

New Life News

New Life Lutheran Church & Little Bethany Lutheran Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 am - 2:30 pm
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April Scheduled Events

April 2nd

5:00 - 8:00 pm Meatball Supper

April 3rd

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany with Holy Communion

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

9:00 am Sunday School at New Life

10:00 am Worship at New Life with Holy Communion

April 4th

4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

April 5th

8:30 am ACT Practice Test

April 6th

5:30 pm Lenten Supper lasagna & salad

6:45 pm Lenten Worship

April 7th

4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

April 8th

Tour of Tables set up

April 9th

10:30 am Tour of Tables

2:00 - 3:30 pm Youth Grades 6-8 Our Saviors/Hamar
Cemetery clean-up.

4:00 - 5:00 pm Youth Grades 9-12 Friborg Cemetery
clean-up.

April 10th - Palm Sunday

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

9:00 am Sunday School at New Life

10:00 am Worship at New Life - Sunday school sings

April 13th

6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting

April 14th - Maundy Thursday

10:30 am American Legion Auxiliary Meeting

6:45 pm Worship at Little Bethany

April 15th - Good Friday

7:00 pm Community Worship service at the
Baptist Church

April 17th - Easter Sunday

8:30 - 9:40 am Easter Breakfast at New Life

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

10:00 am Worship at New Life with Holy
Communion

April 20th

6:30 pm Confirmation Pictures and Rehearsal

April 23rd

10:00 am WLECA kits and quilts Potluck lunch

April 24th - Confirmation Sunday

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

9:00 am Sunday School at New Life

10:00 am Worship at New Life - Confirmation

April 30th

Prom Dinner

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SERVICE GROUP LEADERS

April

Wayne & Doris Moen

Brian & Tracy Buchholz

May

Alan & Mary Brandt

Faith Waldoch



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our loving God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

I love April. I love April because, to me, it represents hope in a very concrete way. The lyrics to one of my favorite Easter hymns, *Now the Green Blade Rises*, gives image to the origins of this hope better than any words I could hope to string together. . . .

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

It is something about those first shoots of whatever plant it may be emerging from the soil--after a long, typically colorless, and often hard winter--that crisp, wonderful spring green color that makes my heart swell with joy and turns my lips to a beaming smile. I smile and swell with joy because that green is a concrete reminder of my Savior's victory over sin, death, and the power of the devil. In that Savior, hope springs eternal, not just for me, but for every man, woman, and child, every creature of our God and King.

In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,
Thinking that he would never wake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Phillips Brooks, in his poetry, puts it this way
Tomb, thou shalt not hold Him longer; Death is strong, but Life is stronger;
Stronger than the dark, the light; Stronger than the wrong, the right;
Faith and Hope triumphant say, Christ will rise on Easter Day.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Raised from the dead, my living lord is seen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

How tragic it is when supposed Christians don't recognize this God and Savior for who he is and what he is about. Again, other's words are so much more expressive than mine—

Some of us stay at the cross, some of us wait at the tomb,
Quickened and raised with Christ yet lingering still in the gloom.
Some of us 'bide at the Passover feast with Pentecost all unknown,
The triumphs of grace in the heavenly place that our Lord has made His own.
If the Christ who died had stopped at the cross, His work had been incomplete.
If the Christ who was buried had stayed in the tomb, He had only known defeat,
But the way of the cross never stops at the cross and the way of the tomb leads on
To victorious grace in the heavenly place where the risen Lord has gone.

[Annie Johnson Flint]

After a long winter season, and/or the long winter of our discontent, let us welcome the embrace of the hope that is truly our only hope. And, on being embraced by this hope, how can we not share it with all we encounter? For to welcome and share this divine embrace is a huge part of the abundance and redeeming joy that is Easter.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Your touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
Love has come again like wheat arising green.

May your hearts, minds, bodies, and souls be filled and spilling over with hope and grace and peace this Lent and Easter season as well as every day after!

Take care and God bless!

Pastor Randy

New Life Lutheran Church Unapproved minutes from March 9th, 2022

The New Life Lutheran Church Council met March 9, 2022 at 7:55 pm. Members present were Pastor Randy Whitehead, Jessi Colby, Joyce Peterson, Jessica Nelson, Diane Kunze, Patrice Ziegler, Steph Olson, Renae Frolic, Avis Wiese, Bruce Brenden, Marlowe Rasmusson, Doris Moen.

The Meeting opened with Devotions by Doris.

1.0 Approval of agenda: Jessica made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Diane. Motion Carried.

2.0 Approval of February 2022 Council minutes: Bruce made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Steph. Motion carried.

3.0 Treasurer's report February 2022: Joyce made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Second by Bruce. Motion carried.

4.0 Ongoing business:

4.1 Technology update: New head set Purchased.

4.2 COVID situation update: No changes.

4.3 Lenten Season – donations received: Decision on donation of Lenten offering will be decided at April meeting.

4.4 Foundation Account signers: No report.

4.5 Wedding Booklet: Tabled till April meeting.

4.6 Meatball Supper: Discussion on donations and what is needed. Advertising will be in local papers, area churches and businesses.

5.0 New business:

5.1 Correspondence: Heritage Account closed, \$1123.90 was put in Foundation Fund.

5.2 Upcoming events:

March 13th Council and committee installation

March 16th Lenten supper by Youth & Worship

March 20th Youth making baptismal blankets

March 23th Lenten Supper by Evangelism committee & Worship

March 24th ACT Practice Testing

March 30th Lenten Supper & Worship – Supper by Council

April 2nd Meatball Supper

April 5th ACT Testing

April 6th Lenten Supper by Youth & Worship

April 8th & 9th Tour of Tables

April 10th Palm Sunday

April 13th Council meeting

April 14th Maundy Thursday

April 15th Good Friday – Community worship service

April 17th Easter Sunday—Easter Breakfast

5.3 Facility Use: Please reach out to Pastor Randy or Council members if you have any questions.

6.0 Pastor's report: See report. Church attendance is up. 31 responses for Time and Talent have received.

7.0 Youth Director's report: They are serving supper at Lenten Services on March 16th. They are making blankets Sunday March 20th.

8.0 Office Manager's report: No concerns.

9.0 WELCA: They elected 4 new officers. Discussion on purchasing new kitchen floor mats.

10.0 NLLC Foundation report: No report.

11.0 Committee reports:

Worship & Music (Diane): Flowers are being ordered for Easter. Sign up if you wish to purchase one. Cost is \$17.00. There will be special music at Easter service.

Education (Steph): Sunday school is singing on Sunday.

Youth (Jessica): See 7.0

Evangelism & Mission/Family Life & Social Concerns (Joyce): Devotional Lamb Packets are in Narthex. They will be making Cancer bags for the Cancer Center.

Church Property (Marlowe): Air filters were replaced.

Stewardship (Kevin): No report.

12.0 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Moen, Secretary



April 22, 2022

Join the fight, do what's right.

Reduce, reuse, & recycle.

Thank you from the family of Phyllis Balken for your support, kindness, and participation in memory of Phyllis.

Also, Thank you to the men and women of the service group for serving the meal.

ROTHSAY LIONS WANT YOUR BAGS

The Rothsay Lions Club is taking part in the Trex Recycling Film Challenge along with other nearby clubs. Club members will collect bags and plastic film for the next 6 months. You can drop your bags off with a Lion Member or drop them off in the box in the New Life Lutheran church entry area. We will bring collections to the weigh in on the 3rd Saturday of each month for the next 6 months. The bags and film need to be clean and free of paper labels. Your donations will help us win a bench made out of recycled bags and film!

Acceptable recycling items include:

- Bubble wrap
- Grocery bags, all colors
- Case Over Wrap
- Bread Bags
- Dry Cleaning bags
- Newspaper sleeves
- Produce bags
- Paper towel/toilet paper over wrap
- Ziplock/food storage bags
- Icebags - Dry without metal clips
- Wood Pellet bags
- Stretch Film
- Pallet Wrap
- Furniture Foam Wrap

Lion members include: Missy Amundson, Darrel Tollefson, John & Diane Kunze, Becca Paine, and Kevin & Justin Matheson.

More information can be found at: www.trex.com/recycling/recycling-programs/

Lenten schedule

April 6th - Lasagna & salad supper served by New Life Youth at 5:30 - 6:30 pm.
Worship at 6:45 pm.

Holy Week

April 14th - Maundy Thursday
Worship at 6:45 pm at Little Bethany

April 15th - Good Friday
Community Worship at 7:00 pm at the Baptist Church

April 17th - Easter Sunday
Easter Breakfast served by the Youth at 8:30 am - 9:40 am
Worship at Little Bethany at 8:45 am
Worship at New Life at 10:00 am



NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

February 2022

February Income	\$ 16,850.88
February Disbursements	(\$ 19,414.67)
February Less in/out Income	(\$ 575.00)
February Net Loss	(\$ 3,138.79)

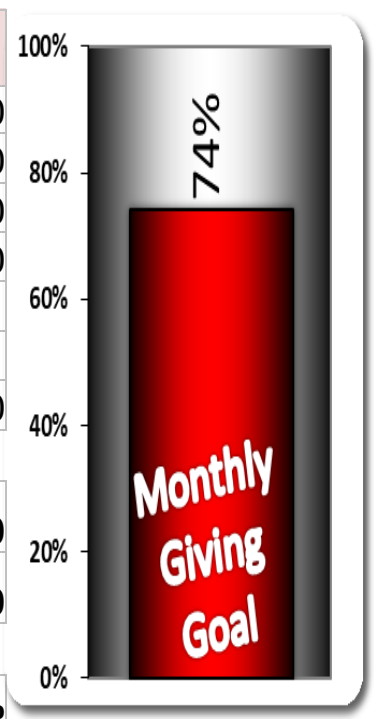


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March 2021 Giving Outlook

Week	Giving
6-Mar	\$2,495.00
13-Mar	\$1,453.00
20-Mar	\$2,336.00
27-Mar	\$3,555.00
e-giving	\$1,055.00

Goal:	\$14,667.00
Total:	\$10,894.00



74%

Grow old along with me , the best is yet to be.

The following is a list of our members who are either in a nursing home or are homebound. We understand that during this time you may not be able to stop by, but a phone call may go a long ways! You can always call ahead and see if a visit would be welcomed.

Berdella Sogn ~ 394 Woodland Dr. #211,
Fergus Falls. (Phone 998-7241)

Debbie Faulkner ~ 1131 Mabelle Ave. Room B-209
Fergus Falls (Pioneer Care)

Irene Melkert ~ 1131 Mabelle Ave. Room B-213
Fergus Falls (Pioneer Care) 218-998-4991

Lonny Western ~ 117 E Hilltop Dr. Fergus Falls
(218-739-5613)

Eleanor Opsahl ~ 215 E. Mill Ave. #101
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

Elaine Amundson - 215 E. Mill Ave #200
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

Dorothy Jorgenson ~ 215 E. Mill Ave. #209
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 (218-863-3012)

Gwen Jorgenson ~ 211 E. Mill Ave #313
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 (218-863-9623)

Lloyd Ouse ~ 215 E. Mill Ave # 105
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 (218-303-6056)

Delores Lerbakken ~ Rosewood on Broadway,
1351 N. Broadway, Fargo, (701-277-7999)

Donna Nord ~ 2401 11th St. S #109
Moorhead, MN 56560

If you know of someone who should be on this list, please call Patrice at the church office at:
(218) 867-6557.

WELCA is in need of the following to finish baby & personal care kits:

Baby Care Kits

Clothes size 6 months - 2 years

- ◆ T-Shirts
- ◆ Sweaters, jackets, sweat shirts
- ◆ Sleepers
- ◆ Receiving blankets

Health Kits

- ◆ Bar soap (any kind)
- ◆ Bath towels, about 27"x52" prefer dk colors (used or new)

School Kits

- ◆ Sewed bags
- ◆ Kids blunt scissors
- ◆ Pens - Black or blue (5 per kit)

We can also use new or used bed sheets for filler or back of quilts. Any size, color, or shape. Also any money donations to be used for kits and quilt supplies.

Thank you very much - God bless you,

- Mission Committee

WELCA will meet on
Saturday, April 23rd at 10:00 am
to work on kits and tie quilts for the
local community.

Potluck lunch, please bring a dish
to share.

All Women of New Life are
welcome!

FOURTH ANNUAL

Swedish Meatballs made by Norwegians Supper

**Saturday, April 2, 2022
from 5-8 pm**

New Life Lutheran Church in Rothsay, MN
Freewill donation for supper

Swedish meatballs and real mashed potatoes served with gravy, lefse, corn, dinner rolls, and fruit dessert

MEATBALLS TO GO!

No time to eat in? Stop by to pick up meals in a divided to-go container.

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Bake Sale Also, make sure to check out the delicious, home-baked goodies to bring home to enjoy later!

New Life Lutheran Church Quilt Raffle

81"x106" Pastel & Ivory Quilt made by local women.

\$1.00 per ticket. Drawing will be held at 7:00 pm on Saturday, April 2nd, 2022, during the Meatball Supper at New Life Lutheran Church.

Need not be present to win.

Proceeds go to the New Life Lutheran Church WELCA

2022 Confirmation

Confirmation pictures and rehearsal will be held on April 20th. Please come dressed in the same attire you will be wearing on Confirmation Sunday.

Confirmation Sunday will be on April 24th during the 10:00 worship service.

Parents and students, if you haven't already, please get the information sheets to Patrice in the office.



Concert Announcement!

Mercy Me is coming to Fargo on Friday, April 22nd at 7:00 pm. Tickets range from \$15.00 - \$25.00 plus fees. If you or anyone in your family would like to attend, let Jessica or Patrice know by March 31st.

Easter Breakfast

April 17th 8:30 - 9:40 am

Please see the sign up sheet on Jessica's door to see how you can help!



Youth Cemetery Clean-up

April 9th

2:00 - 3:30 pm Grades 6-8 will clean up Hamar and Our saviors cemeteries.

4:00 - 5:00 pm Grades 9-12 will clean up Friborg cemetery.

This is a good opportunity for confirmation students to earn service hours. You could also bring your mentor and use it as a mentor meeting!

April 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 5:00-8:00 pm Meatball Supper
3 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship at NL	4 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan	5 8:30 pm ACT testing	6 5:30 pm Lenten Sup- per 6:45 pm Lenten Wor- ship	7 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan	8 Tour of Tables	9 Tour of Tables 2:00 pm Grades 6-8 cemetery clean-up 4:00 pm Grades 9-12 cemetery clean-up
Palm Sunday 10 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship at NL Sunday school sings	11	12	13 6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting	Maundy Thursday 14 10:30 am American Legion meeting 6:45 worship at Little Bethany	Good Friday 15 7:00 pm worship at Baptist Church	16
Easter Sunday 17 8:30 am Easter Breakfast 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 10:00 am Worship at NL	18	19	20 6:30 pm Confirmation Rehearsal	21	22	23 10:00 am WELCA kits and quilts
Confirmation Sunday 24 8:45 am Worship at LB 9:00 am Coffee at NL 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship at NL	25	26	27	28	29 Prom Dinner Set up	30 Prom Dinner

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This is the list of birthdays as listed in our church records for this month. If your name should be on the list and isn't (or is on the list and shouldn't be), please call the church office.

- 4/01 ~ Dexter Aaberg
- 4/03 ~ Cynthia Haugrud
- 4/03 ~ Lydia Umlauf
- 4/08 ~ Clifford Moen
- 4/08 ~ Stacy Wigdahl
- 4/09 ~ Weston Langfeld
- 4/14 ~ Debra Opsahl
- 4/15 ~ Makayla Webster
- 4/18 ~ Erin Aaberg
- 4/18 ~ McKenzie Tillman
- 4/20 ~ Lillian Hansen
- 4/21 ~ Tanya Ackert
- 4/21 ~ JoAnne Hexum
- 4/22 ~ Kali Brandt
- 4/26 ~ Robert Faulkner
- 4/28 ~ Selvin Brenden
- 4/29 ~ Julie Boyce

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

This is the list of Anniversaries as listed in our church records for this month. If your names should be on the list and aren't or are on the list and shouldn't be, please call the church office.

- 4/8 ~ Cory & Sommer Rian
- 4/11 ~ Jeff & Tulsa-Leigh Kugler
- 4/22 ~ Mike & Kristen Heidecker
- 4/29 ~ Charles & Nita Neuleib

SCRIPTURE READERS FOR THIS MONTH

- April 3rd -
- April 10th -
- April 17th - John Reber
- April 24th - Joyce Peterson



We are always looking for volunteers for future readings. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.



SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS FOR THIS MONTH

- April 3rd & 6th - Jennifer Honer
- April 10th - Steph Curtis
- April 17th - John Reber
- April 24th - Nathan Ziegler

We are always looking for volunteers to run our sound system. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office. Training is available.

Website/App

Website: www.newlifeparish.net



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