



Sunday & Beyond

The East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

September 2009



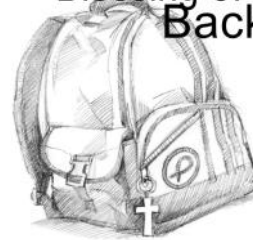
Pastor's Column ~ Christianity, Capitalism, and the Crash

We've now been in a recession for almost two years. As we have hit certain key points along the way—the collapse of many banks, the burst of the housing market bubble, the fast increase in unemployment, and the dramatic restructuring of our auto-making industry—I have spent time, like many of us, trying to make sense of it all. Specifically, I have wondered, "What should I preach during this time?" I have also wondered, "How are Christians called to care for each other during this time?"

I'll admit that I don't have a lot of easy answers. Some basic tasks come to mind: pray for and comfort those who have lost their jobs; volunteer in the community to help those adversely affected by the economy; help people realize that their dignity and value as a person isn't in their work, but in the love God has for them as a child of God. Our family also increased our benevolence, assuming that the church, and many needy and poor people, needed even more assistance during a recession than during times of relative prosperity.

However, as a pastor I felt (and still feel) ill-equipped to relate biblical faith to the larger economic and global dynamics that are in play. How does our faith shape our response to the current economic crisis? All of us started reading articles in the paper and hearing news on television that offered analysis of market forces, and many of us have come to support or oppose the way our government has taken action in relationship to the crash. Suddenly even regular newspaper articles mention economists like John Maynard Keynes or Adam Smith, and we're all supposed to know who they are. We're all economists now, and we're called to relate our faith to these issues. I imagine we've all been on a

Blessing of the Backpacks



Bring your backpacks to church Labor Day weekend, September 6th, for a special blessing. Start the year of school off right! We will bring the backpacks and briefcases of students, teachers, and education workers forward for a special blessing and prayer. This can be an especially meaningful time of prayer for students who are starting school for the first time, or changing schools. But it is always great to ask for God's guidance and support whenever we start another year of school. So bring your bags, plus a canned good for the food pantry that we'll use the following Sunday for our Rally Day Canned Goods Tower.

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Intern's Insight ~ Nathan Strong

I think Jesus must have been Lutheran (and surrounded by them).

I would like to thank everyone for welcoming me into the community. I have been involved in committees and visiting those who were not able to join us for worship, along with getting to know everyone on Sundays. It has been great to get introduced to people but I look forward to getting to know more about you.



This last Sunday was the 165th celebration of East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's first worship on the Anderson's Homestead and such a great celebration it was. There were so many people gathered together and we were able to worship God in His wonderful creation. The food for the potluck that followed also amazed me. The salads, the casseroles, and (my favorite) the deserts looked and tasted delicious. With six tables put together and not a single empty spot, it was truly a sight to see. I was reminded of the feeding of the 5,000. Surely when Christ was there, he was a Lutheran and the people there were too. We hear about the five loaves and two fish of the boy but I am sure Martha had a salad, Mary had deviled eggs, and surely someone had a chocolate desert. No, I am not saying that this story was not a miracle. The way I see it, Christ was saying that there is plenty of food here for all to be satisfied. We have more than enough. Christ raised the bread and the fish to God and gave thanks for it was from God that these gifts came. The people were filled and there were leftovers. Just as there was more than enough at our potluck, people were satisfied and there were even some leftovers.

I have seen many great and wonderful gifts that God has given this congregation. I see gifts in the great amount of space for ministries (two church buildings), supporting international missions, people sharing their gifts of leadership, sharing praise in song, and uniting in worship with one another. God has given this congregation an abundance in which each person can share in ministry with one another and with those outside of the church. I look forward to getting to know more people, the gifts that God has given you, and how we are all serving Christ in this community. If anyone would like to chat or share some of life's adventures with me, I always enjoy getting to know people. Please let me know what would work best for you.

Nathan
Intern Pastor



Wednesday worship: Worship with us every Wednesday at 6 p.m. It's a great gathering to invite friends and family to who may not be able to attend Sunday service, or who are looking for a chance to rock and praise Wednesday evenings. This fall, the music will be a mix of some of our favorite praise & worship music from the radio, plus remixes of classic hymns. Led by our house band, this service also includes communion.

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steep learning curve through this time. Not only have we had to change some of our habits, maybe reducing our expenses in order to live as a one income household. We've also had to make decisions about our generosity, how we will help our neighbors in need. And we've been forced to learn some of the intricacies and complexities of a global free-market system.

I have decided to be intentional in study and prayer in this area. I'm convening a study group that will meet at the synod office every other month. The focus of our study will be on this question, "How do you as an intentional-theologian respond to the current economic crisis in your speaking, spending, and caring?"

Here's the description of the course:

The economic crash of 2008 needs no introduction. It does, however, require a theological response that critically examines the underlying causes and charts a Christian response informed by faith seeking understanding. Christian ethicist Mark Douglas helpfully describes the economic dynamics that precipitated the crash as two opposite-spinning spirals. One spiral surges upward. As competition increases and profits are shared and reinvested, wealth is distributed. Or so it should. Then there is the downward spiral that spins out of control once credit tightens, consumer debt piles up, loans default, and the stock market falls, resulting in untold misery. The crash reveals just how precarious the current global economy is. Does biblical faith have anything to do with the financial "laws of the household" (Greek oikos + nomos, the basis for the term "economic")? Does its vision of peace imply an altogether different economic order? If so, is it one that improves upon or rejects entirely current economic practice and its theoretical foundations?

The foundering economy presents a propitious opportunity to consider the place and purpose of the so-called free-market economy in all its complexity from the perspective of faith. Doing so broaches such issues as sin, the "life abundant," wealth and poverty, stewardship, materialism, and the purpose of life, indeed creation.

The meeting dates for this conversation are September 9th, November 18th, January 13th, February 3rd, May 12th, and July 14th. So far, the group includes many lay people and clergy in the synod, and I'd love to have a few folks from EKLC join the conversation. I can send you a copy of the syllabus if you're interested. We're reading really interesting books, like Paul Krugman's *The Return of Depression Economics*, a lively history of the development of economic theory, books on the relationship between giving and forgiving, and of course, lots of bible study.

As a congregation, we are also trying to minister during the economic downturn in caring ways. On Labor Day, we are praying for the unemployed, and petitioning God for blessings on all those seeking work. This will include a time for laying on of hands and anointing. Consider joining us for that special service.

Finally, as Brenda Schroeder mentions in her invitation to the MAKE IT SIMPLE program, we are centering our fall generosity appeal on practices that encourage simplicity, joy in community, and generosity. We hope you will join us for these events.

In Christ,

Pastor Clint

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Although council normally meets the third Tuesday, our meeting in July and August are on the 4th Tuesday. If you have any issues you would like to add to the meeting's agenda, please contact the office prior to the day of the meeting.

September Council Meeting 9/8/2009

Treasurer's Report



Income, June 2009 ~ \$12,806.00
Expenses, June 2009 ~ \$18,415.52

Income, Year to date ~ \$100,446.45
Expenses, Year to date ~ \$136,730.68

Financial Secretary ~ Linda Dieckhoff
Treasurer ~ Holly Loomis

July Council Minutes

Present at the meeting were Pastor Clint, Linda Dieckhoff, Trudy Spike, Peggy Luther, Judy Rusch, Sabra Jacobson, and Bobbie Rawinski.

Pastor Clint led the meeting with meditation and prayer on Philippians 2: 1-11, a key Scripture verse for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

An oral report was given from the Worship Committee.

Oral additions were given to Pastor's Report including intern update and reflections from New Orleans.

Treasurers Report was discussed and placed on file. Simplicity and Generosity Campaign will be coming up in the fall. Letter for additional giving for our budget will be put in with the financial statements that are scheduled to be sent out. Thank you was given to Linda for her 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ years of service as Financial Secretary.

A motion was made by Trudy and the consent agenda was approved.

Inviting Congregation Task Force discussion will take place after Steve and Sabra can schedule a meeting.

A motion was made by Sabra to give Jens Notstad \$400 from the Youth and Family Ministry account and give him the opportunity to write a note in our Newsletter explaining his campus ministry mission. Trudy thought this was groovy.

The results of the U.S. Congregational Life Survey were discussed and council was encouraged to review the data they have been given. A copy of the results is available for review in the narthex.

Personnel concerns will be placed in the bulletin and in the next newsletter publicizing the need for a financial secretary and an organist. The Worship Committee will work through the hiring process for the organist.

Our intern, Nathan Strong, has moved in and will start his work here on Sunday. Council expressed thanks for Hilary Mani, Ryan Terland, and Ric and Karen Bronson's assistance with his move-in.

On Friday there will be a meeting about the flooring in the Narthex.

Discussion took place concerning lightening and electrical damage from last week's storms.

There has been no response from ATC about the letter we sent.

Sabra gave her opinion on eyebrows.

Cool and Groovy stuff happening this August that we need to celebrate:

Ten new members

Welcoming our new intern

New Orleans update from our high schoolers

Congregational meeting on August 9

Our 165th Anniversary celebration on August 30th

And . . . Sabra's birthday

Motion was made and passed by Sabra to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer. That was groovy, too.



Church Council Meeting Minutes

WELCA News



Summer is swiftly coming to a close and we can look forward to the busy time of year. That doesn't mean we can't take time to enjoy the beauty of our Wisconsin autumn.

Peace circle with Joanne Gyland and Irene Swain as chairmen is making arrangements for our next meeting on September 3rd. This will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 pm. Carolyn Lien will introduce the Bible study for next year and Diane Luginbuhl will report on the convention held at Bishop O'Connel's retreat in June.

As I peruse the "INTERCHANGE" a communication from WELCA I note several projects that other WELCA units participate in. We might be interested in learning more about them. One is the "Katie's Fund" which supports our work in making global connections, developing WELCA leaders and nurturing women's faith through Bible study and other educational resources and opportunities.

Another is "Rachel's Day: Taking action for children with a storybook project." Rachel's Day is observed on the first Sunday of May. This project encourages incarcerated mothers and fathers to read to their children.

A DVD is available to help tell the story of WELCA, the purposeful work we do and the important ministries that we support with our funds.

Be sure to send Jo Lee your check for \$33.00 for the Christian Fish fry on Tuesday, September 22 at the Fireside.

Let's have a bang-up beginning for the year on September 3rd at 2:00 pm in Fellowship Hall!!!

Submitted by Mary Ellen Christensen, WELCA Communicator



Triumphant Quartet September 22, 2009

"Christ is the reason we sing," proclaim the members of Triumphant Quartet. David Sutton, Clayton Inman, Scott Inman, Eric Bennett, and pianist Jeff Stice form the acclaimed Quartet. Through the power of their beautiful harmonies, they testify to those who are searching and lost. Formed in 2003 as Integrity Quartet, they began their ministry at the Louise Mandrell Theater in Pigeon Forge. Year after year their members were nominated individually and collectively for many awards and their songs continued to top the charts. After five successful years at what has now become the Miracle Theatre, the group is now traveling full time, sharing the Gospel all across the country. Their powerful combination of talent, commitment, and unwavering faith insures even more success in the years to come -- in God's name

*Those attending please remember and be sure to leave a server gratuity.

Thank You!



West Koshkonong's Norwegian Fish Boil



Friday, September 11, 2009

Tickets available for 4:30pm, 5:30pm and 6:30pm

Menu: Fish, Red potatoes, Carrots, Onions, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Lefse, Coffee, Milk & Norwegian Goodies!!

Tickets available in advance at: WKLC, 873-9456; Old Deerfield, 764-5743; Nordic Nook, 877-0848 for \$11.00

Tickets at door: \$12.00

Thank You

- Dear Friends, Thank you so much for the opportunity to attend the Association of Lutherans' Church Musicians Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin the first week of August. The day I chose to attend out of the entire conference was inspirational and rewarding, including 3 concerts (one choral, one organ and one choir), two church services (a healing service and a worship service), visiting two churches (one Lutheran, one Catholic) and hearing the acoustics/organ, one panel discussion on the relationship between clergy and church musicians, music exhibits all day, a visit to the exhibits at the Milwaukee Art Museum and a sumptuous pork loin buffet at the museum in the Windhover Hall. The museum is famous for its "wings" designed to open and close outside the building over the hall where we ate and heard our concert. We got to see the huge flaps on the wings open and close also during the sunset hours, while we could also watch the activity of sailboats and other vessels on Lake Michigan outside the huge window wall. Truly, the event was designed to give new enthusiasm to all church musicians."

~Audre Lee Kurowski

- Special thanks to a first time volunteer, KAYLYN HINCHLEY, who with her Mom (and sister) offered delivering Meals on Wheels for 2 days and this making it possible for me to deliver only 1 day and making it possible to enjoy a great community Lake Ripley Park picnic! Also, many thanks to faithful volunteers Harriet El, Carolyn L., Bea H., and Marge S. for taking time from their busy summer schedules. Our church's next assignment to deliver is from Nov. 9 thru the 20th.. An early bird has already signed up for the 2 Mondays (9 and 16) May I hear from others who wish to bring a ray of sunshine to ones in need of a warm noon meal? Call Wilma at 423-3194.

~Wilma Furseth

- THANK YOU to my church family for offering to help when need arises! Several church's reported no one able (or willing) to help!! Thank you to Glee and Earl Ellickson and Alma Houfe for offering to donate 2 pies and then help at the social. Thanks too for all who bought tickets for the raffle. No one I sold tickets to won but Pat Larson, from neighbor Rockdale Church, sold a winning ticket to Katy Lund. I brought her homemade coverlet she won to her and we had a nice visit too! The social was a successful event.

~Wilma Furseth

- Thanks for making the newly opened Peace Lake Towers apartment facility for elderly and disabled a more beautiful place. We are grateful for your hard work and hope you enjoyed your visit to New Orleans!

~Ellyn Meier

Project Manager

Peace Lake Tower

- **Thanks to everyone who helped with the Bible Reading Marathon.** We had folks from young teens to 80's participate. I spent two hours there early Wednesday morning, and it was a joy to read the Word as the sun came up and brightened our world with the sun (and the Son). Only the sounds from the garbage trucks spoiled the morning. We read the whole 2 hours from Jeremiah, and though the youngest of us got a whole lot of hard to pronounce names, we learned about God being the potter and us the clay, and about God's covenant with God's people.

~Thank you, thank you, for all your help. God Bless you. Carolyn

Church News

Book Study ~ Gilead



Cambridge Food Pantry

Update:

The whole program is amazingly well organized. It will be opening on Sept. 1 and they are ready to go. There have been some awesome donations, The Pig donated shelving from the old store, also refrigeration units and signage. The shelves are well stocked and people will be bringing produce in after it opens. I'm really excited about it and the outreach and support staff for any other kinds of needs is also in place. The Cambridge area is blessed to have such a facility.

Food Pantry Rep, Kathy Bergholz



This invitation is for anyone who may have an interest in reading for fun, reading for spirituality and/or discussing faith as it is conveyed through literature. On Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30 at EKLC, there will be a discussion of the book Gilead by author Marilynne Robinson, for which she won the 2004 National Book Critics Circle prize for fiction and the 2005 Pulitzer prize for fiction.

Set in Gilead, Iowa, the book is narrated by a 76-year-old pastor named John Ames who has been told he is terminally ill and believes he is facing imminent death. He decides to write a long letter to his 7-year-old-son (from his recent marriage), which reads as a diary and is, in essence, the book. A story of history with themes of father and son tensions, God the father and his son, and the prodigal son parable, Gilead is beautifully written.

This book is available through the new library (1 copy) in the narthex of EKLC. Gilead is also widely available through the South-Central library system where there are 64 copies available, 12 available sound recordings, and 14 books in large print. Please come and bring a friend. Hosted by Elizabeth Kaashagen.



We are currently looking for volunteers to help staff the nursery Sundays during Worship. A commitment of once a month is asked.

If you're interested please contact the church office:

**Phone: 423-3017 or
email: eklc@bminet.com**

Sunday School News

We are very excited to launch a brand new curriculum, entitled, *Spark!* This is a lectionary-based program, which means each weekly lesson will mirror one that is studied in that week's worship service. Each child will receive their very own, age-appropriate Bible to use each week in Sunday School.



To get started with the year, we'd like to invite you and your children to the Blessing of the Backpacks at the September 6th service, where your child will receive a blessing for a successful school-year. The following week, September 13th, is Rally Day, and will officially kick off the new year! Please plan to attend this important orientation to meet all of the Sunday School teachers, learn more about the program, and answer any questions that you may have. Also, please bring a canned-goods donation for the local food pantry. We will give the children the opportunity to build a pyramid using the donated items as well as help out the local charity.

The regular hours for Sunday School will be 10:15 am - 11:00 am., with one exception: the children will sing in church on the 1st Sunday of each month. During that service, after the Prayer of the Day, Pastor Clint will dismiss all the children and teachers for a special project in the Fellowship Hall. The children will return to join their families for communion. Also, we have signed up the Sunday School to host coffee hours for most of those Sundays as well. We will be working out a sign up schedule for donations for coffee hour.

We are excited about the upcoming year and we hope you are too! Feel free to contact us if you have any questions, concerns or are interested in getting involved! We can never have too many hands!

Sincerely in Christ

Ann Nottestad, Superintendent

Heidi Woodstock, Youth Music Director

Your Sunday School Leaders



Confirmation

2009-2010

Our confirmation program launches September 2nd this year, and the theme is "Bible and the Mission of God." Throughout the year, we'll be studying the bible and every week asking ourselves the question, "What mission is God calling us to through this bible verse?" It's like Mission Impossible, but by the grace of God we'll be able to do God's mission in the world. Wednesdays confirmation meets from 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sundays it meets every other Sunday after worship. The Sunday gatherings are focused on service and learning projects in mission.

If you know of middle school age youth interested in an adventure of faith, consider referring them to our awesome program. Our adult leaders love the program so much that almost all of our small group leaders are returning for another year. Thank you to Scott Zahn, Janalee Wagner, Bobbie Rawinski, Barb Killen, Heidi Woodstock, and Brian and Carol Gunnelson for their continuing leadership in this spectacular faith development program.

A Note from Jens Notstad

Hello EKLC!! Some of you may know this already, but work in campus ministry at Northwestern next year. Below is a little bit more about that, in case you are interested!

The ministry I will be working for is called Church of the Redeemer at Northwestern, an Anglican church that was started four years ago. Our mission is to be a Church body in the Northwestern community that is transformed by Christ through meaningful worship and authentic relationships. We desire to live out our faith in ways that engage today's college students, fusing qualities of missional organizations and student groups while still being a fully functioning church body. We have members that are active in many student groups (Christian and secular), community activities, and local organizations.

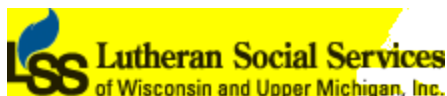


Basically, my role will be that of an un-ordained pastor. I will be running our leadership team, organizing small groups and Bible studies for members, coordinating students with mentorship and discipleship opportunities, among other things. Hopefully, I will be spending a lot of time on campus, meeting with students, attending performances, and just hanging out in the dorms and elsewhere.

I'm currently in the process of building a support team for the next few years, and would *love* to share more about this ministry and work with you, if you are interested. This is something I am very passionate and excited about!! I can be reached at **(608) 443-9100**, or by email at jens.notstad@gmail.com. Thanks to members EKLC for your support already, I look forward to talking with you or seeing you soon!

In Christ,

Jens Notstad



Interested in joining our refugee co-sponsorship committee, which will help resettle a Bhutanese refugee family in the Madison area in 2009-2010. Join us for our orientation meeting September 22nd at 6:30 p.m. Rebekah Johnson of Lutheran Social Service will provide an orientation session where we learn about the tasks and goals of being a refugee co-sponsor committee. We already have about 10 folks who have volunteered, but we can always use more! Location: Council room.

"Make It Simple"

Dear Congregation Members,

This year our congregation will be participating in a generosity and simplicity program entitled "MAKE IT SIMPLE." The MAKE IT SIMPLE theme will be the focus for our worship services Sunday, September 20th, through Sunday, October 11th. The concluding worship will include an opportunity for each household to bring forward to the altar their Commitment Card indicating their financial support intent to the ministry of our congregation for the coming year.

The theme for MAKE IT SIMPLE provides important opportunities for study, reflection, and discussion about the choices we make in our daily lives in these times. During these four weeks, in addition to our worship activities, we will have an opportunity to hear from fellow congregation members. We will hear what it was like living during the depression era, how giving has made a difference in someone's life and have an opportunity to cook together. We will also be having our traditional pie auction.

Our congregation is celebrating our 165th anniversary this year. Our founding, and past members, made personal commitments to build our church, and our ministries. It is now our responsibility to maintain the church property, and to continue our ministries within our vision of, "Gods work. Our hands." Please consider including an additional pledge to our building fund when completing your Commitment Card.

We invite and encourage you and your family to participate in the MAKE IT SIMPLE activities.

Sincerely,



Brenda L. Schroeder
MAKE IT SIMPLE Committee Member



Pastor Clint Schneckloth

Integrated Counseling Services

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

One of the common challenges people often face is knowing where to refer themselves or others, for professional counseling and therapy. In case you are not familiar with Integrated Counseling Services, I want to make you aware of our services. ICS was started over 35 years ago by Fort Atkinson area churches as an independent, non-profit clinic for professional, affordable counseling that is rooted in Christian love, mercy and grace. The bulk of our funding comes from the local United Way, area congregations, and supplemental support from Lutheran Social Services and Catholic Charities.

Our therapists are fully certified counselors who are supervised and shared with us from area Lutheran Social Services and Catholic Charities offices. Two long-term counselors have recently retired and we are now welcoming three new therapists to our clinic. If clients have insurance coverage, we accept most plans. If clients are self-pay we use a sliding fee scale based on household income to keep therapy costs reasonable. We also see clients who are on Medical Assistance. In addition to therapeutic counseling we can provide medication consultation with a Psychiatric nurse practitioner.

Your Partner in Christ,

Rev. Dr. Bryan J. Engfer,

ICS Board President

Jefferson County Shifting Gears Program



Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin, Inc. (CAC) is launching a new program called Shifting Gears "Helping People Get to Work." Jefferson County Shifting Gears provides 0% interest loans for reliable and affordable vehicles for people in need of transportation to and from their place of work. To be eligible for this program you must be employed, currently have no or unreliable transportation, and have the ability to maintain the vehicle as well as stay current on minimum payments.

Applicants will be screened and admitted on a first come-first serve basis until all spots are full. Please call the Watertown CAC office for your initial screening and to complete your Shifting Gears application.

CAC

114 E. Main St

Watertown, WI 53094

Office Hours: 8am-12pm and 1pm-4pm M-F

For More Information Contact:

Mike by phone: (920) 262-9667 or email: miket@cacscw.org

Prevention and Treatment for the H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu)

The Health Ministry Team would like to update everyone on the current recommendations and information on the H1N1 Influenza. Please keep this information in mind to help protect yourself and your families.

Thank you!

1. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze; if you don't have a tissue, sneeze or cough into your sleeve—not your hand!
2. Wash your hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizers. Individually wrapped hand sanitizers are available for your use in church in the narthex, Friendship Hall kitchen, Sunday school and nursery.
3. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way!
4. Try to avoid close contact with sick people. Flu viruses are mainly spread from person to person through coughing and/or sneezing of the person with this virus.
5. Stay home if you are sick for 7 days after your symptoms begin or until you are symptom free for 24 hours, whatever comes first.
6. Follow public health advice regarding school closures.
7. If you have flu-like symptoms including fever, body aches, runny or stuffy nose, sore throat, nausea, or vomiting or diarrhea, you should contact your MD and stay away from others.
8. If you have a severe illness or you are at high risk for flu complications, contact your MD or seek medical care.
9. Get seasonal flu vaccination and also H1N1 flu vaccination when it is available.
10. You can get detailed information on the Center for Disease Control website at <http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu/qa.htm>

Worship Helpers for August

Organists ~

Audre Kurowski ~ 1st & 3rd Sundays
Judy Rusch ~ 2nd & 4th Sundays

Assistant Ministers~

9/6 ~ Arvid Mathison
9/13 ~ Gloria Fruit
9/20 ~ Carolyn Lien
9/27 ~ Lyle Walheim

Acolytes ~

9/6 ~ Taylor Hinchley & Yana Rawinski
9/9 ~ Kaden Lewellin & Joey Jannes
9/1 ~ Adam Gunnelson & Austin Haugen
9/16 ~ Zachary Haugen & Matthew Killen
9/20 ~ Alex Loomis & Allen May
9/23 ~ Jacob Robinson & Colton Schuler
9/27 ~ Seth Wagner & Kolt Wegner
9/30 ~ Torleif Ehrke & Samantha Brende

Greeters~

9/6 ~ Lois Zerkle
9/13 ~ John & Bobbie Rawinski
9/20 ~ Trudy Spike
9/27 ~ Bonnie Ehrke

Lay Readers~

9/2 ~ Judy Rusch
9/6 ~ Lyle Walheim
9/9 ~ Barb Klemp
9/13 ~ Bonnie Ehrke
9/16 ~ Carolyn Lien
9/20~ Kurt Klemp
9/23 ~ Emily Eikland
9/27 ~ Joan Kaare
9/30 ~ Ann Nottestad

Coffee Hour ~

9/6 ~
9/13 ~ Rally Day
9/20 ~ Beverly and Carolyn Lien
9/27 ~ Peace Circle

Communion Set-up/Take Down ~

9/6 ~ Peace Circle: Marge Stach & Joanne Gyland
9/13 ~ Bea Householder & Gloria Fruit
9/20 ~ Barb Klemp & Beverly Lien
9/27 ~ Cheryl Nuenthel & Jackie Zahn

Communion Assistants~

9/6 ~ David & Teresa Schickel
9/13 ~ Carroll Ehrke & Ken Rockney
9/20 ~ Scott & Ann Nottestad
9/27 ~ Franklin & Beverly Lien

Nursery Attendants~

9/6 ~ Brenda Schroeder
9/13 ~ Cheryl & Emily Eikland
9/20 ~ Natasha Amundson
9/27 ~ Kathy Bergholz & Yana Rawinski

Offering Counters~

9/6 ~ Gloria Fruit & Nancy Walheim
9/13 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl
9/20 ~ Carroll Ehrke & Andy Christensen
9/27 ~ Joy Graffin, Verna Evenson, & Lois Zerkle


Ushers~

9/6 ~ Peace Circle
9/9 ~ Yana Rawinski & Torleif Ehrke
9/13 ~ Peace Circle
9/16~ Adam Gunnelson & Austin Haugen
9/20 ~ Peace Circle
9/23~ Zachary Haugen & Matthew Killen
9/27 ~ Peace Circle
9/30~ Alex Loomis & Allen May

★ Thank You! ★
★ for your help! ★



SEPTEMBER

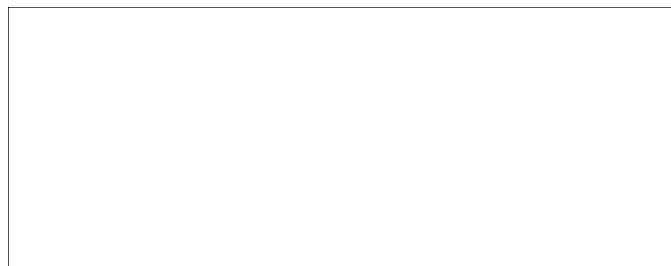
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30pm Special Congregational Meeting	2 1:30 Prayer 1:45 Staff Meeting 5:15pm Band Practice 6:00pm Worship 6pm-8pm Confirmation	3 2:00pm WELCA Meeting	4	5
6 9:00pm Worship *Blessing of the backpacks *Labor Day Blessing *Prayers for unemployment 2:00pm Jamie Chapman & Bob Gottschalk Wedding	7 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	8 5:30pm Worship committee Meeting 6:30pm Congregational Care Team	9 9am Peace Circle @ Eileen Hoehn Home 5:15pm Band Practice 6:00pm Worship 6pm-8pm Confirmation	10	11 WKLC Fish Boil 4:30, 5:30 &6:30 seating	12
13  9:00am Worship 10:15 Sunday School Rally Day!!! 10:15 Coffee Hour	14	15 5:30pm Make it Simple Meeting 6:30pm Church Council Meeting	16 8:30am Morning Prayer 8:45 Staff Meeting 5:15pm Band Practice 6:00pm Worship 6pm-8pm Confirmation	17 8:00am Men's Breakfast	18	19 4pm Kaia Sunn & Victor Wipperfurth Wedding
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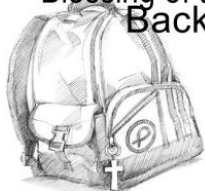
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Blessing of the
Backpacks



Labor Day Blessing

and Blessing of the Back packs will take place at the September 6th service. Remember to bring your backpacks and bags for a blessing, and join us as we pray over the unemployed and those experiencing job insecurity.

September 13th



To get started with the year, youth are invited to the Blessing of the Backpacks at the September 6th service, where children will receive a blessing for a successful school-year. The following week, September 13th, Rally Day, and will officially kick off the new year! Please plan to attend this important orientation to meet all of the Sunday School teachers, learn more about the program, and answer any questions that you may have. Also, please bring a canned-goods donation for the local food pantry. We will give the children the opportunity to build a pyramid using the donated items as well as help out the local charity.