** (Bartos), **Shirley** (Brandt), **Karen & Del** (Brewer), **Eugene** (Clark), **Danielle** (Davis), **Merle** (Eskildsen), **Emery** (Freiberg), **Ruth** (Grainger), **Richard** (Hannemann), **Anna Lisa** (Jilburg), **Shari** (Krueger), **Ellie** (Krull), **Larry** (Mallien), **Natalie** (Markham), **Joe** (May), **Francine** (Meyer), **Ken** (Overland), **Matthew** (Roque), **Alice** (Roque-Angermeier), **Eric** (Thorson), **Kari** (Uetz), **Jim** (Vogel), **Aubrey** (W), **Jeanine**, **Joe**, and **Troy**.



- July 1st Derek Hannemann
Don Lauscher
- July 2nd Kaden Borkovetz
Laura Borkovetz
- July 3rd Shanna Schmitz
Joey Wilke
- July 6th Kraig Aune
- July 8th Linda Monahan
- July 10th Ellen Klister
- July 17th Adam Gutschow
- July 19th Ardy Lauscher
Finley LaVine
- July 21st Gary Hannemann
Shanna Larochele
- July 22nd Samuel Sund
- July 24th Martha Rasmus
- July 27th Jim Vogel
Madison Ashman
Leslie Petersen



- July 8th Jim & Linda
Monahan
- July 16th Arne & Peggy
Odegaard



Council Meeting June 21st, 2022(unapproved) Minutes

Present: George Sincock, Gene LaPlante, John Mel-land, Ellen Klister, Marie Weber, Linda Monahan, Sue Nusbaum

Absent: Gordy Hughes, Heather Haese

Opening Prayer; Call to Order: by George Sincock

Secretary voted on: Sue Nusbaum is new secretary

Agenda accepted, motioned by Marie, 2nd by John

Worship, Music, Arts report: (George read the report from Gordy:)

1. To have communion on 1st&3rd Sunday & name the assistant servers for the bulletin
2. Passing the offering plate
3. Start Family choir again

Social Ministry Report: (Marie)

1. Goods & Goodies - July 16, 2022
2. Chicken Croissant Luncheon - August 17th
3. Thank you's to Gene for garden chips, Ellen & Russ for spreading wood chips on gardens

Evangelism Report: (Linda)

1. Linda sent out thank you cards for donations
2. Prayer Shawl will be sent to Jim Vogel

Property Report: (Gene/John)

1. Gene was thanked for getting garden wood chips
2. Gene trimmed around church sign at Sand Bay Rd & Park Dr.

Education Report: (Heather), not present

1. Jim Hanstad giving up teaching to concentrate on the church music

Vice President Report: (George)

1. Council will be reviewing & revising the Church Constitution over the next months, then to be presented to the congregation in the Fall
2. Possible Interim Pastor candidate
3. Thank you to Dave Freier for fixing the light switch in the women's bathroom.

Secretary Report: (Sue) Accepted & approved May minutes motion by Gene 2nd by Marie

Treasurer Report: (Ellen) Accepted & Approved May financials, motion by John, 2nd by Linda

Vice President Report: (George)

1. Bricks ready for installation, George will complete install
2. Work continues on chalking & repairing Sanctuary windows thanks to George & John
3. Gene will bring a dump truck after Goods & Goodies to remove discards, instead dumpster
4. The new tent will be used for Goods & Goodies Sale
5. Covid Report - Very low in our area
6. Fire insurance - \$11,700. received for ceiling tiles & painting George & Gene, & volunteers, will install new tiles & seal them
7. Tabled the investment consideration until next meeting
8. Insurance for Church - need "sexual harassment" included in policy by 2023, Ellen will look into this matter

New Business:

1. Linda will send Jim Vogel a card after his procedure
2. Pig Roast discussed for future community event
3. Have Bake sale & Ice Cream social at the last outdoor service @ 10:30 am.
4. Pulpit Pastoral supplied through Sept (Ellen)
5. Redo Form for facilities use, Pavilion, Sanctuary, Church Hall motion by Marie, 2nd by Sue, when revised Lana will add to church website
6. North Sanctuary windows rotted, George getting estimate for repairs
7. Council members will make "Friendship Calls" to All members, to reach out & get members to return to Hainesville
8. Leave message "masking optional" in bulletin
9. Request for Monday Council meetings instead of Tuesday, motion by John, 2nd by Marie
Next Meeting: Monday, July 18, 2022
10. Voted to spend money for one hour of a lawyer's time "to clarify votes & motions from former meetings" 6 yes & 1 no

Closed with prayer: Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm, accepted & approved by Gene, 2nd by Marie





Women of the ELCA

UPCOMING EVENTS THIS SUMMER

July 16th 9 AM—1 PM goods & goodies sale
 lunch served as well as having a bake sale & craft items for sale

Goods and Goodies Sale July 16th

Collections are continuing for the goods & goodies sale. Please leave donations no later than July 9th. DO NOT LEAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING

- * Clothing of any kind
- * Microwave ovens
- * Computers or Peripherals
- * TV sets or Monitors
- * Refrigerators
- * Freezers
- * Organs
- * Air conditioners
- * Mattresses



Set up for sale 7AM
the day of the sale.

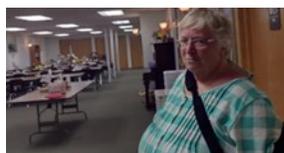
**All other items are very much appreciated and we thank you. If any larger items or questions please call Carolyn Melland at 920-743-4470
 920-495-2871**



Wednesday August 17th
Chicken Salad Croissant Lunch
Noon—1 pm Tickets \$15 each

Women's Group Fish Boil

The Women's Group Fish Boil was a success! So many people (members and non-members) helped to make this happen. We certainly have a good team at Hainesville! Special thanks to Marlene and Pete Larson for coordinating the event and Marla and Jim Vogel for supplying the hamburgers. We served over 60 people and received many compliments. Here are a few pictures from the event.





JULY

2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30 Worship Holy Communion	4 	5 Noon Book Club	6 8 AM Men's Breakfast Group	7	8	9
10 9:30 Worship	11	12	13 8 AM Men's Breakfast Group (put up tent and tables follow- ing)	14	15	16 7AM set up 9AM -1PM Goods and Goodies Sale 1PM clean-up
17 9:30 Worship Holy Communion	18 6 PM Church Council	19 Noon WELCA	20 8 AM Men's Breakfast Group	21	22 <i>Newsletter deadline</i>	23
24/31 9:30 Worship (24th) 9:30 Outdoor Worship (31st)	25	26 9 AM CCC (Quilting)	27 8 AM Men's Breakfast Group	28	29 <i>Newsletter Printed</i>	30

Council members for 2022: *Vice-President-George Sincock; Secretary-Sue Nusbaum; Treasurer-Ellen Klister; Property— Gene LaPlante & John Melland; Music/Worship— Gordy Hughes; Education—Heather Haese; Social Ministry—Marie Weber; Evangelism—Linda Monahan*

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PLEASE HELP YOURSELF

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Over the summer, keep in mind that we still can be collecting items for LWR School kits. Peggy Odegaard has approximately 80 school bags ready to be filled. **ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PERMITTED**

Watch for sales to stock up! All items for the school kits are to be new. Here is the list.

- * FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide-ruled or college-ruled paper (no loose leaf paper)
- * ONE pencil sharpener
- * ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

- * ONE pair of blunt scissors
- * FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils
- * FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- * ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons
- * ONE 2 1/2" eraser

Shipping date is October 7, 2022. Now is the time to get the supplies when they are on sale. There will be a collection box and a chart as to what is still needed in the basement. As of the writing of this newsletter all the items are still needed.

