

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Newsletter

June 2022

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HEAR IT, FEEL IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT – GOD'S LOVE

Dear siblings in Christ,

This month we get to do something very exciting as a congregation: we get to welcome five new members into the body of Christ through the waters of baptism! We will be having a great, big, wonderful celebration of baptism, remembering all the ways that God has saved us and brought us into new life. We'll remember the washing waters that make us a new creation and lead us to be the people that God has called us to be!

As we remember that, it's also (finally) summertime! So many of us will be enjoying getting into the sunshine at the cabin, or going on drives, or going camping. And in so many of those places, we'll be getting into water. We'll take our kids to the splash pad, or the pool, or the water park, or the lake. We'll have water balloon fights or run through sprinklers. We'll get into water fights, jump off docks, go kayaking or canoeing, get waist-deep in the creek fishing—we'll be in water! And every time we get into the water, we can remember our baptism.

We can remember our baptism any time we touch water this summer because in baptism, we use ordinary water. We can pull water from the tap for baptism; it doesn't have to be some special holy water shipped in from some special source; it doesn't have to be water that was drawn from the Jordan River or purified in special holy holding tanks. Nothing special about it, except that it's used to wash away our sin and bring us into new life. It could be any water at all! And because it could be any water at all, all water is a reminder of our baptisms!

So this summer, when you jump in the lake, remember you are a child of God, baptized in water and born of the Spirit. And when you splash in the splash pad or over the sprinkler, remember you are a child of God, baptized in water and born of the Spirit. And when you wash the dirt off your face from working in the yard, remember you are a child of God, baptized in water and born of the Spirit. Any time you interact with water this summer, you can remember you are a child of God, baptized in water and born of the Spirit.

Let's celebrate baptism. Let's take the time to dance in the joy of how God saves us with ordinary water, and washes away our sin to bring us into new life. Let's be joyful, because God takes everyday water and does something absolutely extraordinary with it. And let's celebrate with the five newly baptized this month, because they get to be a part of this joyful life too!

In Christ,
Pastor Lucas

God calls us to the waters of baptism, and as we enter the months ahead, keep in mind the following dates that are open for baptisms.

July 17, August 14

Call the Office if any of these dates would work for your family. 715-273-4570

Our Savior's Council Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2022

Call Meeting to Order: President Randy Winger at 7:04 PM

Attending: Debbi Pittman, Randy Winger, Jill Rosenberry, Bob Winger, Patricia Peterson, Donna Constant, Pastor Lucas, Ann Young, John Traun

Absent: Gabe Feuerhelm, Sharon Seibel, Lanette Place, Dan Place

Opening Devotions: Patricia: Devotions from Jesus Calling by Sarah Young

New Business:

May Money counters: Donna & Patricia. Jill will be gone for the June meeting, so Donna volunteered to take minutes.

June Devotions: Bob

Upcoming Events

May 14- Ballpark Clean-up

May 15- God's Work our Hands-Spring Spruce-up

May 22- Honor High School Graduates. There may be a baptism on this day as well.

May 22- Softball Season begins.

June 5- Pentecost and New Member Welcome-Evangelism Committee will reach out to any new members.

Ballpark Proposal

Guests Clair Severson and Pete Falde spoke on behalf of the ballpark.

Concerns- Make sure there is water drainage away from the building and cement pad. Make sure there is cement/sidewalk so that wheelchairs and walkers do not have to go through rock to get to the bath rooms and concession stand. This will be/has been addressed in the plans.

Motion was made by Jill to bring the Softball Field Improvement Proposal to the congregation for approval on June 5, 2022. Seconded by John. M/C

Pierce Pepin

Came on May 2nd, to see if the church was interested in getting fiber optic line for Broadband.

Donna made a motion, seconded by Pastor, to pay \$100 to reserve a space to have Broadband come to the church when the line comes to our area. M/C

Northwest Synod Assembly

Five resolutions were passed at the assembly. They will be discussed at future council meetings.

Old Business:

Debrief Holy Week & Easter Sunday Services

Good attendance during Holy Week, especially Easter Sunday. The fireworks were great.

Affirmation of Baptism Service

Thanks to the Bishop for coming in Pastor's absence. Thanks to Patricia for all the help with the Confirmands.

Pastor will check with Andi's family to see if they want to reschedule a service for her.

Secretary's Report-

Bob made a motion, seconded by Donna, to approve the April 5, 2022 council meeting minutes as presented by Jill Rosenberry. M/C

Treasurer's Report-

Designated Account \$49,368.61

General Account \$311.15

Money Market \$74,032.50

Total: \$123,712.26

John made a motion, seconded by Bob, to accept the Treasurer's report as written. M/C

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Our Savior's Council Meeting Minutes

Pastor's report- Pastor Lucas is excited about the upcoming baptisms and prospective new members to Our Savior's. The Pastor's report is on file.

Youth Report-

Tri-Synod Youth Gathering is July 25-27, 2022, at UW-River Falls. The Youth Report is on file.

Committee Reports-

Endowment Committee- Suggested to have the Wall of Recognition in the Fellowship Hall, so it is more visible. Donna made a motion, seconded by Patricia, to change the Recognition Wall from the blue chair room to the Fellowship Hall. M/C

Conflict Detection- none

Adjourn- Debbi made a motion to adjourn. Bob 2nd. MC. Adjournment at 8:45pm.

Closing Prayer-The Lord's Prayer

Next Council Meeting June 7, 2022.

Respectfully submitted by Jill Rosenberry

FUNERAL FUND

Death is never a pleasant thing. It's not something we enjoy talking about, and sometimes it's a thing we don't even want to think about. But there are times when death will visit our family at unexpected times, and that pain is made worse when life circumstances make it hard for us to honor our loved ones with the kind of funeral we want them to have.

Our congregation has been blessed to have a generous family who want to make sure no family will feel the ache of not having the financial resources to honor their loved one the way they hope. If you find yourself in these circumstances, or know a member who is, please contact the office.

In Need of Prayer!

Jackie Johnson, Marion Erlandson, Elise Foley, Jay Handsaker, Kimber Hause,
Ian Peterson, Eldon Schellfeffer, Mary Jo Bjork, and Kristen Anderson.

If you know of anyone that should be on our prayer list please contact the office.

The names will be on the prayer list for two weeks unless specified.



Men In Mission meeting
May 21, 2022

After breakfast served by Bruce Place and Clair Severson, President Lemoine Baker called the business meeting to order.

The secretary's report was read. Motion made by Tim Wiff/Donna to approve it.

The treasurer's report submitted by Tom Holdorf showed that we currently have \$4990 in the Luther Point Bible Camp fund. \$20,263 in the Fair Stand fund, and \$2890 in the General fund. The profit of \$16,300 from last year's fair will be delivered to the church for Outreach Ministries. We made \$655 at our pancake breakfast for the Pierce County Food Pantry. Clair read a thank-you note from them for the money they received. Donna has purchased 30 pecan pies for the fair at \$176. That money coming out of the fair stand fund. Motion made by Donna/Tim to approve the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

The cooler was used again this year by Barry Stockwell. We received a check from him for \$100 which will be forwarded to the church. The cooler and trailer were originally purchased from the Kitchen fund for \$1994. After receiving this \$100, the total left to be repaid is \$506. Questions were raised as to whose responsibility it is for cooler repairs. We believe the cooler belongs to the church and needed repairs should come out of the church maintenance fund. Donna will bring this up at the next council meeting.

Ball Park!

There are eight teams playing in the church softball league this summer: Crossroads, Bethel, Zion, Living Waters, St. Mary's, St. Francis, English Lutheran, and us. A whole lot of work has been done this spring in preparation for the season: tree cutting and trimming, repairs and painting on the children's play ground, scraping and painting the bleachers, laying mulch under the bleachers, spraying round-up along all fences and the foul lines, deep cleaning of the concession stand (which has been inspected and approved by the county health dept.), stump grinding, liming around the bases, measuring and resetting the pitcher's mound and home plate, and rolling the field. Only a partial list! A motion was made by Clair/Brian that Donna should present a bill to the MIM for all the maintenance supplies she has purchased for the ball park.

There was discussion about moving the fund-raising money for the ball park from the church to a MIM account. The building/bathroom proposal has been presented and approved by the church council. A congregation vote for approval will be on June 5th. As of this date, \$36,068 has been raised.

Seeing we had never officially done this, a motion was made by Peter F./Bruce Place to approve the project. Motion carried!

New Business:

The Northstar Rottweiler Club will be using our stand for two hours each of two days over the Memorial Day weekend for the sole purpose of placing a scent pad somewhere in the stand for dogs to find. This is the hobby dog version of the police search and rescue dog training. Approval was granted by the MIM at our pancake breakfast.

Clair will be starting up the hamburger donation drive for the fair in June. People need to know that every dollar donated to hamburger raises three dollars for Outreach Ministry. Motion made by Donna/Bruce for the MIM to kickstart the fund with \$500 from the general fund.

Donna is looking for 10 people to donate their time for the Cheese Curd Festival and the FFA tractor pull. These organizations will donate money to the ball park project.

The next MIM meeting will be July 16th at 8:00 am with Donna and ??? serving. MIM will serve coffee on June 19th. Coffee, bars, yogurt.

Meeting adjourned, 8 members present. Minutes respectfully submitted by secretary Clair Severson.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT & SERVE



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

The Pierce County Food Pantry continues to need certain items. To help the 30+ families per week, they need multiply numbers of popular items so we will concentrate on a few items this month.

For the month of **June** we will be collecting Sugar, Ketchup, Grape or strawberry jelly, Ramen noodles. Please put the items in the grocery cart in the back of the church. Thank you for showing your concern.



The Sunshine Crew needs YOU!!

We are forming a group to help spread sunshine, love, and kindness to our neighbors. Our goal is to reach out to folks who are lonely or tired, ill or recuperating, in need of a meal, a visit, or possibly a ride. We'll make our contact by phone and personal visits, email messages, and postal greetings.

What can you do?

Join our crew! It's not hard to spread kindness. Please help.

Let us know who could use a little pick-me-up.

You can do this by contacting the church office

Or

Lanette Place, Coordinator, No1place@yahoo.com, 715.273.0288

Ephesians 4:32 *"Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted and forgiving..."*



THE HAMBURGER FUND - PIERCE COUNTY FAIR - AUG. 11 - 14, 2022

Once again, we will be taking donations to the HAMBURGER FUND to help defray one of the biggest expenses of the fair. Every dollar raised for hamburger generates at least three dollars for Outreach Ministry. Last year we started the fund and many people gave generous donations, some huge, to help with costs. This year, the Men In Mission will kickstart the fund with a \$500 donation. As prices all seem to be escalating, please consider a generous donation to this fund.

CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO THE MEN IN MISSION. WRITE "HAMBURGER FUND" IN THE CHECK'S MEMO. **ENCLOSE IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "MEN IN MISSION" AND PLACE IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR IN THE MIM MAIL SLOT BY PATRICIA'S OFFICE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.** Or, mail to Clair Severson, N6059 530th St, Ellsworth WI 54011.

Thank you all for your generous support!

2022 Ellsworth Health & Preferred Living combined Schedule for Our Savior's

Wednesday August 10th

1:30pm Preferred Senior Living

2:30pm Ellsworth Health Services

Wednesday October 26th

1:30pm Preferred Senior Living

2:30pm Ellsworth Health Services

Wednesday December 28th

1:30pm Preferred Senior Living

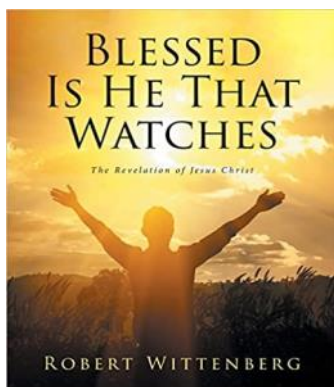
2:30pm Ellsworth Health Services

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eGiving Options

We offer convenient eGiving options that help you make donations on a one-time or recurring basis, including texting your donation to 833-506-0632 then following the instructions on your phone, or online at oursaviorschurch.info under the “give” tab. We highly recommend this method of giving for anyone who wishes to support the church. We also welcome mailing or bringing your donation to the church. Thank you for your generosity from all of us at Our Savior’s!



**Blessed Is He That Watches:
The Revelation Of Jesus
By: Robert Wittenberg**

This book has been donated to the Our Saviors Library.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Rolf Halverson for the Great Fireworks display after the Easter Vigil Service.

Thank You to Tim Wiff for refurbishing the Church Mailbox.



Thank You to everyone who donated to the Basics for Local Kids boxes.

We collected 15 coats, 2 pair snow pants, 3 pair of boots, 4 scarfs, 28 pair of mittens, and 24 hats. We also had \$11.25 cents in the money jar. These will all be used this fall to supply needy families with warm winter wear.

Thanks Again. Evangelism Committee.

You can drop items off at the new location at 126 S. Chestnut St., in the building that housed the former Pierce County Herald.



God’s Work Our Hands

“Shout happily to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord cheerfully.”

Psalms 100:1-2

It was most gratifying to see so many cheerful servers last Sunday helping with the Our Savior’s spring spruce-up. At best count 40+ volunteers were reminiscent of a busy, busy ant farm. Some of the most obvious signs of their labor are the front flower garden, rear entrance, ball park cleanup and cemetery head stones repaired and straightened. The kitchen is sparkling clean, the road free of trash and greeting cards sent.

A truly heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined in doing God’s Work with Your Hands.

OS Property Committee

**Ball Park Improvement project:
VOTE on Sunday, June 5th.**

Some questions and answers!

1. What is the cost of labor for the building? We will be working with local guys: Corey Kiefer, Andrew Kiefer, Jeremy Schutz, Ryan Bauer, etc. to construct.
2. How about excavation costs? Once again, it will be done by our guys: Justin Constant, Corey, Jeremy, Dennis Schutz etc. Guys that do this kind of work for a living.
3. Are all the project costs current pricing? All project costs have been obtained within the last 60 days and are current.
4. Who will provide the ongoing maintenance and upkeep for the buildings and grounds: The MIM have always been the custodians for the ball park.
5. How about the cost of future ball park septic tank pumping? Septic pumping is about \$200 per pump. We increased the size of the holding tank from 2000 to 3000 gallons because the truck can hold 3000 gal. when pumping so it is more efficient. The cost of the porta-potty for the summer exceeds this cost.
6. How about electrical upkeep? It has always been handled by the MIM and will continue.
7. Will there be a garbage service? No. We don't expect anymore garbage than we now have. The MIM remove it and bring it over to the dumpster at church. Rentals are responsible for removing their own garbage.
8. Who will be responsible for bathroom upkeep? The bathroom cleaning has been donated by O So Clean. The manager drives by every day. Walls will be constructed so they can be hosed off. The bathroom will be locked: only open for scheduled events.
9. Who will provide the service of scheduling of the ball park for the public? It has been, and will continue to be handled by Donna and Patricia.
10. Who will control the keys? There is a keypad in place so no keys are needed. The code can be issued and/or changed when needed.
11. Is there a need for electronic security/ building surveillance? Security has been discussed and we are assessing the need and cost.
12. Is there potentially an increase for the Public Health fee? This was discussed at the last inspection and we were told there would be no increase. We are open for 48 games and 2 tournaments, nothing will change. It was suggested that we should have the water tested but it is not required.
13. Where is the money being held for the ball park improvement project? It is currently in the church's general fund and tracked separately. After this project is completed, the council has voted to move this fund to the MIM account where it will have a separate fund like the fair stand and Luther Point Bible Camp funds.
14. What happens if the vote fails? We certainly hope it doesn't, but the donations have been designated for this purpose and will have to be returned. There is an accounting of where all donations have come from.
15. How are the funds obtained by the MIM for the maintenance of the ball park? Any money from rentals goes to the MIM. Each church in the Ellsworth Church Softball League, other than Our Savior's, pays a fee to the MIM to be in the league.
16. How much money has the church budgeted for the ball park improvement? Nothing! Only individual
17. members interested, have donated money on their own. The majority of the money raised has come from grants and non-church members, some not even from our area, who recognize the benefits of this project for our community. Also candy sales, pie sales, fund raisers, etc.

Dementia Friendly Awareness Week
Sunday, June 12, 2022 ~ Thursday, June 16, 2022
Join us for these very special dementia friendly community events



Music By Heart on Dementia Friendly
Sunday presents a free performance:
The Whitesidewalls Rock N' Roll Revue
Sunday, June 12 at 12:30 P.M.
Bandshell at Lakefront Park in Hudson

Resource Booths at 11:45

Bring friends *and* family, a picnic lunch *and* lawn chairs

In case of rain: Check our Facebook page @stcroixvalleydementiafriendlycommunities

Fortune Cookies by Bonnie Dudovitz ~ a one act play about memory loss

JOIN US! A FREE LIVE EVENT!

Thursday, June 16, 2022

Resource Booths 5pm • Dinner served 5:30pm
Play and Community Conversation 6:15-7:45pm

St. Bridget Catholic Church
211 E. Division Street, River Falls, WI

Reserve tickets at:

<https://NWWI-fortune2022.eventbrite.com>
or call (715) 273-6780

Reservations required, attendance is limited.

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by Bonnie Dudovitz

a one act play about memory loss



Mona has a great idea! This vibrant octogenarian is determined to be the first to know if her recall is slipping beyond what can be considered normal, age-related memory loss. An unexpected visit from her son David reveals that she has cooked up a way to help herself and others be on the lookout for the early stages of dementia.

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Our Savior's Youth News ~ June 2022

Vacation Bible School

C³ Church

W7562 US Highway 10,
Ellsworth, WI 54011
Phone: 715-273-3678



5K-5th Grade.

There is no fee, but space is limited. Please register by June 8th, 2022.

Come with us as we step back in time to where Jesus walked to the cross with this one-of-a-kind adventure VBS!

Register at

<https://www.c3church.us/jerusalem-marketplace-vbs-3/>

Schedule:

Kick Off Wednesday, June 29
7-8:30PM

Thursday, June 30 – Saturday, July 2
4-7PM

Blessing of the Graduates

Wherever our seniors may go,
Lord, may the warmth which
these quilts provide, remind
them of their church home and
their brothers and sisters in
Christ and that they will never
be alone for You have
promised to be with them
always in your Word and
Sacraments and in the
fellowship of the Holy
Christian Church. Amen.



Not Pictured: Colton Halverson, Shelby Lawler,
Ann Lundstrom, Ryan Matzek, and Trinity Wilkens



Register on-line (www.lutherpoint.org).

Make only the down payment on line. The Men In Mission will pay half of the registration fee (whatever registration tier you choose) for all campers, family campers, grandparent-grandchild campers and their friends. When you arrive at Luther Point, they will deduct all applicable discounts and your down payment from your half of the registration fee and you pay only what's left (which may not be very much!)

NOTE: If you have a non-member friend going to camp with you, when they register, they should list "Friend of Our Savior's" in the member church box and Beldenville, WI in the city box. If you have questions you can call Luther Point at 715-689-2347, or talk to Clair Severson.

June

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Altar Guilds: Carron Parmeter Kathy Young Money Counters: Lanette Place Donna Constant			1	2	3	4
5 New Member Sunday 9am In-person Worship 9am Livestream 10am Congregational Meeting 10am Fellowship Hour (Evangelism Committee)	6	7 7pm Council Meeting	8 7pm Softball Game O.S vs Zion	9	10	11
12 9am In-person Worship (Baptism; Johnson and Schladweiler) 9am Livestream 10am Fellowship Hour	13 7pm Softball Game O.S vs English Lutheran	14	15	16	17	18
19 Happy Father's Day 9am In-person Worship 9am Livestream 10am Fellowship Hour (MIM)	20	21 7pm Softball Game O.S vs Bethel	22	23	24	25
26 9am In-person Worship 9am Livestream 10am Fellowship Hour (Sunshine Crew) 7pm Softball Game	27	28	29 8:30am Quilting	30		

June 2022

	Greeter/Usher	Tech Assistant	Acolyte	Reader	Bell Ringer	Communion Server	Assist. Minister
June 5 9:00 am	Connie/Todd Girdeen Carron/Fred P.	Chase Unser Patricia P.	Carly Girdeen Pearl Shelley	Michael Chisholm	Girdeens	Rhoda Foley Carron Parmeter	Rhoda Foley
June 12 9:00 am	Sheryl/Bob Mercord Gayle Knight	Breken Young TBD	George Rohl Alex Knight	Andi Peterson	Bob Mercord	Donald. R. Kathy Young	Donald Rosenberry
June 19 9:00 am	Sharon/Larry Peterson Megan/Guy Stockwell	Dustin Raleigh TBD	Omar Coulson Parker Peterson	Larry Peterson	Megan Stockwell	Tom H. Roger L.	Tom Holdorf
June 26 9:00 am	Sharon/Joe Seibel Pauline/Roger Laughnan	Grayson Jensen Bruce Place	Ada Erlandson Madalyn Const.	Sue Peterson	Josh Erlandson	Lanette P. Sue Peterson	Lanette Place

Thank you for your participation in our worship service. Each ministry participant is greatly appreciated. If you cannot serve on the date assigned, please trade with someone or find a replacement. Instructions for ministry positions are posted in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call the church at 715-273-4570.

Our Savior's Summer mid-week Worship:

Will be put on hold this year. If you are away enjoying God's creation on the weekend's please know you can still join worship in spirit at any time using our YouTube page to watch the last week's livestream service!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5hF794TAipr6KdsM7BK6qA>

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