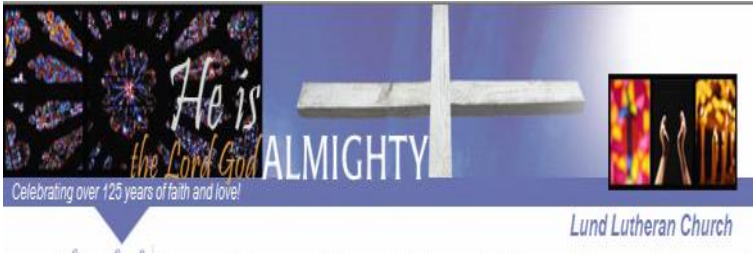


Lund Newsletter



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Pastor's Perspective...

Being Anchored In Good and Bad Times

The past year of dealing with the Coronavirus and going through shut downs in our communities and also in the church, stay at home orders due to the Pandemic which affected millions and killed over 600,000 Americans, and now the raging Delta variant which is affecting the unvaccinated harder and also the younger folks, even some young children, are the kinds of events that can send people and belief systems crashing into the rocks of life if they are not anchored to an immovable object. Anytime a pandemic and violence attacks innocence there will be those who ask questions that have no answers, and if they have no anchors in life, they go adrift. Anytime something bad happens that we believe ought not happen, we ask God "why" or "how," and if our faith isn't deeply anchored in the presence of God, people can drift off thinking God doesn't care or that God isn't present. I am convinced that the way people handle both good and bad events happening in their lives is directly related to that to which they are anchored.

For some it is family values. For others it is tradition. For some it is simply their genetic character to be positive or negative. But for Christians, **our anchor is our belief in a loving God and the gift of a Savior.** And our anchor tells us that no matter what we confront, God is present with us in the midst of our storm as well as in the midst of the calm. It is not the event that determines God's presence; it is the faith of the person who calls upon God to be present in our everyday world as well as a world spinning out of control. That has never been more evident than this past year. We here at Lund had to trust God that we will be ok and when our trust in him was there, we are where we are today because of that faith and trust. But now we must trust again. Numbers are again on the rise.

St. Paul writing to the church at Rome says, *"Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

In these verses God's love is reaffirmed even in the face of all present adversities. Paul is speaking about being anchored to an immoveable and unchangeable God who is present with His people always. God does not and is not bringing bad things to happen and hardship; rather God is always present to help us deal with our hardships and survive them. Paul is anchored to God through Christ. And so are the Christians in the Church and Christians everywhere.

Friends, you and I have been privileged to see what being anchored can look like. We are living through horrible events that are causing us to check and double-check how anchored and secure we are to the rock of our faith, Jesus Christ. Please remember that we are children of an all-powerful and compassionate God. He is present with us during this moment in our history. He will remain with us and our community, just as He will remain with the families of those who are suffering the effects of the Delta variant being hospitalized and some on ventilators (young and old alike), those who have lost loved ones to the variant, families of the military personnel in Kabul who were killed in a suicide bombing by ISIS-K in Afghanistan during the evacuation process, and the people of Afghanistan, throughout this time of being wounded and then healed.

Here is the best news you and I could ever receive: **God promises to always be there and to be our anchor through Christ our Lord forever. Remember there is nothing that will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

We are and always will be anchored through Christ ... trust God to be present and he'll see you through any adversity.

Anchored In Christ,

Pastor Steve



PSALM 119:114, ESV

Lund Church Council Minutes

August 18th, 2021

Members Present: Lynda, Carol & Russ Okeson, Carol & Russ Olson, Karen, Bill, Donna, Myra, Cindy, Pastor Steve

Additions to the Agenda:

Devotions: We recited The 23rd Psalm

Reorganize Board Members:

President: Lynda nominates Russ Okeson, Donna 2nd. Motion carried

Vice President: Donna nominated Russ Olson, Lynda 2nd.

Motion carried

Financial Secretary: Carol Okeson nominated Myra, Lynda 2nd.

Motion carried

Treasurer: Carol Olson nominated Karen, Myra 2nd. Motion carried

Board of Education: Carol Olson appointed

Bill motioned to remain in our appointed positions. Myra 2nd.

Motion carried.

Secretaries report: Correction; Pastor to get prices to paint sign instead of going ahead and proceeding with project. Amended--Myra motioned to accept, Lynda 2nd. Motion carried.

Financial Secretaries report: Approved as read--see report in newsletter.

Women's Financial report: Approved as read--see report in newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Certificate of Deposit maturing in August. Discussion. Bill Motioned to use CD funds for tree trimming /landscaping. Myra 2nd. Motion carried.

Received Insurance notice --Raise of \$600. Approved as read--See report in newsletter.

Pastors report: Report on visitations. Nice to have Grander's on-line to hear. Pray for our world and each other. Thank you for time away. Thank you for all who serve on council.

Presidents report: Review annual meeting. Council positions for next year--3 yrs, 4 yrs, 3 yrs. Fiscal calendar year--tabled till next meeting. Employee discussions-- No concerns
Endowment resolutions--Sent home with council to review outlines.
Grander's were outstanding--Touch base on a Christmas program some Sunday.

COVID issue--Touched base with other churches about masking. Suggested change sign to "If not vaccinated to be required to wear a mask" Russ Olson made a motion to change wording of sign. Donna 2nd--Discussion. Motion carried.

Trustee Report: Water in basement from hose and rain. Discussion: Take flower bed out and put in rock. Karen motioned to remove flower garden to address water issue. Myra 2nd. Motion passed. Russ Okeson will get a couple bids on re-doing.

Tree trimming-- Cutting dead trees, cut off low-limbs in cemetery and around church. Discussion--Russ checked on company's and cost--Carr tree trimming quoted \$4500 \$5500 Can do work with-in the month. Myra motioned to get trees cut/Trimmed. Carol Okeson 2nd. Motion passed.

Deacons report: Readers filled

Mission: Salvation Army letter received

Old Business: Cemetery Lot price

Non-members: \$350 per lot up from \$100.00. This includes 1 casket & Urn **(or)** 2 Urns on one lot.

Members: \$25.00 price adjust up from \$5.00 per lot. Bill motioned, Myra 2nd motion passed.

Taste of Lund: Slated for Sept. 25th, 2021. Discussion. Donna motioned to cancel, Myra 2nd Motion passed.

New Business: 6 months or 18 months until next annual meeting. Table till next council meeting.

Suggestion box: Read suggestions.

1. We do give out scholarships.
2. Pave the parking lot. Will keep in mind
3. Lighted sign. Need more discussion on this

Suggestion to put a reminder in newsletter that we do have a suggestion box in the entry way of the church.

Cost of postage: Deacons will work with Pam to up-date mailing list and mailbox in entry way. And a Reminder that your newsletters are put into your mailbox each month to be picked up. Please check your mailboxes in the entry way to lower cost of sending them out.

Next meeting date: September 15th, 6 pm

Devotions: Myra

Russ adjourned the meeting

Pastor led us in prayer and we recited "The Lord's Prayer"

Respectfully submitted By: Cindy Sauer, Secretary



**Sunday Worship 9:30 am
Inside the Sanctuary**

**Fully vaccinated people masks are optional, we require
that you wear a mask if you are not
vaccinated.**

**Endowment meeting
July 29, 2021**

Meeting was held by phone . Participating members were Lynda, Chad, Linda K, Cindy and Judy.

Camperships: Discussed making an exception for 2021 to the percentage we pay towards the camperships since we have the funds and have so few kids attending camp. Motion to pay full cost of camp at \$180 each for two kids.

Judy/ Linda K/carried.

Fire Departments: At the last Council meeting the Council voted to ask the Endowment Fund to give \$100 each to the Detroit Lakes and Callaway Fire Departments. Motion made/seconded/carried.

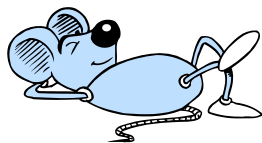
Disbursements: Endowment has disbursed over \$10,000 in last twelve months. Over \$6,200 has gone to missions.

Secretary, Judy Gildersleeve



**Pork Roast Supper
Saturday, September 11th
4-7 pm
Richwood Lutheran Church**

Hello there, Mousey here.



Covid is striking again! It just doesn't want to go away. Oh well, God will continue to take care of us, no matter what. What a gift that we can take everything to Him in prayer to help us make decisions, to see us through tough times, to thank Him for the blessings and just walk with us. I heard it said that Jesus walks with us here on earth and we will walk with Him in heaven. Pretty profound, right?

The Taste of Lund has been cancelled and the Meatball Dinner is on hold till we see what is going to happen. Several other churches have cancelled their fall suppers already. The biggest concern, will people come for events. There are still people not going to church because of Covid, so I guess God will have to guide us with that too.

Labor day is upon us soon and we finally got a little rain. You could see the grass turning green while it was raining, Take care, and God's Blessings to all. Mousey



September Scripture Writing Plan

Each of the scriptures below takes ten minutes or less to copy out. Commit to spending ten minutes each day listening to God's voice as you simply copy these texts out of your Bible.

Day 1- Psalm 121: 1-4
Day 2- Psalm 121: 5-8
Day 3- Psalm 62: 1-4
Day 4- Psalm 62: 5-8
Day 5- Psalm 62: 9-12
Day 6- Amos 4:13
Day 7- Psalm 93: 1-5

Day 8- Matthew 22: 34-40
Day 9- Matthew 11: 25-27
Day 10- Matthew 11: 28-30
Day 11- Isaiah 53: 1-4
Day 12- Isaiah 53: 5-8
Day 13- Isaiah 53: 9-12
Day 14- Psalm 32:4-6

Day 15- 2 Timothy 1: 6-8
Day 16- 2 Timothy 1: 9-11
Day 17- 2 Timothy 1: 12-14
Day 18- Colossians 3: 1-4
Day 19- Colossians 3: 5-10
Day 20- Colossians 3: 12-14
Day 21- Colossians 3: 15-17

Day 22- Colossians 3: 18- 21
Day 23- Colossians 3: 22- 25
Day 24- Matthew 7: 1-3
Day 25- Matthew 7: 4-6
Day 26- Matthew 7: 7-12
Day 27- Matthew 7: 13- 20
Day 28- Matthew 7: 21-23

Day 29- Matthew 7: 24-29
Day 30- 1 Thessalonians 5: 19-24

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.
Psalm 119:18





Quilting Thursday's

12:30—4pm

Come and join us, coffee is served!



On Sunday, August 8th 19 quilts and 17 sensory blankets were blessed by the congregation and given to Hospice of the Red River Valley

Dearest Lund Lutheran quilters,
You are all simply amazing! The quilts are beautiful and the fidget blankets are wonderful.

Thank you very much for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. We appreciate you!

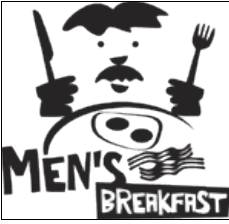
Kristi Volunteer Coordinator Hospice of the Red River Valley



Beloved Quilters,

Our family received the beautiful quilt that you made with love and sent to us via Hospice of the Red River valley. We appreciate your gift as we mourn the loss/death of our brother, James "Andy" Nordstrom.

Peace and love to you, Erma Vizenor, and Betty Nordstrom, sisters



Men's Breakfast
Wednesdays at 8:00 am
At the Holiday Inn



Women's Bible Study

*Tuesday, September 14, 2021
2:00 pm*

Hostess: Myra Eastman

All women are welcome to attend!



**Serving coffee Sunday mornings
in August**

September 5 Myra Eastman

September 12 Don & Joy Schuler

September 19 Jerry & Jan Steen

September 26 Roger & Karen Lundberg



There is a suggestion box in the entry for suggestions on how we could wisely spend the money donated to us or for suggestions pertaining to worship.

Any and all suggestions will be considered and discussed by your council at the monthly meetings.



As we have recently experienced some water issues in the basement, at our last meeting, the council discussed and to take out the flower garden by the back entry. Once the flowers are taken out, we will build it up with some dirt and put rock on top of that. If you would like any of the flowers in that garden, you are welcome to take what you want! Please check it out right away!

WE CARE RECEIPTS

Thank you for bringing your receipts from Central Market that have been stamped with the "WE CARE" logo to Lund. Please be aware that if the receipt has faded and cannot be read or if the date printed on the bottom of each slip is a year old, they will be discarded as Central Market will not accept them.



Please call the office (847-9662) or Pam at (847-6567) if you have someone you would like on the prayer list or to remove someone from the prayer list. The names will remain on the prayer list for one month, then taken off.

If you want them to remain on the list please let the office know. Thank you

Happy Birthday

- September 3 Orrin Okeson
- 9 Max Okeson
- Ivan Okeson
- 14 Milton Erickson
- 16 Charles Okeson
- Eric Nickolauson
- 22 Rachael Towers
- 23 Elias Okeson
- 26 Kiley Lajoie



Happy Anniversary

- September 5 Jim & Eileen Griffnow
- 9 John & Judy Gildersleeve
- 24 Arnie & Linda Kiehl
- Jeff & Peggy Melin
- 25 Tom & Karen Alexander
- 29 Dan & Rachael Towers



If you do not find your birthday or anniversary listed, please call Pam at 847-9662 so she can get your name on the list.

Thank you!



Thank you so very much for the card you sent to us, from all our friends at Lund.
We appreciate all of you.
Sincerely Carol & Bill Strache



Lund Church is now a charitable organization with MinnKota Recycling located on Hwy 59 North. Bring your aluminum, recyclable paper, and magazines, tell them it is for Lund Lutheran and we will get reimbursed.
Thank you!