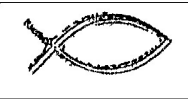


SEPTEMBER 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
					1 Quilters	2
3 9:15 Bible Study 1030a Worship	4 HOLIDAY Office closed	5	6 10a-12p Pastor	7 7pm AA Office Open	8	9
10 9:15 Bible Study 10:30a Worship	11 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	12	13 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	14 7pm Bone Lake Town 7pm AA 5:30 Coun- cil Meeting	15 Quilters	16
17 9:15 Bible Study 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Potluck after wor- ship	18 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor 6pm WELCA Mtg Fisher Deadline	19	20 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	21 7pm AA	22	23 10am Pack Lutheran World Relief bags
24 9:15 Bible Study 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship	25 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor 10am Naomi Circle	26	27 9a-3p Office 10a-12p Pastor	28 7PM AA	29	30



“The Fisher” September 2023

A newsletter for the members and friends of



Bone Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)
1101 255th Ave Luck WI 54853

Address Service Requested

Beautiful flower is home to this adorable tree frog. Thank you Jessica!





Pastor's Pen *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

Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray" (Proverbs 22:6).

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Teach them to your children and talk about them when you are at home, and when you are away, and winning you lie down, and when you rise ..." (Deuteronomy 6:5-7).

"God, our God! God the one and only! Love God, you are God with your whole heart: love him with all that's in you, love him with all you've got! Get these commandments inside of you, and get them inside your children. Talk about them wherever you are, sitting at home, or walking the street; talk about them from the time you get up in the morning to when you fall into bed at night." (Deuteronomy 6: 5-7 the Message.)

These are words to fall back on this September, as parents send their children back to school, and in some cases off to college. For some this season represents the beginning of the empty nest in their lives. It is a time of transition. For those who are sending their children off to college, the verses above are something to fall back on. One of the parents remarked that they hope that the values they've instilled in their children will see them through whatever they face in their new environment. For parents it is a time of letting go, and of trusting their children to the hands of God, and to their upbringing.

For those whose children are still at home, the above verses are an admonition to fill their children with the message of God's grace in Christ and to instill in them a good set of values that will see them through the future. Such training happens through a lifetime, and would be hard to instill the last moments before they go off on their own.

A special thank you to those who helped with the corn the last week of August. It was great to see the awesome turn out of workers. We had so much fun, and got a lot of work done besides. And a special thank you also to the one(s) who kept the beautiful flowers going at the entryway to the church. They are much appreciated.

Sue and I are planning on leaving on or around November 1st for Texas for 5 months. So we also leave you at Bone Lake Lutheran Church in the hands of God, trusting that you are enfolded and upheld by the grace of God. We love you and I'll keep praying for you, and perhaps by the time we leave you will have a new pastor. We will have to see. We will have to continue to trust God in our search for leadership.

I wish you, brothers and sisters, a very blessed month of September.
Pastor Matt

CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

July Financial Update

Beginning Balance:	13,533.02
<i>Income/Donations:</i>	9,896.10
<i>Expenses:</i>	11,298.40
Ending Balance	12,130.72

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

They're off to college!!

The list below is of our students who went off to their first year of college. Feel free to send them notes "from home," and make their transition a little easier.

Mike Boland
Northland College
CMB 1288
1411 Ellis Ave
Ashland, WI 54806

Ann Boland
215 Summit Ave
St. Paul, MN 55105

Harrison Zipperer
310 9th St S
LaCrosse, WI 54601

Maggie Brown
Concordia College
CPO 3723
901 8th St S
Moorhead, MN 56562

Connor Svoboda - will update later
Mason Brown - will update later

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Audrey Mattson	09/01/2013
Joan Sorenson	09/05/1948
Bruin Mattson	09/06/2015
William White	09/06/2009
Daryl Bazey	09/11/1960
Curtis Ysen	09/12/1937
Barry Schaffer	09/15/1957
Mason Brown	09/19/2004
Candace Buck	09/22/1991
Tanner Buck	09/03/2000
Karen Fjorden	09/15/1963
Zachary Kuechenmeister	09/17/1995
Peggy Schilling	09/18/1966
Gwynne Wisse	09/18/1955
Holly Hall	09/18/1966
Linda Ysen	09/19/1962
Jeremiah Johnson	09/21/1997
Dale Johnson	09/23/1973
Melodi Fjorden	09/23/1960
James Svoboda	09/24/1967
Nicole Grey	09/26/1986
Christopher Kuechenmeister	09/28/1997

**Naomi Circle Monday, September 25
@ 10am**

OCTOBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Sharon Moore
Kendra Moore
Mary Brown
Dana Paulsen
Betty Schandorff
Kelsey Carey
LeRoy & Phyllis Brenizer
Jessica Summerfield

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sherri Schaffer	09/02
Jeanie Schilling	09/02
Karen Fjorden	09/03
Connor Svoboda	09/04
Christina White	09/04
Raymond Dueholm	09/06
Barott Strege	09/06
Sarah Dueholm	09/07
Tim Bradwell	09/16
Michael Montpetit	09/16
Adam Nick	09/16
Jordyn Siebenthal	09/16
Eric Dueholm	09/17
Nancy Hunter	09/17
Dale Johnson	09/18
Dawson Van Meter	09/19
Jim Kenyon	09/20
Candace Buck	09/20
Peter Dueholm	09/21
Riley Runnels	09/23
Sue Saarem	09/27
Nancy Beduhn	09/28
Debra Boerboon	09/29
Craig Knowlan	09/29
Cheryl Schilling	09/30

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Steve & Edna Tonnar	9/3/1966
Jim & Donna Davidson	9/5/1999
Jon & Kim Erickson	9/20/1975
Ben & Danielle Buck	9/30/2017

Alter Guild September

Altar Guild October

Becky Frandsen
Nancy Bradwell

Hello brothers and sisters in Christ!!!

Please remember as you read this these are my opinions and it is ok to not agree with me, we are all entitled to them.

What an awesome time for us here at Bone Lake, 125 years we have been here worshiping together!! I am just so thrilled to be a part of this celebration time for us. We have been through a so much together through those years, good times and bad, weddings, births, funerals, and the building of a new church building. Even through our hard times I feel like we have held together and come out the other side stronger than ever.

As I reflect on our time through the years I have noticed changes, in the size of our congregation, the age of the congregation and I know there have been people in our congregation who have been hurt by another or do not see eye to eye with another. I feel that we come to worship our Savior together not to judge one another, we will leave that up to the Lord on Judgment day.. We need to see each other as brothers and sisters in Christ and treat each other how we would want to be treated. Is that not one of the many things Jesus tried to teach us? We all have our own strengths and we all need to celebrate them. I feel like at the rate we are going we will not be here to celebrate our 150th together. We as a congregation need to support one another whether we agree with each other, this doesn't mean we have to bite our tongue and not say anything but maybe it is more how we say things we need to think about (me especially) and, no this is not easy, but if we want our church to survive we have to grow and change together. Don't get me wrong I have not always been a huge part of the congregation, but I do not want to lose my "home" church. This church has been my home since the day I was born. So much of my life has happened in, and with the amazing people in this congregation and I would not be who I am today without it! I just feel that we have the opportunity to be amazing and survive for another 125 years.

Let's pray that we are here for another 125 years and that we have an amazing 125th anniversary celebration cause we deserve it!

Denise Nelson

BONE LAKE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Bone Lake Lutheran Church
“Knowing Jesus—Making Jesus Known”
Council Meeting Thursday, August 17, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Present: Shahla Brown, Pr. Matt Saarem, Denise Nelson, Leora Dueholm, Ben Buck, Danielle Buck

Meeting Called to Order: @ 6:33pm

Devotions: Devotion on kindness led by Denise from Unexpected Blessings by Roma Downey

Highs/Lows: all shared

Newsletter Article: Sept-Denise; Oct-Danielle; Nov-Ben

Meeting Minutes: Motion to accept meeting minutes Danielle; second Denise

Property Report:

WELCA agreed to help with the cost of the electronic door.
Remind congregation to fill out property use form prior to holding an event.
Continued weeding needs.

Pastor’s Report:

1. Visits: Some, but I didn’t record it.
2. Pastoral Acts: None during this period
3. The Alpha Course was completed on August 7th. Thank you to all who participated. It can be a tremendous tool for evangelism in the congregation if so desired.
4. On August 1st, Polk County had a major meeting from all disciplines on substance abuse among our youth. There were school officials, county mental health officials, Salvation Army, law enforcement, county board members, pastors, and others. I and Bryan Anderson were the only pastors in attendance.
5. Sue and I will attend the open house retirement party for Greg Kaufmann at Luther Park on August 26th.
6. Sue and I plan on leaving for Texas on November 1st. Our final service, if we don’t have a pastor by then, will be October 29th. We will be gone through most of the winter, leaving Texas at the end of March 2024.

BONE LAKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

125TH ANNIVERSARY




LET'S CELEBRATE!

Please come to celebrate with us! It doesn't matter what your connection to BLLC - we'd love to meet you or see you again! Share your memories with us and make some new ones too!

SAT, OCT. 21

VBS for all ages!

- Camp songs
- Games
- Campfire
- 2pm -8pm



SUN, OCT. 22


Special worship service at 10:30 followed by:

- Lunch (11:45)
- Program
- Bingo



PIE CONTEST

Make your favorite pie to enter into our pie contest!




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 blc@lakeland.ws

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 715-472-2535



“It takes a village” is certainly the correct term for processing a truckload of corn. There were many volunteers who worked the majority of the day, either husking the corn, cutting and prepping it for the cookers, or cooking, cooling and packing the corn and of course, cleanup.

What an awesome crew!!

Old Business:

- Call Process Update/Discussion-Developed questions for call
- Gift for ordination gift update total \$861.00
- 125th anniversary-Nancy suggests having another church cook and serve us; Fall Festival type celebration

New Business:

- Call Update - the process continues
- Anniversary Update - October 22nd; previous pastors have been invited; rededicate mission statement; games/activities; program, another meeting will be held Sunday, agree to look into catering options; still looking for more help to plan the event

Treasurer’s Report: Motion to accept the treasurer’s report Denise; second Danielle

Counters for August/Sept:

Aug. 20 - Denise & Shahla

Aug. 27 - Leora & Danielle

Sept. 3 - Denise & Nancy

Sept. 10 - Shahla & Ben

Next meeting: Thursday, Sept. 14th

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn Danielle; Second Leora

Closing Prayer: Lord’s Prayer

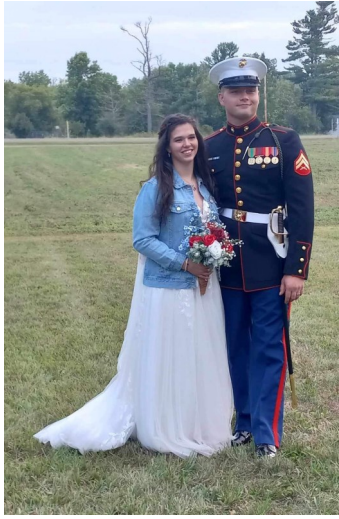
Respectfully submitted by

Shahla Brown

August 18, 2023

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning Sunday September 17th, Sunday School will be before church from 9:30-10:15



Dominic and
Hailey Caroon
Married August 26, 2023

CORN, CORN, CORN!!!!



Thank you Dane and
Samantha Olson!

2023 POLK COUNTY FAIR

