

August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30a Worship	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 10:30aWorship Communion	9	10 6pm Council Meeting	11	12	13	14
15 1030a Worship	16 5pm VBS	17 VBS	18 VBS	19 VBS	20 9:30 Naomi Circle @ church VBS	21
22 10:30aWorship Communion Church Fall Festival	23 Fisher Deadline 6p Worship Committee Meeting	24	25	26	27	28
29 10:30a Worship	30	31				



“The Fisher” August 2021

A newsletter for the members and friends of



Bone Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

24 While he was making this defense, Festus exclaimed, "You are out of your mind, Paul! Too much learning is driving you insane!" 25 But Paul said, "I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but I am speaking the sober truth." -Acts 26:24-25

Dear Saints of Bone Lake Lutheran,

Let's strive to be like Paul! If someone is going to tell you you're out of your mind, too much learning is a pretty good excuse for that if you ask me. To put this short conversation into context, you can read the rest of the story in Acts, but for now, here's the short version. Basically, what is happening here is that Paul is brought before King Agrippa to urge him to learn about and follow Jesus. The governor, Festus, is the one telling Paul he's out of his mind as Paul tells his own story about his entire with Jesus.

So, let's strive to be like Paul and be declared out of our minds because we are learning too much, in this case, about Jesus. And in order to do that, do we have some great opportunities coming up for you and your families.

August 16-20 we will be holding VBS. More information will be coming on this soon but for now, put the dates on your calendars and think of kids you can invite to come and join us in fun and learning about God and God's love for us. Our theme this year is, "Faith, the Final Frontier. Finding Faith in Your Space". We'll be using a space theme to learn all about God's creation and how we are a part of it! Its sure to be out of this world!

This fall, we'll also be starting up our program year once again. There will be lots of opportunities for adults and youth alike. Are you interested in learning more

about the Bible and diving into some stories? Join me on Tuesday evenings again this fall for evening Bible Study. We'll be starting off our time with the story of Daniel. We'll work our way through this book and dive deeper into the well-known stories it holds. If you are interesting in joining, please let me know and I'll add you to the email list. We'll meet in person at the church and over Zoom for any who can't be here physically with us on a regular basis.

Do you have a child who will be in seventh or eighth grade this year? If you would like them to be in Confirmation, please let me know. Classes will start again sometime in early October. More information will come out shortly and we'll schedule an informational meeting for later in September. But start thinking about it and let me know if you or your child have any questions.

Do you have another faith topic you'd like to learn more about? Some wonderings as to why we do what we do, or why we believe what we claim to believe? If you have others questions or wonderings that you would like to know more about or explore deeper, let me know and we'll see what we can come up with together. Learning about our faith and relationship with God and one another is what the Holy Spirit calls us to. It was a large part of Paul's life work after he met Jesus. So let's take a lesson from him in the coming future and go out of our minds a little bit with all the knowledge that we can. Let's make learning the thing that drives us insane!

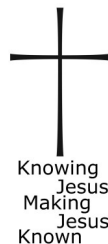
Blessings and God's Peace,
Pastor Mikayla



During my husband's illness and passing, my church family has been a comfort for my sons, their families and I. A big thank you to everyone who brought food, came to visit, called on the phone, offered their time, and had given their thoughts and prayers. And thank you to Pastor Mikayla for the beautiful service she had prepared. There are no words that can describe our gratitude. The family of Wayne Rolstad



Lack of water makes it harder for the blue heron to fish.



Blue jays like to cool off too!

SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND SERVICES



William White	08/01
Harlan Sorenson	08/02
Betty Schandorff	08/06
Bill Schilling	08/06
David Broome	08/06
Tammy Ince	08/06
Lynette Johnson	08/07
Dominic Caroon	08/08
Elaine Dueholm	08/09
Aubre Snider	08/11
Carson Johnson	08/12
Chase James	08/20
Cindy Sorenson	08/21
Carly Ince	08/21
Alexander Kaphingst	08/21
Kelsey Harvey	08/21
Ramsey Livingston	08/22
Shirley Hallquist	08/23
Jada Nick	08/23
Linda Jones	08/26
Mary Richter	08/26
Jerry Thompson	08/27
Edna Tonnar	08/28
Peggy Schilling	08/28
Kylie Buck	08/28
Curtis Ysen	08/29
Barry Schaffer	08/29
Jonn Dinnies	08/30
David Richter	08/30
Cora Bunge - Eliason	08/31
Susan Matusiak	08/31



Bob & Martha Solfest	08/12	56
Bob & Dianne Dueholm	08/12	54
Bill & Karoline White	08/23	46
Todd & Jill Route	08/08	40
Michael & Lillian Wilson	08/07	39
Wayne & Jean Boatman	08/17	34
Scott & Nancy Hunter	08/15	29
Jim & Linda Svoboda	08/16	18
Chris & Kristin Boland	08/23	

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Gwen Strege LEAD

Jim & Rita Kenyon

Rick & Pam James

Pat & Kristin Jones

David & Brenda Buck

Dale Johnson

Adrian Mattson

Chad Strege

Cora Bunge & Karen Eliason

John & Lois Olson

Pat Rupp

Naomi Circle Friday August 13th 9:30am
@ church.



FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Greetings Bone Lake Lutheran,
When I was a young Buck, I loved summer. I still love summer; I love how the sun's warmth touches your skin and gives life to our gardens and lawns. But it is not only the sun that brings life; God had a plan when he created life, he also created water. We all know how vital water is to our existence.

Our relationship with God can be compared to the sun and water's relationship with life. As a seed needs the sun and water to grow, we too need the Son and His Spirit to grow. This summer has been very dry and our gardens and lawns are withering without water. We too can wither without God's Spirit. If you are feeling the heat and feel like you'll wither and dry, please remember what Jesus said in John 7:38, *"Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."*

I pray for rain and an end to this drought.

Please keep our people, our council, and Pastor Mikayla in your prayers, as I will keep you in mine.

Blessings to you. Ben Buck

VBS

Mark your calendar! Bone Lake VBS starts August 16. Spread the word and invite your friends, everyone is welcome! Keep an eye out for more information .

CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

In June our outgoing expenses were \$7,512.51 and incoming we had \$8,679.69.

In addition to cash or check offerings on Sunday mornings you can mail checks to the office or go through the link on our website to make an electronic offering. Your contributions are very much appreciated. Thank you for your generosity

Brenda Buck - Council Treasurer



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BONE LAKE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Bone Lake Lutheran Church
“Knowing Jesus—Making Jesus Known”
Council Meeting Thursday, July 8, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Present: Pastor, Jon, Brenda, Leora, Danielle, Tonya

Meeting Called to Order: Ben Buck at 6:04

Minutes: Motion made by Brenda and seconded by Danielle to approve June, 2021 minutes. Motion carried.

Devotions in August: Ben

Devotions: Leora

Guests: Judy Caroon

August Newsletter Article: Ben, **September** Leora, **October** Jon, **November** Danielle

Pastor’s Report: Pastor Mikayla

Worship

- Communion will continue on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month

- Summer worship series continues through the end of the month

Season of Creation planned for June 27-July 25

-Continue to tweak things for indoor worship

- Finding music to use during worship. Copyright license add-on was bought to be able to stream worship and online music

(--Piano is repaired, will be picked up tentatively Monday July 12. Huge Thank You to Nate and Christina White!)

-Planning worship at the fair August 1. Was asked by Polk County fair board if our congregation could do it this year.

Pastoral Care

-sending cards, publications, etc to home bound members

-calling those on the prayer chain

-Communion visits to homebound and nursing home residents

-Funeral planning and pastoral care for Wayne and Gloria Rolstad

Education

- Tuesday Bible Study on hold for the summer, plans to return in the fall, currently working on writing a study for us to use

Youth

-Summer High School youth activities planned. Next one will be July 17 beginning at 5pm

Other

-considering some different outdoor gatherings/worship events

-Muffin Mornings planned throughout summer as fellowship at Parsonage

-after worship activities planned during Season of Creation

Gregorash/Witthoft wedding

- Attended Continuing Ed. June 16, Growing Young Summit (Next meeting for this is July 14, 6-8PM)

-Attended Synod Mission Table (RAFT) meeting June 28

-Attended Luther Point Bible Camp board meeting June 28

-Polk County Fair Board has requested Bone Lake provide worship at the fair on Sunday, August 1. More details to follow.

Worship Report/Education Report: Will plan fair services for Sunday, August, 1. Discussed seasons of creation. VBS is August 16-20.

Property Report: Thinking about building security and options.

Old Business:

-WELCA money/Fundraisers-Enough money was raised to cover the cost of the refrigerator.

-Worship helpers: Going by to lead helper to coordinate help needed each week.

-Rose Reiter fund final notice of payments: This fund has stopped. There are gas cards available for medical related travel. See Pastor Mikayla if you know of someone in need.

New Business:

Giving Statements: Giving statements have been sent and church financials are available to members. Please make requests to Laurene if you have not received your statement or if you are requesting other financial information.

Discussion on Covid protocol: Will start printing bulletins again. Hymnals will be placed in pews. Masks are not required for fully vaccinated individuals. Non-vaccinated individuals are encouraged to continue masking. Piano is repaired and singing is encouraged. Communion will be served by worship assistants. Fellowship with food allowed IF designated servers and kitchen help (food to begin in August and kicked off by Council).

Discussion member’s suggestions/concerns: Will activate member engagement group with new assignment to connect with their membership lists to discuss church updates and welcome back to in person services.

Treasurer’s Report: Motion by Leora and second by Jon to approve as submitted. Carried

Counters for August:

July 4	Tonya	Brenda
July 11	Tonya	Leora
July 18	Ben	Brenda
July 25	Danielle	Leora
August 1	Counted at fair	Counted at fair
August 8	Jon	Leora

Next Meeting: August 10, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Lord’s Prayer

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Brenda, seconded by Leora. Motion passed.

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