

ERM NEWS

JUNE 2019

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)

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 27th for MEMORIAL DAY
Synod Assembly @ Augustana College June 14th & June 15th
Pastor Nancy will be on RETREAT June 18th through June 27th



Grace 130th Anniversary
June 8th 1:30pm Service
Open House 2:30-4:30pm



Grace Lutheran final worship service
June 30, 2019 @ 9am

PASTORAL VISITATIONS

We would like to keep in touch with those 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, June 20th
1:00-4:00pm

Appointments may be made with
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 the 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

Bethany has been asked to donate SHAMPOO 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

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

Grace:

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

First:

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

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

BETHANY

Lectors:

6/2 Denise Eiker
6/9 Mary Stiers
6/16 Randy Larson
6/23 Nancy Swanson
6/30 Barb McNeil
7/7

Greeters:

6/2 Carol Eiker
6/9 Donita Creek
6/16 Randy & Jan Larson
6/23 Doug & Nancy Swanson
6/30 Barb McNeil
7/7

Communion Assistants:

6/2 Gene Colburn
6/9 Dennis Colburn
6/16 Jeff Newman
7/7 Denise Eiker

Acolytes:

6/2 Brenden Bolduc
6/9 Brynlee Wirt
6/16 Duncan Adamson
6/23 Reese Tschappat
6/30 Gavin VerHeecke
7/7 Kiersten Hancock

Ushers:

6/2 Bob Eiker & Carol Eiker
6/9 Gene & Barb Colburn
6/16 Ryan Colburn & Dennis Colburn
6/23 Gene Brown & Al Nordquist
6/30 Jason & Megan Hancock
7/7

Prayer Asst:

6/2 Denise Eiker
6/9 Mary Stiers
6/16 NONE
6/23 Nancy Swanson
6/30 NONE
7/7

Funeral Committee April-May-June

Betty Swanson	334-2692
Marcia Colton	334-22160
Peggy Nordquist	334-2264

Rotation of Callers

	Sept	Lucy Newman
June	Patrice Wirt	Oct Lucy Newman
July	Verna B.	Nov Kelly Luallen
Aug	Verna B.	Dec Kelly Luallen

GRACE

Organist: Elizabeth Robinson

*Anniversary

Altar:

6/2 Gwen Blais
*6/8 Peggy Pettit
6/16 Gwen Blais
6/30 Peggy Pettit

Lector:

6/2 Rhea Johnson
*6/8 Richard Peterson
6/9 Georgia Smith
6/16 Gwen Blais
6/23 Ross Olson
6/30 Richard Peterson

Ushers: Georgia Smith & Marybeth Smith

Assistant:

6/2 Rhea Johnson
*6/8 Ross Olson
6/16 Gwen Blais
6/30 Anna Willett

Greeter:

6/2 Rhea Johnson
*6/8 Pastor Nancy
6/9 Georgia Smith
6/16 Gwen Blais
6/23 Ross Olson
6/30 Anna Willett



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 Burkert (FS), Ethan Adolphson (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	Deed Nehls
Karen Adamson	Donald Connell
Logan Stiers	Gabriella Pier
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
John Schmidt	Karen Adolphson
Mike Adolphson	Jan Arrington
Lisa Ford	Lori Brodt
David McCollough	Dorothy Anderson
Darwin Swanson	

Prayers for Laura Swanson

Southwest Conference Mission Partner:

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

ERM Sister Congregation: Emmaus Church, India

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

Chuck Lawson (GO)	14
Ross Olson (GO)	18
Aaron Miller (GO)	20
Archie Samuelson (GO)	29
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
Kyllie Foster (FS)	05
Connor Jochim (FS)	11
Dave Peterson (BW)	12
Danelle Larson (BW)	13
Richard Mason (BW)	14
Dirk Larson (BW)	15
Mark Pearson (BW)	16
Brenden Bolduc (BW)	16
John Bowman (FS)	16
Betty Swanson (BW)	18
Alex Willett (BW)	19
Gale Bramlett (BW)	20
John Rehn (BW)	20
James Swanson (BW)	23
Bristol Wirt (BW)	26
Carol Huettman (FS)	26
Timothy Blaine (BW)	28
Adam Peterson (BW)	29
Kim Sundberg (BW)	29
Jason Peterson (BW)	30
Leland Peterson (BW)	30



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

GRACE:

GO Council: June 9th after Worship

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**Grace Lutheran Church records will be kept with
Wartburg Seminary Archives in Dubuque, Iowa**

REMINDER

In order to vote according to our constitution you must have communed in our church and made a monetary contribution of record in the previous or current year.



Anniversary Dates

FIRST:

**Adult Bible Study @ 10am
Children's Sunday School @ 10am
FS Council Meeting: June 13th 7pm**

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.

BETHANY:

BW Council Meeting: June 20th 7pm

Quilting: Tuesday Mornings 9am-12pm

HOPE UNIT:

Hostess:

2019 GRADUATES

- Kyle Barman** AlWood High School
Son of Kurt & Denise Barman
Grandson of Kenny & Karla Barman
- Zac Johnson** Plainfield East High School
Attending University of Colorado
Son of Brad Johnson
Grandson of Marty Johnson
- Luke Johnson** Heritage Junior High, Plainfield
Son of Brad Johnson
Grandson of Marty Johnson

Bethany joyfully welcomed **Brynlee Wirt** and **Gavin VerHeeke** into their church family through their Affirmation of Baptism on May 19th. May they grow in faith each and every day.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



FREE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

New friends, Amazing crafts, Crazy games, Lip smacking snacks, Surprising adventures, Incredible music
Hosted by United Church of Woodhull and Bethany Lutheran Church

June 24th through June 28th

9am-11am Preschool

9am-12pm all other ages

VBS is for ages 3 through 8th grade completed

Separate programs for preschool, elementary middle school (6th & 7th)

LIT Leaders in Training (8th grade completed)

Register online at: www.vbspro.events/p/61490

Registration forms will be available at both churches

For more information: Bethany @ 309-334-2144 or United @ 309-334-2533



5th Annual AlWood Food Pantry Ice Cream Social & Silent Auction

Help stock the AlWood Food Pantry

Join us at Maranatha Chapel on **June 8th** from **5-7pm**

for our Annual AlWood Food Pantry Ice Cream Social & Silent Auction

It is sure to be a fun-filled evening that you won't want to miss!

Donations for the silent auction may be made by contacting Pastor Melinda
@ 309-619-2127/309-372-8922 or maranathachapelag@yahoo.com

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