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NEWSLETTER

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Milnor Lutheran and Immanuel Lutheran Churches Rick Bryant

Rick's Column

Greetings and peace to you all,

My, where does the time go? As I write this newsletter, fall is approaching fast and school has resumed in our little community. The summer certainly did go by fast! This past summer was challenging for sure. Much of the US has experienced the worst drought seen in decades. The lack of rain has created many challenges across our nation. Here in our community, the drought without a doubt has added stress and worry to our farmers and ranchers. Please pray for these folks who feed the world. As of late, however, we have received some timely and much needed rain, which has "greened" things up and brought life back to the area. Thanks be to God.

I am excited to announce that Sunday school will resume at MLC on September 12th. It will be so nice to welcome the children back and to hear their laughter and see the energy that they bring to the church. God Bless all of the students and the Sunday school staff! We will be starting Confirmation classes the first Wednesday in October. I am excited to once again begin learning and growing with these kids as we explore the world of our Lutheran faith and our Allmighty God. I will be contacting all students and their parents very soon.

As I have mentioned in church, I am interested in starting a fall Bible study that will be at MLC. I haven't yet planned all the details, but I will keep you all posted. It will be so nice to gather on cold nights through the winter for coffee, fellowship, and Bible study.

Starting the first Sunday in September, ILC will change their start time from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. On September 12th there will be no service at ILC, but they

will be hosting their Pancake Breakfast from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to come for good food and fellowship.

The bathroom renovation project at the parsonage is coming together, and I expect it will be completed soon. It looks beautiful and will be such a blessing for us to have another bathroom facility. After the project is completed, we hope to decorate the basement into an inviting, relaxing area for us and guests to enjoy. Thanks again to everyone for your support and dedication to this project. The Bryant family is blessed beyond words to work and serve with such a caring congregation.

I am looking forward to this coming fall and all of the added activities that will be happening in our churches. Our churches continue to be healthy and vibrant, and God continues to bless us in so many ways. Let us praise His glorious name and continue to grow together in our service to Him. I know He certainly looks down upon us with love and grace as we glorify Him in the way we live our lives.

Let us also to continue to pray for those among us facing health issues. Prayer is perhaps the most important way of helping those we care for and love. There is no greater gift in the world than prayers from a loved one.

In closing, I want to remind you all to please reach out to me for anything at any time. Working together in the company of God, there is nothing that we can't accomplish and nothing we can't overcome.

God Bless you all,

Rick

PARISH PRAYER LIST

People on our prayer lists are Carol Hogness, Kit Mund, Curt Mahler, Bobbi Haugen, Jim Robbins, Linda Robbins, Patty Cross, Carl & Gisela Wold, Shayla Wagner, Bob Arnold, Steve Schutt, Scott Warner, and Donnie Marquette. Please keep them in your prayers.



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- 27 Sandy Hogness Kevin Moxness Andrew Yagow
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Milnor Lutheran Sunday School

Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

-Sunday School begins September 12th!

-Teachers and staff will be installed at the worship service on Sunday, September 26th. Pre-K/K and 3rd Graders will also be receiving Bibles that day.

If you have questions about Sunday School, please contact Greta Buskohl (427-5646) or Mary Yagow (427-5023).

Sunday School Lunches

September 12th--Allison & Holden Y, Greyson A, Layton, Vaiah & Hailyn B, Willow T October 3rd--Eli R, Emilee & Ava B, Miley L, Jacob H, Hunter & Briley L



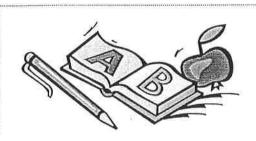
September Altar Guild Jeanette Buskohl and Connie Robbins

<u>Yarn Angels</u> will meet September 21st and 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

<u>Yarn Angels</u> will meet September 14th and 28th at 1:30 p.m.

<u>MLC WELCA</u> will meet Monday, September 13th, at 10:00 a.m.

<u>Altar Guild</u> will meet Wednesday, September 22nd, at 7:00 p.m.



School Kits

Thank you to everyone who donated supplies for our school kits and to Joy Christiansen for making the beautiful bags. They have been assembled and will soon be delivered to Lutheran World Relief.

MLC MEMORIALS

In memory of Wayne Ellefson
From Marjorie Johnson (Altar Guild)
Janet & Jeff Roeder (ML Cemetery)

In memory of Everett Johnson
From Marjorie Johnson (Parsonage Project)

In memory of Edward Slaubaugh
From Helen & Terry Timm (Day of Doing)

PARSONAGE UPDATE

Work continues on the parsonage bathroom. Christopher Ferderer has installed the flooring and drywall and is working on the closet and ceiling tiles. After he completes his part, Crossroads and Swede's Plumbing will finish their projects. Our congregational painter (Patty Ellefson, of course!) has painted the new room with some attractive colors. Thank you Patty!

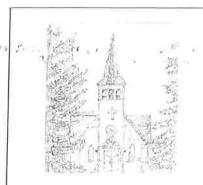
If you would like to contribute in a more personal way, you can sponsor a bathroom accessory in memory or in honor of someone special. See our Facebook page or the display board in the narthex for a list of options. Thank you to Marjorie Johnson for sponsoring a vanity light in memory of Everett and to everyone who has already contributed to the bathroom project!

FURNITURE MISSION GROWTH

Furniture Mission of the Red River Valley is located at 2600 3rd Avenue North in Fargo. It is a non-profit, faith-based service organization that provides gently-used, donated furniture to individuals and families.

It began serving people in need with furnishings for their homes or apartments in the spring of 2020. Since that time, they have given away 3,744 pieces of furniture, averaging over 13 pieces to single men, women, and families with children. They have provided 375 children with warm beds to sleep in and a table from which to eat.

In the months of July and August, 2021, they served 74 families, giving away 995 pieces of furniture. Thank you to Milnor Lutheran members who have made financial donations and for donating furniture to this organization.



Immanuel Lutheran Church August

Usher: Kevin Moxness
Altar Guild: Heidi Moxness
Communion: September 5th
Worship: Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COUNCIL MINUTES

August 18, 2021

The Immanuel Lutheran Council met August 18th, 2021 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Present were Brenda Gibbon, Derek Martinson, Joel Halvorson, and Landon Mund.

Joel called the meeting to order. The Secretary's report was read. Motion to accept the report was made by Derek, seconded by Brenda; motion carried. Derek gave the Treasurer's Report. There is a balance on hand of \$19,366.54. Brenda made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Landon, motion carried.

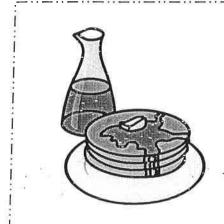
Derek will touch base with Crossroads to get a timeline for new lights in the church. Also, Landon will reach out to Arlin to see what further discussions have been had on the church's shed.

Old business included planning food for the Pancake Brunch. Joel will get the main groceries and Derek will be bringing around 20 dozen eggs for the event. New business included the decision to start 11:00am church service on September 5th, the Sunday before Labor Day. Motion to accept was made by Derek, seconded by Brenda, motion carried.

The Pancake Brunch will take place from 10:30am-1:00pm on September 12th. A donation of \$10 from each man participating is kindly requested. Derek will withdraw funds for the cash box and talk to Thrivent about a donation of \$250. A final decision is yet to be made on the amount to be charged. Joel will decide after checking the 2019 price and current food costs. Derek made a motion to accept, seconded by Brenda, motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be tabled until October 1st and a date will be finalized at that time.

Landon Mund Council Secretary



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SUNDAY BRUNCH

Sunday, September 12, 2021 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee & Juice Adults - \$10.00; Children 6-12 - \$5.00 5 years and under - Free