

Nazareth Lutheran Church

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**We welcome all to join us every
Sunday!**

Worship service @ 10:15 am

**Marcia Kisner, Pastor
Eileen Lewis, Administrative Assistant**

June 2017

FROM THE PASTOR

10 Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. 11 The LORD will guide you continually, giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength. You will be like a well-watered garden, like an ever-flowing spring. Isaiah 58:10-11

When you are hungry you gather food to eat. When your soul needs fed what do you do? Every day I feed my soul by reading scripture, praying, and listening to other's faith stories. Yet there comes times when you are still hungry... you need a treat.

Last month I attended a Preaching Conference in San Antonio, Texas. I came home refreshed and well fed. The schedule was amazing and filled with worship, lectures, music, and wonderful conversation.

We were eating lunch and at the same table were Pastors from Australia, Texas, Minnesota and a husband of a Bishop from the African Episcopal Methodist Church in Texas. The conversation centered on Jesus. It was a joyous lunch.

I was standing in line to have a book signed and was with a young Methodist Pastor from Dallas. She has a small congregation (200 people) and she has two services on Sunday, in English and Spanish. We spent ½ sharing our stories and our love of Jesus. I shared I've been here at Nazareth for almost 20 years and she's been a pastor for less than four. We both found common ground in our wanting to feed our souls and the souls of God's children.

I spent seven days with my best friend and colleague Jennifer, a pastor from Spencer, Iowa. We cried, laughed, prayed, sang, danced, listened, shared with others, shopped, drove, and walked. We got lost many times during the trip but neither of us cared much because we had this opportunity to get fed with the love of God, the words of Jesus, and the blowing of the Holy Spirit.

I'm working on getting healthier in my life and Jen is very healthy and a wonderful cook. She brought food for us and we had many conversations about healthier eating. I learned so much about food and how to eat better for my body as well as my soul.

I suggest for all of you to find time to feed your soul with something a little extra. Perhaps a retreat with a friend or maybe your pastor, I'm always game to a conversation and or trip. It doesn't have to be long but maybe just a couple hour treat to share our love of Jesus and how to become healthier.

Thank you so much for financially supporting my trip to this conference. It was glorious. Blessings.

Pastor Marcía

Cast your cares on the LORD and He will sustain you;
He will never let the righteous be shaken.
Psalm 55:22

In Our Prayers This Week:

Nancy Weatherman, Arnie Pearson, Matt Carver, Alan Duhn, Liam Griggs, Camden Kelsey, Patti Barnett, Chad Grandon, Don Rhode, Ken Larkin, Eva Mae Sampson, Doc Bartleson, Diane Pickar, Mary Ann Apland, Dorothy Denton, Max Dobson, Janet & Roger Thorsen, and all the military especially Taylor Bartleson, Jackson Ringgenberg, Nathan Hovland, and Neal Hovland.

We lift up our congregation as we faithfully work through our financial difficulties and prayerfully consider our future as a church.

June Birthdays

5 Garrett Carlson	6 Sara Olson
7 Nancy Weatherman	10 Emily Larkin Luke
15 Eileen Lewis	22 Holly Larkin
26 Mava Lewis	



If you wish to have your name added to the birthday list, or if it is incorrect, please calls Eileen at the office
515-383-4328

Weekly Income for April and May

April	Offering	Attendance
2	\$ 2,217.00	26
9	\$ 1,188.00	49
13 Maundy Thursday	\$298.00 to MICA	21
14 Good Friday	\$11.34 to MICA	20
16 Easter	\$ 2,069.00	53
23	\$ 985.00	15
30	\$ 1,025.00	30
Total	\$ 7,484.00	
May	Offering	Attendance
7	\$ 1,410.00	27
14	\$ 1,137.37	28
21	\$ 427.10	23
28	\$ 750.00	28
Total	\$3,724.47	

Your church needs \$4,897.92 monthly to meet budget and does so through your generous giving.

Sunday School Announcements

Children and Adult Sunday School as well as Confirmation and Adult Bible Study have ended for the summer. Sunday School will start again on September 10 and Confirmation and Bible Study will start on September 13th. Hope you or your children or grandchildren will join us then.



Vacation Bible School

This year Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be at Nazareth Lutheran church. Our program this year is called "Discover Your Strength in God". The program will be the week of July 17th to the 21st. The closing program will be at 6:30 on Friday July 21st.

VBS starts each evening with supper at 5:30 PM. The program starts at 6:30 PM and last until 8:00 PM. Children ages 4 to 104 are welcome to attend. We need volunteers to teach.

We will be requesting food donations and volunteers to help feed the little ones before the program begins. More information will be coming once the menu has been set up.

Upcoming Events:

- Jubilee Days/Silent Auction: Please let us know if you have items to donate, or would like to volunteer!
- VBS: July 17-21st!!
- Picnic at Hickory Grove: July 23rd

Nazareth Lutheran Church Council Meeting

There was no Church Council meeting in May, 2017.

Nazareth Lutheran Church Congregational Meeting May 14, 2017

A congregational meeting was held today to discuss a bid received from Hedrick Construction to repair the bell tower. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Lewis at 11:04, and twenty-one (21) members, plus Pastor Marcia, were present.

Wendy Duberkke thought the bid was reasonable, with the exception of the painting which seemed very high. Discussion given that we are free to accept any parts of the bid we wish, but to go with another company just for the painting would necessitate rental of a lift, which is already included in this bid. Discussion also raised about possibility of getting another bid for comparison, but Eileen Lewis explained Hedrick was the only company of the eight who were called that would even consider working on a bell tower. Eileen also explained that once the tower is torn into, the bid might be increased depending on the condition of the wood underneath.

To prevent rain and water damage in the future, and possible rotting underneath, the railing is going to be replaced with a wall to prevent rain from coming in, but with a space at the bottom to allow for drainage. It was pointed out by Randy Dubberke that most companies pad their bids about 20%, so it is possible that it might even end up being less. The bid is good for 30 days, which is May 15. In the end, John Egeland moved to accept the bid, seconded by Wendy Ringenberg.

Discussion was then turned to how it might be paid for. Funds are available in the Memorial and Investment Funds, but those funds would be depleted, which wouldn't be ideal in case the building floods again, and the parsonage needs a new roof. A Go-Fund-Me page was suggested, checking with employers who might match funding, or a special collection done in church. Donations may also be made directly into the church bank account, and Scouts might come up with a special service project.

The bid of \$14, 871.50 passed unanimously, and construction should begin end of June or early July. The Meeting was adjourned at 11:26 by President Mark Lewis.

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Allen, Council Secretary.

When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace.

JIMI HENDRIX



“Mending the Bell Tower”

We are asking you to be a part of this summer’s major construction project, “Mending the Bell Tower” at Nazareth. For the past several years rain water from the bell tower has been leaking into the sanctuary and most of the wood in the tower is rotten. We need to fix it and we found a local company, Hedrick Construction, to help us with this important construction project. They also will be scraping and painting the bell tower.

We don’t wish to deplete all the money in the Capital Improvement and Memorial Fund so we will be doing several fundraisers.

Also, if you wish to donate to “Mending The Bell Tower” project we would greatly appreciate it. We are more than willing to put up a memorial plaque if you wish. Thank you for considering this project.

We are so very excited about “Mending the Bell Tower” project. If you would also like to help with any of the fundraisers let us know. We will keep you all updated and the construction begins in the middle of June.

Upcoming Worship Volunteers

June	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
4	Steve Lewis and Mike Lewis	Steve L	Mark L
11	Ray Ringgenberg Family	Vince T	
18	Vince Tomlinson Family	Wendy R	
25	John Egeland and Dave Lewis	Eileen L	
July	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
2	Nathan Hoveland and Kevin Lewis	Ellen O	Steve L

9	Doug Larkin Family	John E	
16	Mark Lewis and Mava Lewis	Joyce A	
23	Steve Lewis and Mike Lewis	Kevin L	
30	Ray Ringgenberg Family	Maria T	
August	Greeters/Ushers	Lector	Alter Guild
6	Vince Tomlinson Family	Mike L	Wendy R
13	John Egeland and Dave Lewis	Nathan H	
20	Nathan Hoveland and Kevin Lewis	Ray R	
27	Doug Larkin Family	Robin S	

Activities for the Month of June

Sunday

June 4 10:15 AM Worship Service

Tuesday

June 6 6:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday

June 10 Fireman Days
10:00 AM Silent Auction

Sunday

June 11 Church on the Lawn
10:15 AM Worship Service
Picnic after worship

Tuesday

June 13 6:00 PM Food Pantry

Sunday

June 18 10:15 AM Worship Service

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June 20 6:00 PM Food Pantry

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June 25 10:15 AM Worship Service

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June 27 6:00 PM Food Pantry

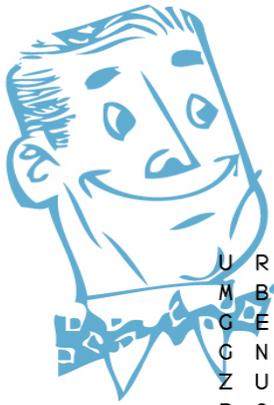
Bell Tower

After the congregational meeting was held on May 14th, the bid was approved and Hedrick Construction will proceed with the repairs to the bell tower. Shaun Hedrick estimated that the work should start on about June 12th. So keep an eye out for the repairs as they progress.

One of the fund raising ideas that we are planning is a dinner with Barbeque provided by Ray Ringgenberg. There is also an opportunity for Sweet Life Comedy Outreach to perform. Would you be interested in Dinner and a Show?

If you would like to make a monetary donation to the bell tower, please add a memo to your check and deposit into the collection box on Sunday or send via your normal way to contribute.

We are sure looking forward to the work being completed.



FATHER'S DAY

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 TOGETHER



Happy Father's Day