

NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

K		1	2	3	4	5
			5pm LEM Meeting	7pm AA	10a-12p Voter machine testing	
6 9:15 Bible Study 10:30a Worship Kennedy Buck Baptism 5p 4-H Meeting and 6p 4-H Meeting	7 6pm Reflectiion of Grace at Church 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	8 Voting All Day	9 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor Craft sale setup	10 6:00pm Council Mtg 7pm AA 7pm BL Board mtg	11 Quilters Meet	12
13 9:15 Bible Study 1030a Worship New member Sunday Craft sale setup	14 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	15 E	16 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	17 7pm AA	18 9:30am Naomi Circle at church	19 Craft and Bake Sale & Pie sale 9a-2p
20 9:15 Bible Study 10:30a Worship Final craft sale after church, then pack up.	21 Fisher Deadline 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	22	23 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	24 Thanksgiving dinner at church Noon 7pm AA	25	26
27 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship First Sunday Of Advent	28 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	29	30 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor			



“The Fisher” November 2022

A newsletter for the members and friends of



Bone Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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Picture by Joan Sorenson Sandhill Cranes are gathering to fly south





Pastor's Pen

Greetings in the name of Christ to my fellow members at Bone Lake Lutheran Church.

By way of introduction, I am your new interim pastor. I've been a pastor for 39 years. It'll be 40 in 2023. Prior to that I served in the US Air Force for nearly 8 years. I'm married to my beautiful wife, Sue, who you know quite well. I have five of my own children. Sue has three, for a total of eight.

I retired from active ministry in 2016, after serving about 10 years at Balsam Lutheran Church. Since then I have done interims, and have enjoyed it for the most part. I enjoy the connection with people, exploring worship with them, and helping them through the interim process. I know I'm going to enjoy my time with you as well. I already am enjoying it.

There are a few special provisions for this particular interim ministry. For one thing I am a member of this church, and interims are supposed to leave the church they had served when they get a new pastor. The reason for that is to avoid interfering with the ministry of the new pastor, and the affection that the congregation will develop with the new pastor. Our Synod has agreed to make a special provision where I will be able to stay in the congregation after the interim has passed and you have a new pastor. I will be diligent too avoid interfering in any way with the new pastor.

Another special provision of my interim at Bone Lake is that Sue and I will be taking an unpaid leave of absence in the month of January 2023. Sue's brother invited us to come to Texas during the month of January, and we had this arranged prior to your previous pastor resigning. So it was all set up and the council graciously agreed to this.

Some important dates to consider that are coming up in the month of November:
November 13th- new members will be received in the worship service. If you know of anyone that would like to join our congregation, please let the office know. Currently we have Barb Wallstrom joining, and Sue and I will stand with her and be received into the congregation.

November 27th- the First Sunday of Advent.

A final note, which I announced on Sunday, if you know of a meeting that is going to be held or are the lead person in such a meeting, please let the office know so it can be included on our calendar. Currently our calendar is pretty blank, and that's not a good thing because it doesn't reflect what is actually happening in the congregation. It also does not honor new people who may not be in the loop.

Let's continue to lift each other up in prayer. It is a very good thing to do during this interim.

Pastor Matt

Contact for Pastor Matt: If you need to reach him for any reason, Pastor Matt says his cellphone is the best way. 715-553-2670

Find the letters randomly placed throughout the newsletter (they're printed in red). First one to contact me with the correct word wins a prize! The words won't always be religion based... S

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Thank you, everyone, for your prayers regarding my recent eye surgery. I am healing well and am very thankful.

The surgery for my cellophane maculopathy ended up being almost 3 hours long. In surgery they found a few surprises: unstable eye tissue and two small holes in my retina that they were able to fix with a laser (yay!). They were able to remove the macular pucker from the center of the macula, but not the edges. They put a bubble in my eye to stabilize everything. The bubble is gone now and I have regained my vision out of the surgical eye. Things remain a bit "wavy" but I can see! Soon I will know when they will do surgery on the other eye because this "uncommon" condition is in both my eyes.

Again, I remain thankful and hopeful. Your prayers are so appreciated. --Pastor Mary Ann Bowman



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Reflection of Grace will be gathering at church on Monday, November 7th, 6:00 pm.

Naomi Cir le will gather at church on Friday, November 18th at 9:30am

A big Thank You to the congregation for items for the kits, our kit assemblers: Judy, Pat, Carol, Jessica, Mary, Gloria and Joan. We were able to assemble and pack, with the help of a Thrivent Action Team grant to fill in kit needs, **School Kits** 36 with an additional 23 needing cloth back packs sewn, **Personal Kits** 22, **Baby Care Kits** 13, **Fabric Kits** 4. These will be joining the 100 plus **Quilts** from the quilters to Lutheran World Relief. Transported to the St. Paul warehouse by Jensen Furniture of Luck. --



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/03 Paige Runnels
 11/04 Paulette Adair
 11/05 Craig Adair
 11/07 Reuben Buck
 11/09 Linda Glenn
 11/11 Todd Route
 11/14 Al Tyler
 11/17 Brenda Marek
 11/17 Tyler Paulsen
 11/17 Joshua Paulsen
 11/19 Ben Buck
 11/19 David Buck
 11/20 Michael Wilson
 11/22 Judy Randall
 11/22 Kamdyn Snider
 11/23 Dale Frandsen

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/8/2003 Andy & Shahla Brown
 11/17/1973 Bob & Linda Jones

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

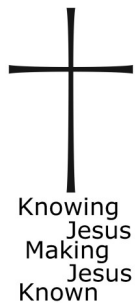
Dale Vlasnik	11/??/1945
Nancy Beduhn	11/??/19
Donald Broome	11/13/1983
kylie Buck	11/23/2003
Jerod Buck	11/04/1990
Robert Jones	11/09/1947
Amanda Kuechenmeister	11/12/1972
Eric Dueholm	11/12/1972
Maggie Brown	11/13/2005
Connor Eichelt	11/14/2004
Paulette Adair	11/15/1959
Reuben Buck	11/20/1960
Annie Strege	11/27/2005

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE H

NOVEMBER:
 Joan Sorenson
 Nancy Bradwell

NOVEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Bill & Lynn Johnson—Lead
Tim & Nancy Bradwell
Karen Fjorden
Lori Hostrup
Gwynne & Duane Wisse
Doug & Lori Johnson
Nick & Savannah Schommer
Judy Randall
Bobbi Fjorden



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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we busy ourselves with preparation for the upcoming craft sale, hunting seasons and holidays, please take some time to reflect on all the ways that God has blessed you through the ministries of Bone Lake Lutheran. This is a good time for each of us to think about when we have felt most loved and included at BLLC and how we can help others feel love and inclusion. Each one of us can be the reason someone else feels at home at BLLC.

BLLC is in a time of transition. Transition can be scary and exciting at the same time. We'll be spending the next several months in prayerful contemplation. Some of us will be asked to help evaluate the needs, wants and gifts of BLLC so a committee can use that information to help guide us in the process of calling a new pastor. I ask all of us to pray for BLLC and our future pastor, as well as Pastor Matt as he leads us through this transition.

Prayerfully submitted,
 Brenda Ysen Buck
 Council Treasurer

On Thursday, November 24,
 2022 Please join us at
 noon for a Thanksgiving
 Dinner with all the trim-
 mings served in the fel-
 lowship hall . Dinner will
 be followed with pie and a
 large amount of fellowship with your
 neighbors and friends. Free will offering,
 plus please bring non-perishable food items
 for the food shelf.

FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL
CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

September Financial Update

September Beginning Balance:	7,254.72
<i>Income/Donations:</i>	<i>7149.76</i>
<i>Expenses:</i>	<i>4419.67</i>
September Ending Balance	9984.81

It's been requested that we also include the beginning and ending checkbook balances in our monthly updates.

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BONE LAKE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

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Bone Lake Lutheran Church “Knowing Jesus—Making Jesus Known” Council Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Present: Brenda Buck, Nancy Beduhn, Shahla Brown, Danielle Buck, Pastor Matt Saarem, Leora Dueholm

Meeting Called to Order: 6:36pm

Devotion: Autopsy of a Deceased Church, chapter 3 (The Past is the Hero)

Highs & Lows: All shared

Newsletter Article: December - Danielle; January - Ben

September Meeting Minutes - Vote to accept minutes-Nancy; seconded -Danielle

Pastor's Report: Pastor Matt

Worship

Met with worship committee meeting re: Thanksgiving and Advent

Also discussed Worship Assistants

Pastoral Care

Requested membership lists and went through them

Worship Committee:

Pastor will lead a responsive reading and prayer prior to Thanksgiving meal

Advent - Invite families to light Advent candle wreaths and look into providing materials for families to use at home

Christmas Evening service @ 6:30pm

Property Report: Nancy Beduhn

Church Mutual has sent us the report on hail damage.

After researching the cost of changing insurance companies, I have discovered that other companies cannot even come close to the cost we are currently paying.

The church clean-up day went very well. All windows and screens were cleaned inside and out. The air conditioner was removed for the winter. The siding was power washed. The carpet was

vacuumed. The refrigerators and ovens were cleaned and ALL 3 pizzas were consumed.

I contacted Jon Erickson about the parsonage. He will do a walk-through and start working on winterizing. He believes he has a device he can hook up to the telephone to maintain the heat over the winter.

Do we still pay for phone service at the parsonage?

Old Business:

Trunk or Treat - Will be held in our parking lot Saturday, 10/29 1-3. Will make postcards to seek interest in camp attendance.

Pastor Matt Saarem's Interim agreement accepted.

Fall Festival? - Fall clean-up instead 10/2/22.

Masks for communion assistants - Shahla motioned to get rid of mask requirement for communion assistants; Danielle seconded the motion

Begin Sharing of the Peace - Shahla motioned to reinstate Sharing of the Peace during worship; Danielle seconded the motion

Add counters to bulletin - Brenda will ask Laurene to post in bulletin

Establish a Communications/Media Committee? - Yes, create a committee.

Deer Hunters' Widows Craft Sale: Nov. 19th

Thanksgiving Dinner is on for Nov. 24th. - Serving in person?

Discussion:

Communications committee will meet soon - no date set yet.

Continue to discuss appropriateness of sharing of the peace according to the presence of illness in the area. Keep offering procedure as is.

Dead Buck tree - Ben will speak with Mike Marek about taking it down

Laurene still having trouble with Lakeland email account - Chad has created a gmail for

Laurene that he will have blc@lakeland.ws transfer to a gmail address.

New Business:

Encourage all groups to set up a regular meeting time and to communicate these meetings with the office so they might be published on our calendar.

Figure out how to communicate calendar items to Laurene

Fungus in yews is spreading to crabapple trees - Have someone remove them?

Transition Information & Committee development begun

Christmas cards - Decided to send Christmas cards this year

Christmas Eve - 6:30pm service. Christmas falls on a Sunday this year so there will also be a Christmas morning service.

Treasurer's Report: Brenda Buck

Accepted as written by Shahla Brown; Seconded by Nancy Beduhn

Counters for November

Oct. 29, 2022 Ben and Nancy

Oct 30, 2022 Danielle and Leora

Nov 6, 2022 Brenda and Shahla

Nov 13, 2022 Leora and Ben

Next Meeting: Nov. 10, 2022 6:00pm (Second Thursday of month)

Adjournment: Motion made by Brenda, Seconded by Danielle

Closing Prayer: the Lord's Prayer led by Pastor Matt

Respectfully submitted by Shahla Brown

Oct. 23, 2022