

# ERM NEWS

JULY 2017

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## Office Hours:

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday afternoons 12:30-4:30pm    Fridays 8am-2pm

Staff Meeting Monday afternoon @ 1:30pm

Pastor Nancy's DAY OFF is Friday

Sunday Morning Worship Times:

Bethany 9am    Grace 9am    First 10:45am

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS THE 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE MONTH

(Please contact Merigene with events planned so they can be put on the ERM Calendar)

## PASTOR NANCY WILL BE ON RETREAT @ ROCKY MOUNTAIN ACADEMY THROUGH JULY 2<sup>nd</sup>

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AND LISTEN TO THE MESSAGE  
YOU WILL BE INSTRUCTED ON WHO TO CONTACT**

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JULY 3<sup>rd</sup> & JULY 4<sup>th</sup> for the HOLIDAY**

**WOODHULL FUN FEST  
Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>  
Hope to see you there!**

**PALS continues to assist those in need in our community.**

**If you would like to contribute to our fund you may do so by placing a check  
made out to PALS or cash in an envelope marked PALS and place it in  
your church offering plate. Contributions may be sent directly to PALS  
in care of Pastor Nancy Jaster PO Box 57 Woodhull, IL 61490**

**We appreciate any and all donations.**

### **PASTORAL VISITATIONS**

We would like to keep in touch with those members who are hospitalized, in nursing homes or home bound. If you would like the pastor to visit, please contact her or the church office.

We appreciate knowing when members are **in the hospital**, and would appreciate knowing when members are **released from hospitals**.

### **PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Your help and cooperation is needed in helping Pr Nancy to respond to phone calls and messages.

It is best to contact

**Pastor Nancy Jaster** at (309) 334-2322  
prnancy@divcominc.net

### **ERM/Bethany Office Hours**

**Merigene will be in the office @ Bethany:  
Mon-Tues-Wed afternoons 12:30p-4:30p**

**Merigene will be in the office:  
Fridays 8:00a-2:00p**

**ERM/Bethany Phone: 309-334-2144  
ERM email: [edrivmin@gmail.com](mailto:edrivmin@gmail.com)**

**Staff Meeting** Monday @ 1:30p at Bethany

Pastor Nancy takes Fridays as her Day Off

### **ERM WEBSITE**

The website is available at:

**[www.edwardsriverministry.org](http://www.edwardsriverministry.org)**

### **ERM Sister/Companion Church**

Emmaus Church  
Rev. D. Jayakaran  
40 Main Road, Nellikuppam  
607 105 Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadus, India  
Email: rev\_jayakaran@yahoo.com

### **Foot Clinic**

United Church, Woodhull  
Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>  
1:00-4:00p

Appointments may be made with parish nurses  
Bev @ 334-2412 or Lynn @ 334-2672  
The nurses do foot soaks and toenail clipping.  
The cost is \$27.00 and you need to bring  
2 bath towels and one washcloth.

### **AIWood Food Pantry**

Open the 1st Tuesday of each month  
10-11am

The Food Pantry is located in the Oxford  
Township Hall in Alpha next to the  
Oxford Township Fire Dept.  
Contact Harriet Peterson @ 334-2276  
Al Nordquist @ 334-2264

### **Sherrard Food Pantry**

517 3rd St., Sherrard, IL

Hours of Operation:

Every Tuesday 2pm- 4pm

Every Thursday 5:30p - 7pm

### **New Windsor Food Pantry**

Open the 2nd Friday of each month  
12:30pm - 2:00pm

Please contact:

Cyndi Adams @ 667-2493

### **ERM Churches Sunday Schedules**

#### **Bethany:**

Worship: 9am

Coffee Fellowship: 10am

#### **Grace:**

Worship: 9am

Bible Study/Fellowship: 10:00a

#### **First:**

Adult Bible Study: 10am

Worship: 10:45am

## WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### BETHANY

**Lectors:**

7/2 Carol Eiker  
7/9 Lily McNally  
7/16 Barbara Fors  
7/23 Verna Bergstrom  
7/30 Pam Eiker  
8/6 Marvin Watters

**Ushers:**

7/2 Jim & Kelly Luallen  
7/9 Jason & Megan Hancock  
7/16 Al & Peggy Nordquist  
7/23 Bob & Verna Bergstrom  
7/30 Bob Eiker & Denise Eiker  
8/6 Gene & Shirley Brown

**Greeters:**

7/2 Lucy Newman  
7/9 Shannon & Jodi McNally family  
7/16 Gary Johnson  
7/23 Deed Nehls  
7/30 Mike & Pam Maher family  
8/6 Carol Eiker

**Prayer Asst:**

7/2 Jeana Fors  
7/9 Mary Stiers  
7/16 Randy Larson  
7/23 Verna Bergstrom  
7/30 Kelly Luallen  
8/6 Barb McNeil

**Communion Asst:**

7/2 Verna Bergstrom  
7/16 Marvin Watters  
8/6 Randy Larson

**Rotation of Callers**

July	Patty Colburn	Oct	Lucy Newman
Aug	Mary Stiers	Nov	Patrice Wirt
Sept.	Lucy Newman	Dec	Patrice Wirt

**Funeral Committee July-aug-Sept**

Connie Bolduc 334-2530  
Harriet Peterson 334-2276  
Peg Nordquist 334-2264

### GRACE

**Organist:** Elizabeth Robinson**Usher :** Gwen Blais**Altar:**

7/2 Georgia Smith  
7/16 Georgia Smith

**Assistant:**

7/2 Rhea Johnson  
7/16 Maxine McKinley

**Lectors:**

7/2 Rhea Johnson  
7/9 Gwen Blais  
7/16 Maxine McKinley  
7/23 Ross Olson  
7/30 Richard Peterson

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### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

**For all those who serve our nation** in this time of peril, for our President and our national leaders, and those who serve in the Armed Forces, especially **Jason Brown, Lindsey Carlson, Michael Matheson, Jake Holman, Alex Frew, Brad Williams, Matthew Broline, Kyle Gerber , Jacob Burkert** that God may watch over us all and lead us through this time into a time of peace.

### **Those with continuing health problems:**

Leland Peterson  
Mike Clark  
Becki Norton,  
Pastor Jane McChesney  
Carol St. John  
Chelsea Atnip  
Dick & Shirley Child  
Jerre Bubon  
Derek & Tammy Willett  
John Molburg  
Chuck & Connie Lawson  
Millie Nelson  
Alice Reed  
Norma Stromquist  
Kameron Brown  
Maxine McKinley  
Kathy Heschke  
Scott Van Velsor  
Maureen Huels  
Deb Hannam  
Ken Kremer

### **Southwest Conference Mission Partner:**

The ELCA World Hunger Foods Resource Bank:  
Chota Project in Peru

### **Our Companion Synod:**

North Central Diocese of Tanzania, Interim Bishop

### **ERM Sister Congregation:** Emmaus Church, India

**Our Faith Fellowship:** The churches and members of the Edwards River Ministry

### **July Birthdays:**

Casey Adamson (BW)	01
Lindsey Carlson (BW)	02
Kristen Litton (BW)	02
Keegan Taylor(GO)	02
Chase Adamson (BW)	03
Nicki Lindquist (BW)	04
Harriet Peterson (BW)	04
Bill Carlson (BW)	05
Jarod Litton (BW)	05
Teri Bumphrey (BW)	06
Debbie Anderson (FS)	06
Gayle Johnson (BW)	07
Shane Anthony (FS)	07
Nathan Becraft (BW)	09
Bonnie Bainbridge (BW)	10
Jackie Bloomberg (BW)	10
Chris Dertz (BW)	11
Ben Peterson (BW)	11
Candy Tschappat (BW)	13
Patricia Olson (BW)	13
Tom Hanson (BW)	14
Aaron McMeekan (BW)	14
Tad Nelson (BW)	14
Derek Willett(GO)	14
Kourtney Oliver (BW)	20
Nancy Swanson (BW)	22
Anna Willett (GO)	22
Kim Crawford (FS)	22
Ben Swanson (FS)	23
Jordan Maher (BW)	24
Connie Kremer (BW)	25
Corey Johnson (GO)	25
Marilyn Pearson (BW)	27
Lolly Swanson (BW)	28
Michael Smith (GO)	28
Hannah Nimrick (BW)	29
Erik Olson (BW)	29
Verna Bergstrom (BW)	30
Kent Johnson (BW)	30
Zackary Hancock (BW)	30

### **July Wedding Anniversaries:**

Adam & Trisha Peterson (BW)	09
Don & Elizabeth Robinson (GO)	17
Glenn & Betty Swanson (BW)	17
Jim & Pat Bowman (FS)	20

### **July Baptismal Birthdays (GO)**

Maxine McKinley	16
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**FIRST:**  
FS Council Meeting: Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 7pm

**Adult Bible Study @ 10am**  
**Children's Sunday School @ 10am**

The first Sunday of the month is designated  
**Food Pantry Sunday.**

All loose offering goes to the Sherrard Food Pantry.  
Food, cleaning supplies & paper products can be brought  
all month long. Thanks to all who participate.

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**GRACE:**  
GO Council Meeting: July 9<sup>th</sup> after worship

**Bulletin Sponsor: Gwen Blais**

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**BETHANY:**

**Hope Unit : Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> Hostess: Peg Nordquist**  
**BW Council Meeting: Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 10:30am**  
**Quilting: Tuesday Mornings 9am-12pm**

Reminder that we are still collecting "undies" and socks for the AlWood Schools. Preschool size is most needed at this time. Thanks for your continued support of this project.

The **first Sunday** of each month is designated **Food Pantry Sunday** at Bethany.

**Reminder...**

**Altar Flowers are \$40. Make the check out to WELCA and give to Peggy Nordquist or place in the offering plate.**

**Thank You...**

Thank you all for thinking of me as I move on from 8<sup>th</sup> grade and take on the next journey in my life! **Brecken Adamson**

**Thank You...**

Thank you to my Bethany Family for thinking of me on my 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion. Sorry I was unable to attend that Sunday, but appreciate your thoughtfulness. **Grace Barman**

**Dorothy Peterson** has moved to Galva. Here are her new address & phone number:  
1000 Courtyard Estates Room 314  
Galva, IL 61434

**Al Nordquist** and **Barbara Fors** are the Representatives for AlWood Food Pantry from Bethany.

**Seeking Pledges....**

I am attending the Women of the ELCA 10<sup>th</sup> Triennial Convention and Gathering in Minneapolis July 10-July16. I will be a delegate at the Convention and an attendee of the Gathering. I will also be participating in the Women of the ELCA health initiative of "Raising Up Healthy Women & Girls" by walking in the Run, Walk and Roll 5K in Loring Park on Saturday, July 15. I am seeking pledges from my Bethany family of \$5 to reach my fundraising goal of \$150. Please pray for me during this week for both discernment at the convention and perseverance during the 5K, not to mention safe travels. Grace & Peace **Jeana Fors**



**Leland & Harriet Peterson** are having an  
**80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**  
at the Woodhull Community Center on **July 2, 2017**  
from 2-4pm. All are invited. Cards are welcome.  
(NO GIFTS, PLEASE)

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**Woodhull, IL 61490-0459**

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