

ERM NEWS

JULY 2018

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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)

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4th and FRIDAY, JULY 6th

WOODHULL FUN FEST

Saturday, July 21st

Bethany Lutheran Church

150th Anniversary Activities Begin!

Mark your calendars...

Sunday, July 22nd Community Worship Service

Sunday, Aug. 5th Ice Cream Social

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 Nadus, India

Email: rev_jayakaran@yahoo.com

Foot Clinic

United Church, Woodhull

Thursday, **July 19th**

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:

7/1 Gene Colburn
7/8 Mary Stiers
7/15 Jeana Fors
7/22 Nancy Swanson
7/29 Verna Bergstrom
8/5 Barb McNeil

Ushers:

7/1 Al Nordquist & Gary Johnson
7/8 Dennis & Patty Colburn
7/15 Dave & Marty Johnson
7/22 Jason & Megan Hancock
7/29 Bob & Verna Bergstrom
8/5 Rich & Janice Maher

Greeters:

7/1 Rich & Janice Maher
7/8 Jim & Kelly Luallen
7/15 Lucy Newman
7/22 Doug & Nancy Swanson
7/29 Lloyd Carlson
8/5 Barbara Fors

Prayer Asst:

7/1 Denise Eiker
7/8 Kelly Luallen
7/15 None
7/22 Nancy Swanson
7/29 None
8/5 Carol Eiker

Communion Assistants:

7/1 Jim Luallen
7/15 Randy Larson
8/5 Gene Colburn

Funeral Committee July-Aug-Sept

Barb McNeil	334-2383
Lucy Newman	334-2286
Barb Fors	334-2754

Acolytes:

7/1 Brynlee Wirt
7/8 Duncan Adamson
7/15 Reese Tschappat
7/22 Gavin VerHeecke
7/29 Kiersten Hancock
8/5 Matt Maher

Rotation of Callers

July/Aug	Verna Bergstrom
Sept/Oct	Lucy Newman
Nov/Dec	Kelly Luallen

GRACE

Organist: Elizabeth Robinson

Usher: Gwen Blais

Altar:

7/1 Georgia Smith
7/15 Georgia Smith

Assistant:

7/1 Rhea Johnson
7/15 Rhea Johnson

Lectors:

7/1 Rhea Johnson
7/8 Gwen Blais
7/15 Rhea Johnson
7/22 Ross Olson
7/29 Richard Peterson

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July Birthdays:

Casey Adamson (BW)	01
Lindsey Carlson (BW)	02
Kirsten 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
Gayle Johnson (BW)	07
Shane Anthony (FS)	09
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
Josh Curry (GO)	16
Koutney Oliver (BW)	20
Nancy Swanson (BW)	22
Anna Willett (GO)	22
Kim Crawford (FS)	22
Jordan Maher (BW)	24
Connie Kremer (BW)	25
Corey Johnson (GO)	25
Lolly Swanson (BW)	28
Michael Smith (GO)	28
Ben Swanson (FS)	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
Glenn & Betty Swanson (BW)	17
Don & Liz Robinson (GO)	17
Jim & Pat Bowman (FS)	20

July Baptismal Birthdays (GO)

Owen Curry	18
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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

Alex Frew (FS), Brad Williams (FS), Kyle Gerber (FS), Jacob Burker (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:

Leland Peterson	
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

FIRST:

FS Council Meeting: July 12th 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.

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

If anyone is interested in **helping** with the **Presbyterian
Church VBS** starting **July 12th** from 1-3:30 every Thursday
for 4 weeks, please contact Linda Brieby @ 593-2263.

GRACE:

Congregational Meeting after worship
Sunday, June 8th to discuss proposals received

Congregational VOTING Meeting after worship
Sunday, June 15th to vote on proposals received

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.**

Merideth Willett has moved!

Her new address is: 1415 W. 39th St. Davenport, IA 52806

BETHANY:

HOPE UNIT: July 19th @ 9am

BW Council Meeting: Wednesday, July 18th 7pm

Quilting: Tuesday Mornings 9am-12pm

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...

I want to thank the committee for the very nice graduate
reception and also thank you for thinking of me on my
8th grade graduation. **Morgan Wirt**

Thank You..

Thanks to all our Bethany family for the prayers, cards and
phone calls after I had my heart surgery on April 30th. We are
truly blessed and thank you all and Pastor Nancy for her visits.
Sincerely, **Shirley & Gene Brown**

Thank You...

The Bethany Quilters would like to thank everyone for their
ongoing support of our Lutheran World Relief quilting project.
The raffle of 4 quilts at the WELCA breakfast provided us with
\$131.00, enough to buy 1 ¼ packages of batting. We continue
to accept fabric, thread or batting donations, as well as cash.
We will continue to be good stewards of your donations.

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More details to come!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS

Personal Care Kits:

- 1 bath size towel, dark color preferred 20x40 lightweight or medium weight
- 2 bath size (4-5 oz.) bars of soap, any brand in original wrapping
- 1 adult size toothbrush in original wrapping**
- 1 wide tooth comb or hair pick, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clippers, remove packaging

**toothbrush multipacks may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelope,
no plastic bags or wrap.

Wrap all of the smaller items in the towel and tie with ribbon or yarn.
Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
Do not enclose the kit or any items in plastic bags.

School Kits:

- 4 70 sheet notebooks of wide or college ruler paper approximately 8"x10" (no loose leaf paper)
- 1 30 centimeter ruler; or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- 5 ballpoint pens (NO gel ink) secure with rubber band
- 1 box of 16 or 24 count crayons
- 1 eraser approximately 2-2 1/2 inches long
- 1 sturdy drawstring backpack style cloth bag approximately 14"x17" with shoulder straps

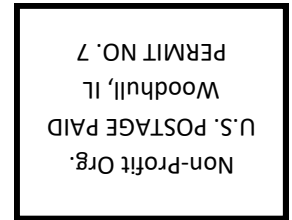
Place items in the above mentioned cloth bag, fold top over and secure with two large rubber bands.
Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.
Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

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Return Service Requested

