#### APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	1 SAT
2 9am Pancake Breakfast 10:30a Worship PALM SUNDAY	3  9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor 10am Clean Kitchen	4 VOTE!!	9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pas- tor	6 7PM AA 7pm Maundy Thursday	7 7pm Good Friday	8
9 9:15 Bible Study 1030a Worship EASTER	10 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	11	9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pas- tor	13 5:30 Council Meeting 7pm AA 7pm Bone	14 Quilters	15
16 9:15 Bible Study 10:30a Worship	17 Fisher Deadline 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor 5:30pm Pastor Banquet Start Spring Fling setup	18 Spring fling setup	19 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pas- tor Spring fling setup	7pm AA Spring fling setup	9:30 Nao- mi Circle Spring fling setup	Spring fling setup
23 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship	24 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor 5:30 ALPHA Spring fling set- up	25 Spring fling setup	26 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pas- tor Spring fling setup	7pm AA Spring fling setup	28 Quilters Spring fling setup	29 Synod Assembly SPRING FLING 9-2
30 9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Worship						



# **Address Service Requested**

## Picture by Joan Sorenson





**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

This morning I looked out my window, and saw that once again we had some snow and ice fall during the night. I am getting tired of the snow and cold, and most of the people I talk to agree. We yearn to have things warm up and to see green again. We yearn to see leaves or at least buds, which are signs of new life.

When you read this, we will be in the month of April, and Holy Week and Easter will occur. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday remind us that our sin does not go un-noticed by God, and God sent his Son to die on the cross for our sins. And on Easter we celebrate Jesus' resurrection. And as a result we have the hope of eternal life, as Paul writes concerning baptism, "if we have been united with him in a death like his we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his."

So we are tired of snowy and cold weather, and we yearn for signs of new life. The seasons recapitulate the message of death and resurrection. There was a time when possessing a printed copy of the Bible was almost impossible for the general public to have in their possession. The only printed copies were printed by hand. But the church used the seasons to remind the people of the Gospel story of Jesus, his death, his resurrection, and that we have the hope of eternal life.

Speaking of new life and the good news of Jesus, please note your invitation to an Alpha banquet. I hope to see you there! And I hope to see you during the mid-week services of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday as we prepare for the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord.

In His Love, Pastor Matt





#### CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

February Financial Update

Beginning Balance: 20,755.25

Income/Donations: 11,050.00 Expenses: 9613.19

**Ending Balance** 21,813.36

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



There is Sunday School from 11:20-11:50. All children are welcome!!

#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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Melanie Moore	04/01
Caleb Nick	04/02
Debbie Lunsmann	04/05
Sharon Moore	04/06
Dana Paulsen	04/11
Terri Knowlan	04/11
Tonya Eichelt	04/12
Kennedy Buck	04/14
Sandy Bartlett	04/14
Velma Broome	04/15
Tammy Brenizer	04/16
Brandon Hostrup	04/18
Linda Svoboda	04/16
Miranda Strusz	04/18
Mike Marek	04/19
Jamison Strege	04/19
Lori Pfaff	04/22
Lane Kuechenmeister	04/22
Logan Grey	04/23
Kevin Bradwell	04/24
Jillian Peterson	04/25
Pat Neumann	04/28
Lucas Kuechenmeister	04/29
Sherri Livingston	04/29

#### **BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**

Dill Highling	II II II / DILO
John Caroon	04/??/1957
Connor Svoboda	04/03/2005
Ella Grey	04/05/2015
Macie Grey	04/05/2015
Jeremy Buck	04/12/1987
Adam Nick	04/16/2006
Darla Nick	04/16/2006
Dawson VanMeter	04/16/2006
Tanner Van Meter	04/16/2006
Lillian Wilson	04/18/2010
Tiffany Brown	04/20/2008
Ann Boland	04/24/2011
Collin Svoboda	04/26/1992
Kalley Lunsmann	04/27/1997

#### **APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

Dale & Rita Frandsen
Jeff & Lori Pfaff
Matt & Sue Saarem
Shane & Denise Nelson
4/5/1975
4/25/1992
4/27/1996
4/28/2007

#### MAY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Sandra Fisher Mary Kosin Chris & Kristin Boland Earl Nick Tim & Kim VanMeter Karoline & Bill White Bill Bosack

#### **Altar Guild-April**

Gloria Rolstad Velma Broome

#### Altar Guild—May

Barb Walstrom Gloria Rolstad



Do you look forward to Joan' photos every month, as much as I do? We are truly blessed to have our own church photographer!



Naomi Circle meets Friday 4/21 at church, Joan Sorenson hosting.



To a banquet right here at Bone Lake Lutheran Church on Monday, April 17th at 5:30 p.m. Pastor Matt and Sue will be cooking a nice sit-down dinner, telling a few corny jokes, and leading a little bit of music before showing a video that explains what an ALPHA course is all about. And we'll answer any questions you have about it, too. Our plan is to do ALPHA on Monday nights for the next ten weeks. This banquet will be very similar to what happens each Monday.

Enjoy a fun evening with friends and neighbors (you can invite them, too) while deciding if this ALPHA thing is something you could try. Because it's nice to know how much food to cook, there is a sign-up sheet on a table in the narthex. The cost is only your time for the banquet. On future Monday nights, we will ask for a freewill offering to cover the cost of the food.

Hoping to see you and some friends on the 17th.

Pastor Matt and Sue



#### BONE LAKE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

# Bone Lake Lutheran Church "Knowing Jesus—Making Jesus Known" Council Meeting Thursday, March 9, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Present: Ben Buck, Pastor Matt, Nancy Beduhn, Shahla Brown, Leora Dueholm

Meeting Called to Order: @ 5:43pm by Ben Buck

**Devotions**: provided by Nancy Beduhn from Autopsy of a Deceased Church

**Highs/Lows**: checked in with everyone

**Newsletter Article** 

April-Shahla; May - Denise; June - Ben; July-Leora

Meeting Minutes: Motion to accept - Denise accept; second - Leora

**Pastor's Report:** presented by Pastor Matt

Discussed Lenten schedule and transition team progress.

Synod Assembly is 4/29 in Rice Lake. Schilling funeral and home visits

### **Worship/Education Report:**

Ed: Sunday school has been kicked off. First date was Sunday, March 5. We will continue to provide SS every Sunday with children being dismissed after the readings. Brenda, Shahla, & Danielle.

Worship: Palm Sunday breakfast instead of Easter breakfast led by youth (Shahla)

Property Report: Nancy presented

Jon is going to work on cleaning out the garage of the parsonage.

Also still gathering estimates on the electric door.

#### **Old Business:**

- The budget present and future
- Pastor Matt revised and recalculated the budget and financial report. He created a more streamlined version. Discussed the difference between a budget and financial reports. A budget should represent the vision of the church.
- Conflict policy
- A draft of a conflict policy was presented by Pastor Matt for the council's consideration. We will revisit this next month.

• Transition team timeline

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• The transition team needs to begin working on the Ministry Site Profile ASAP. Shahla will reach out to the transition team to set up meeting times.

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• Installation of Council

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• The installation of the council will occur this Sunday, the 12th during worship. We will also recognize Brenda's time on council at that time.

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• Property - Nancy will look into getting the front door lock fixed.

#### **New Business:**

Transition Team Update: Making good progress, have asked the congregation 1 question and will follow up with another this Sunday.

Conflict Policy discussion: Tabled for next month

Discussion on other topics:

Fellowship - Council will begin setting up monthly potluck/fellowship events and encouraging others to consider planning as well.

Easter lilies: Leora - Look into finding a florist to be able to order lilies for Easter.

Mission support: Will ask Laurene to begin printing dedications in the bulletin.

Lenten offering - Lutheran World Relief

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept - Shahla; second - Denise

#### **Counters for February:**

March 12, 2023 Denise and Nancy

March 19, 2023 Ben & Nancy

March 26, 2023 Shahla \* Denise

April 2, 2023 Danielle & Leora

April 9, 2023 Denise & Ben

April 16, 2023 Leora & Danielle

Next meeting: April 13th @ 5:30

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn - Shahla; second - Leora

Closing Prayer: Led in prayer by Pastor Matt