

ERM NEWS

JUNE 2018

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| Edwards River Ministry | (309)334-2144 | email: edrivmin@gmail.com |
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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 15th OF THE MONTH

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

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 28th for MEMORIAL DAY

PASTOR NANCY WILL BE ON LUTHER ACADEMY RETREAT JUNE 12th through JUNE 26th



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| Allison McDowell | AlWood High School | Parents: Scott & Lori McDowell |
| Hannah Maher | 8th Grade | Parents: Mike & Pamela Maher Grandparents: Rich & Janice Maher Grandparents: Carl & Carolyn Wilcoxon |
| Josh Maher | 8th Grade | Parents: Jeff & Jami Maher Grandparents: Rich & Janice Maher Grandparent: Linda Presley Grandparent: Caren Swanson |
| Morgan Wirt | 8th Grade | Parents: Philp & Amber Wirt Grandparents: George & Patrice Wirt |
| Dean Farwell | Orion High School | Grandparents: Al & Peggy Nordquist Plans: Attending University of Iowa |
| Cortney Farwell | 8thGrade | Grandparents: Al & Peggy Nordquist |
| Nick Lewis | University of Iowa | Grandparents: Al & Peggy Nordquist Plans: working in Austin, Texas |

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:

Mon-Tues-Wed afternoons 12:30p-4:30p
Fridays 8:00a-2:00p

ERM/Bethany Phone: 309-334-2144
ERM email: edrivmin@gmail.com

Staff Meeting Monday @ 1:30p at Bethany

Pastor Nancy takes Fridays as her Day Off

The website is available at:

www.edwardsriverministry.org

ERM Sister/Companion Church

Emmaus Church
Rev. D. Jayakaran
40 Main Road, Nellikuppam
607 105 Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadas, India
Email: rev_jayakaran@yahoo.com

Foot Clinic

United Church, Woodhull
Thursday, **June 21st**
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 \$35.00 and you need to bring
1 bath towel and one washcloth.

AlWood 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 Barb Fors @309-334-2754
Al Nordquist @ 334-2264

Sherrard Food Pantry

517 3rd St., Sherrard, IL
Hours of Operation:
Every Tuesday 2pm- 4pm
Every Thursday 5:30-7pm

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
NO CHILDREN'S CHOIR UNTIL SEPTEMBER
NO BELLS UNTIL SEPTEMBER
NO SENIOR CHOIR UNTIL SEPTEMBER
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL UNTIL SEPTEMBER

Grace:

Worship: 9am
Bible Study/Fellowship: 10:00am

First:

Adult Bible Study: 10am
Worship: 10:45am

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

BETHANY

Lectors:

6/3 Barb McNeil
6/10 Pam Eiker
6/17 Barbara Fors
6/24 Carol Eiker
7/1 Gene Colburn

Ushers:

6/3 Carol Eiker & Bob Eiker
6/10 Rich & Janice Maher
6/17 George Wirt & Marvin Watters
6/24 Jim & Kelly Luallen
7/1 Al Nordquist & Gary Johnson

Greeters:

6/3 Harriet Peterson
6/10 Randy & Jan Larson
6/17 Donita Creek
6/24 Dennis & Patty Colburn
7/1 Rich & Janice Maher

Prayer Asst:

6/3 Nancy Swanson
6/10 Marvin Watters
6/17 None
6/24 Megan Hancock
7/1 Denise Eiker

Communion Assistants:

6/3 Marvin Watters
6/17 Kristi VerHeecke
7/1 Jim Luallen

Funeral Committee Apr-May-June

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| Lucy Newman | 334-2286 |
| Barb McNeil | 334-2383 |

Acolytes:

6/3 Keirsten Hancock
6/10 Matt Maher
6/17 Ava Frakes
6/24 Brenden Bolduc
7/1 Brynlee Wirt

Rotation of Callers

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| June | Patrice Wirt |
| July/Aug | Verna Bergstrom |
| Sept/Oct | Lucy Newman |
| Nov/Dec | Kelly Luallen |

GRACE

Organist: Elizabeth Robinson

Ushers: Georgia Smith & Mary Beth Smith

Altar:

6/3 Gwen Blais
6/17 Gwen Blais

Assistant:

6/3 Richard Peterson
6/17 Gwen Blais

Lectors:

6/3 Richard Peterson
6/10 Georgia Smith
6/17 Ross Olson
6/24 Richard Peterson

Greeters:

6/3 Richard Peterson
6/10 Georgia Smith
6/17 Anna Willett
6/24 Richard Peterson

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

Alex Frew (FS), Brad Williams (FS), Kyle Gerber (FS), Jacob Burkner (FS), Ethan Anthony (FS)

that God may watch over

us all and lead us through this time into a time of peace.

Those with continuing health problems:

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| Leland Peterson | Lyle "Bus" Johnson |
| Karen Adamson | Connie Kremer |
| Dick Krueger | Gene Brown |
| Jerre Bubon | Derek Willett |
| John Molburg | Chuck & Connie Lawson |
| Pr. Jane McChesney | Kameron Brown |
| Alice Reed | Connie Bolduc |
| Norma Stromquist | Mike Clark |
| Becki Norton | Carol St. John |
| Shirley Child | Chelsea Atnip |

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

ALWOOD FOOD PANTRY ICE CREAM SOCIAL & SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, June 9th from 5-7pm
Maranatha Chapel Assembly of God, Alpha

Jenny Lind Vocal Concert

Sunday, June 24th @ 7pm

First Lutheran Church 1230 5th Ave. Moline.

The American Scandinavian Association at Augustana invites all to attend the Jenny Lind concert featuring this year's Jenny Lind Competition winner for sopranos and her Otto Goldschmidt prize winning piano accompanist. Refreshments provided by WELCA after the concert. Free will donation at the door. Questions? Contact Vicki at vickipeterson@yahoo.com or 309-762-9215.

June Birthdays:

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| Kenneth Rehn (BW) | 02 |
| Phyllis Johnson (BW) | 03 |
| Dallas Peterson (BW) | 03 |
| Steve Sundberg (BW) | 04 |
| Kim Colburn (BW) | 04 |
| Ashley Colburn (BW) | 05 |
| Bob Eiker (BW) | 05 |
| Kylie Foster (FS) | 05 |
| Connor Jochim (FS) | 11 |
| David Peterson (BW) | 12 |
| Danelle Larson (BW) | 13 |
| Richard Mason (BW) | 14 |
| Chuck Lawson (GO) | 14 |
| Dirk Larson (BW) | 15 |
| Mark Pearson (BW) | 16 |
| Brenden Bolduc (BW) | 16 |
| John Bowman (FS) | 16 |
| Betty Swanson (BW) | 18 |
| Ross Olson (GO) | 18 |
| Alex Willett (BW) | 19 |
| Gale Bramlett (BW) | 20 |
| John Rehn (BW) | 20 |
| Aaron Miller (GO) | 20 |
| James Swanson (BW) | 23 |
| Bristol Wirt (BW) | 26 |
| Carol Huetteman (FS) | 26 |
| Timothy Blaine (BW) | 28 |
| Adam Peterson (BW) | 29 |
| Archie Samuelson (GO) | 29 |
| Kim Sundberg (BW) | 29 |
| Jason Peterson (BW) | 30 |
| Leland Peterson (BW) | 30 |

June Wedding Anniversaries:

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| Bob & Verna Bergstrom (BW) | 01 |
| Rodney & Lolly Swanson (BW) | 04 |
| Rich & Janice Maher (BW) | 05 |
| Ken & Karla Barman (BW) | 06 |
| Curt & Debbie Anderson (FS) | 06 |
| Paul & Missy Corken (FS) | 11 |
| Lee & Cheree Encapera (FS) | 12 |
| Shane & Amy Anthony (FS) | 13 |
| Kyle & Misty Borkgren (BW) | 13 |
| Mike & Lyndi LeMay (BW) | 14 |
| John & Barb Schmidt (FS) | 17 |
| Neal & Jenni Nelson (BW) | 17 |
| Leland & Harriet Peterson (BW) | 17 |
| Gary & Roxanne Dierolf (FS) | 19 |
| Shannon & Jodie McNally (BW) | 22 |
| Matt & Hilary Fairbrother (BW) | 24 |
| Karl & Patty Swanson (FS) | 24 |
| Kevin & Alisa Wells (GO) | 26 |

FIRST:
NO COUNCIL MEETING IN JUNE
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.

Please keep Laura Swanson and her ministry in your prayers.

If you are interested in helping with the Community Garden
please contact Patty Swanson @ 309-574-0241

We will be collecting personal care kits for LWR again.

A kit consists of the following items:
Dark colored bath towel, medium weight
Toothbrush in original packaging or if you purchase a multi
pack place 1 toothbrush in business size envelope & seal,
Nail clippers, packaging removed
2 bars of soap
Comb, large tooth, packaging removed

There will be a box in the narthex for collection

Questions?? Call Fern @ 309-593-1613

GRACE:
GO Council Meeting June 10th after worship

REMINDER

**For those members of Grace wanting to be able to vote on
any upcoming issues, please remember that to be a voting
member according to our constitution you must be a
confirmed member who has communed in our
congregation AND made a contribution of record to our
congregation during the current or previous calendar year.**

Sympathy and prayers to the family & friends of Matt Miller.
Our hearts go out to you. May you find comfort during this
time of sorrow.

June Baptismal Birthdays (GO)

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| Carson Taylor | 01 |
| Gabriel Price | 03 |
| Hunter Price | 03 |
| India Price | 03 |
| Zoe Price | 03 |
| Jere Bubon | 11 |
| Polly Engstrom | 18 |
| Alisa Wells | 21 |

BETHANY:
HOPE UNIT: June 21st @ 9am
@ Elements Coffee Shop in Alpha

BW Council Meeting: Sunday, June 24th
After Worship

Quilting: Tuesday Mornings 9am-12pm

Patrice Wirt will be taking care of Altar Flowers

BIRTHDAY BAGS for ALWOOD FOOD PANTRY



Hannah Maher is organizing a service project to provide
birthday bags for patrons of the AlWood Food Pantry .Each
bag will include the following: cake mix, container of frosting,
package of birthday candles, package of balloons, birthday
card (please no gender or age specific cards) cupcake baking
cups. Monetary donations are welcome!For more information
or to donate, please contact Hannah at (309)334-2283 or
maherh@alwood.net

Thank You...

Thank you for all the support and donations for my Birthday
Bags Project! The project has been very successful! My goal
was to take 10 bags to the Food Pantry, but I ended up
collecting enough supplies to take 21! These bags should last
for a couple of months at the pantry, but will need help again
as the bag numbers still available dwindle. Thank you for being
active and supportive with my project! **Hannah Maher**

Thank You...

Thanks to all who helped with and donated to the WELCA
Breakfast & Bake Sale. The attendance was down, but
contributions were about the same as previous years, \$1400
including the quilt raffle money. We sold enough raffle tickets
to buy a roll of batting which is enough for 27 full size quilts.
The quilt winners were Elnora Cowser, Kimberly Engstrom,
Bertie Carlson and Nancy Watkins of Aledo. Thank you again
to all who helped, attended and donated.

Thank You...

Thank you to all who brought cookies and helped in any way
with our graduation recognition on May 20th.

Witness & Service Committee



Free Vacation Bible School

New friends • Amazing Crafts • Crazy Games
Lip-smacking Snacks • Surprising Adventures • Incredible Music

**United Church of Woodhull
150 W. Third Avenue**

**June 25th – June 29th
9:00 – 11:30 Preschool
9:00 – 12:00 All other ages**

VBS is for ages: 3 years through 8th Grade completed
Separate programs for preschool, elementary,
middle school (6th-7th)
LIT Leaders In Training (8th completed)

Register Online at:

www.vbspro.events/p/61490

Registration forms will be available at both churches

Hosted by Bethany Lutheran Church & United Church

For more information, call Bethany-334-2144 or United-334-2533

FATHER'S DAY BLANKETS

Please order by June 10th

I WOULD LIKE TO DONATE _____ BLANKETS AT \$5.00 EACH + \$ _____

In Honor of

In Memory of

Given by _____

Phone No. _____

Checks may be written to: **Bethany Lutheran Church**

Please give this order slip to a Witness/Service member or mail to church @ Box 459 Woodhull, IL 61490

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Return Service Requested

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PRAYERS FOR SAFE TRAVEL FOR PASTOR NANCY JUNE 12th through JUNE 26th

**PRAYERS FOR BW YOUTH & CHAPERONES ATTENDING THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING
HOUSTON, TEXAS JUNE 26th through JULY 2nd**

