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May 2025 Newsletter

… "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." II Corinthians 3:17

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MAY 2025 @ ULEN

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 9:00am - Worship Service 10:30am - Sunday School	28 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	29	30 3:30-4:30pm - “Choices” Study	1 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	2	3
4 9:00am - Worship Service w/communion 10:30am - Sunday School	5 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	6	7 3:30-4:30pm - “Choices” Study *“Choices” Dinner* 5:30pm - Fellowship 6:00pm - Dinner	8 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	9	10
11 Mother’s Day 9:00am - Worship Service 10:30am - Sunday School Council Meeting following 	12 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	13	14 9:00-11:00am - MOPS 1:00pm - WMF	15 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	16	17
18 9:00am - Worship Service 10:30am - Sunday School Picnic Lunch following	19 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	20	21	22 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	23	24
25 9:00am - Worship Service	26 No Bone Builders 	27	28	29 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	30	31

MAY 2025 @ GLYNDON

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27 9:30am - Worship Service 10:45am - Sunday School 11:00am - FLY MEETING	28	29	30 5:00-6:30pm - Supper 5:45pm - Confirmation 6:30pm - Kids Club 6:45pm - Friendship Club 7:00pm - SaltTeens 7:00pm - Men's 33	1 7:00pm - Bible Study @ Pat Johnson's home	2	3 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
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18 **Senior Recognition Sunday** 9:30am - Worship Service 10:45am - Sunday School 11:00am - Call Comm. Mtg. 11:30am - Potluck Meal	19	20 10:00am-3:00pm - Quilting at the church 7:00pm - Evening WMF at Pat Palloch's home	21	22 7:00pm - Bible Study @ Pat Johnson's home	23	24 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
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31-Mar-25				
General Fund			**Current Month**	**Year to Date**
Contributions			$31,512.00	**$78,578**
Expenditures			-$27,666.00	**-$75,225**
Surplus / (Shortfall)				**$ 3,353**

	3/31/2025
GENERAL FUND INCOME	**$31,512**
Deacons	-$14,237
Education	$0
Finance	-$5,070
Trustees	-$7,086
Worship & Music	-$1,273
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	**-$27,666**
Other Income (Rent, Interest)	$27
Transfers between Funds	-$733
General Fund Balance Change	**$3,140**

GENERAL FUND BALANCE			**$59,143**	Target is $60,000

Special Funds	***Income***	***Expenses***	**Ending Balance**
Building / Emergency Fund	*630.24*		$ 719
Cookbook Sales for Missions		*-245*	$ -
Furnace Fund	*40*		$ 40,040
Good Samaritan Fund	*0*		$ 1,946
Lent Offering	*1,578*		$ 1,578
Memorial Fund	*0*		$ 10,347
Men's Fellowship/Breakfast	*310*		$ 1,502
Outreach Ministries	*0*		$ 166
Sunday Fellowship Fund	*0*		$ 469
Sunday School Missions	*3*		$ 449
Trail Life	*0*		$ -
VBS Blanket Project	*-496.32*		$ (92)
Wedding Fund	*0*		$ 500
Wednesday Suppers		*-217*	$ 3,716
World Missions Fund	*245*		$ 8,226
Youth Activities Fund	*260*		$ 723
Youth Community Outreach		*0*	$ 1,442
Youth FLY Fund	*3,801*		$ 23,939
Special Funds Balance			**$ 95,671**
General Fund Balance			**$ 59,143**
CHECKBOOK BALANCE			**$ 154,794**
PETTY CASH BALANCE			**$ 20**

Detailed expense reports are available in the Glyndon office.
Questions can be directed to Kristine Quanbeck - Treasurer
treasurer@maranathafreelutheran.com
218-498-2808

May ~ Happy Birthday!

Zachary Larson	May 01
Ben Schmitke	May 01
Kris Rasmussen	May 02
Sharon Christensen	May 05
Martha Sanger	May 05
Sawyer Lambert	May 06
Ryan Menholt	May 06
Helmer Gaukler	May 07
Craig Larson	May 07
Morgan (Okke) Herren	May 07
Caitlin Olek	May 07
William Tonneson	May 07
Jacob Skolness	May 09
Shirley Swenson	May 09
Noah Ebner	May 11
Reuben Moseng	May 11
Gary Nelson	May 11
Jack Olek	May 11
Hilda Schneidermann	May 11
Calvin Oberg	May 12
Linda Besette	May 13
Grace Toms	May 13
Isaac Schlauderaff	May 14
Canaan Baer	May 16
Rhyse Menholt	May 17
Delores Welle	May 18
Laura Scheuring	May 19
Kyle Johnson	May 20
Sara Larson	May 20
Gloria Hadden	May 21
Matt Larson	May 22
James Trick	May 22
Brad Dunham	May 23
Kale Okeson	May 23
Laci Chromey	May 25
Nolan Dale	May 25
Diane Rosenfeldt	May 26
Marissa John	May 26
Dawsen Johnson	May 26
Dylan Eckert	May 27
Ron Larson	May 28
Kim Jensen	May 31
Gary Miller	May 31
Eileen Moseng	May 31
Ruth Stong	May 31

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

May ~ Happy Anniversary!

Raul & Maura Gonzalez	May 02
Jim & Ardis Johnson Haarstad	May 03
Tim & Stephanie Schlauderauff	May 07
Ordean & Bernadene Bentley	May 12
Todd & Rhonda Rasmussen	May 16
Kenton & Bonita Chromey	May 18
Pr Peter & Mary Ann Ward	May 24
Matthew & Amanda Larson	May 27
Hunter & Kaylie Macziewski	May 27

Military Personnel

Thankful for those who serve our country!

Kally Anderson, granddaughter of Vonnie Anderson
James Cortelyou, nephew of Art & Delores Welle
Levi Dahl, grandson of Harvey & Dianne Dahl
Cody Dravland, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Trevor Dufault, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Makaila England, niece of Joyce Johnson & Lila Ebner
Jonathan Eastvold, nephew of Joyce Johnson & Lila Ebner
Brody Erickson, grand nephew of Glennys Sivertson
Kyle Johnson, son-in-law of Gary & Debi Langerud
Layne Johnson, grandson of Ardis Johnson
Hunter Macziewski, son of Doug &Tiffany Macziewski
Sierra Northridge, member of Ulen congregation
Andrew Quanbeck, son of Pastor Lloyd & Jean Quanbeck
Josiah Quanbeck, son of Pastor Lloyd & Jean Quanbeck
Jakob Rolf, grandson of Jim & Mary Rolf

A Prize for Mothers

Mom, you are a shining star
Though the world doesn't know your name.
You have no fancy title
Like Baroness or Dame.

Mom, you really are a star,
My mother, mentor and friend.
A Nobel Prize for motherhood,
Is what I'd recommend!

And if I won the lottery
I'd share my win with you
I'd take you Mom on a spending spree
Each day the whole year through!

You may not be famous,
As your face is known to few.
But Mom, I think you are wonderful
And I'm so proud of you!
~Anonymous

Memorial Day

To all the heart wounds touched afresh this day
As on the Soldier's resting place we lay
Thy flowers, Christ, in tender memory,
Give healing thou,
This eventide.

And for the sorrowing ones who yet remain,
To whom the heart-break and the bitter pain
Come like the memory of an old song's sad refrain
Have pity thou,
This eventide.

For all the losses of the lonely years–
For all the weight of shed and unshed tears,
For all forebodings, and all coming fears,
Give quietness,
This eventide.

By all the flower of youth in battle slain,
By all the woman's heritage of pain;
The prayer that it may not have been in vain,
We leave with thee,
This eventide.
~Emerette H. Dunning

MOTHER'S DAY

WORD SEARCH

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L S U J O Y X R O B H B W A Y L I M A F
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WORD LIST

ADVICE	BRAVE	COOKING	HAPPY	KISSES	SHARE
APPRECIATION	CAKE	DEDICATION	HEART	LAUGHTER	SUNDAY
BEAUTIFUL	CARING	FAMILY	HONOR	MAY	THANKFUL
BOND	CHOCOLATE	FRIENDSHIP	JOY	MEMORIES	TOGETHER
BOUQUET	COMPASSION	GIFT	KIND	MOM	WARMTH

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Marvel at Jesus, Live for His Glory

Mark Your Calendars Now!

VBS will be

July 13-18, 2025

Glyndon: Monday-Friday
9:00AM-Noon

Ulen: Sunday-Thursday
6:00-8:30pm

SALTEENS

GLYNDON CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Due to the large number of this year's confirmation class, we will hold confirmation on the first 2 Sundays in May (We will have communion both Sundays).

Sunday, May 4 & 11 - Confirmation Sundays

Wednesday, May 7 - Catechization for ALL CLASSES

(Group picture of confirmation class will be taken that night)

** Please note for those being confirmed this year, please wear a light colored shirt/dress as it may show through the gown for pictures.

FOOD FUN

SaltTeens Summer Kick-Off

Wednesday, June 4th
6:00-8:38pm

All students completing grades 6-12 are invited to attend our Summer Kick-off for SaltTeens.

Hope to see all of you there!

There will be <u>NO SaltTeens</u> on May 21st & 28th.

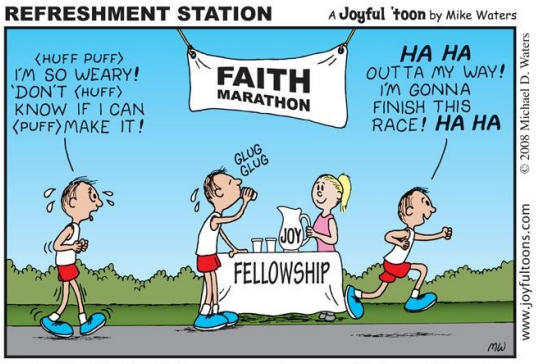
GAMES

Fellowship

The **Free Lutheran Youth (FLY) Convention** is the biennial national youth gathering of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. The purpose of the FLY Convention is to provide congregations with a tool for **winning the lost**, **building the believer**, and **encouraging student disciple making** in the local congregations.

Late Rate Deadline - May 15, 2025 ($849)
(cost to student is $450)

REGISTER at: flyconvention.org



so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and together with you be refreshed. – Romans 15:32 NIV

WMF NOTES
(Women's Missionary Federation)

Glyndon Morning

Morning WMF met on Tuesday, April 8th, 2025 with 11 ladies in attendance.

Dianne Wolla opened with prayer and led our Bible Study on "The Light That Enlightens: The Nobleman Sees & Believes".

President Cris Finstrom opened the business meeting with prayer.

Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved.

Old Business:

~ New coffee pots have been delivered and are working well.

New Business:

~ Lila Ebner made a motion to give $200 to the NET in Alaska. Anne will order needed items for them.

~ Ardis Johnson made a motion to send $100 to World Missions.

~ Joan Pake made a motion to send $100 to District WMF for dues.

Meeting concluded with prayer requests and time of prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Urlacher, Secretary

Glyndon Evening

Evening WMF met on Tuesday, April 22nd at Liz Walker's home. 8 lovely ladies were present.

Liz provided a delicious supper. Liz prayed for and led our Bible study on "The light that Enlightens: The Nobleman Sees and Believes."

President Janet Boe prayed and led our meeting.

Secretary and Treasure reports were read and approved.

Old Business:

~ Coffee pot was donated for kitchen

~ Spring outreach will happen in May with 2 teams, one going to Serenity and one going to Eventide Moorhead to deliver May baskets.

New Business:

~ $125 given for dues.

~ $75 given to World Missions

~ $100 love offering given

Prayer requests were given and prayed over and motion to adjourn was given.

Respectfully submitted by Coco Geray- Secretary

Ulen

Our WMF met Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 at 1:00pm with 6 ladies present. Debi Langerud led our Bible Study. Following the study, MaryAnn Ward opened our business meeting.

The Secretary's Report was read and Debi made a motion to accept as read and MaryAnn S. seconded it.

Our Treasurer's Report was read and MaryAnn S. made a motion to accept as read, Naomi seconded it.

Old Business:
~The Heart n' Soul Café was briefly discussed. No new information at this time.

New Business:

~ The April Project of the Month is for World Missions.

~ Easter Breakfast is planned and will be served by the men.

~ The Valley's Largest Baby Shower is in May. Naomi made a motion and Debi seconded it to continue supporting this.

~ The WMF Fall Rally was discussed..

~ Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 14th at 1:00pm instead of the Monday evening..

Our meeting was adjourned and we closed with prayer requests and the Lord's Prayer. Ellen served us a dessert.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Zillmer, Secretary

WMF DAY 2025

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Association Retreat Center | Osceola, WI

The Light of the World is Jesus
John 8:12 ESV

Please register for WMF Day through the AFLC.org/women website

WMF Day Registration closes June 6.

SERVING GROUP 3 ~ Glyndon

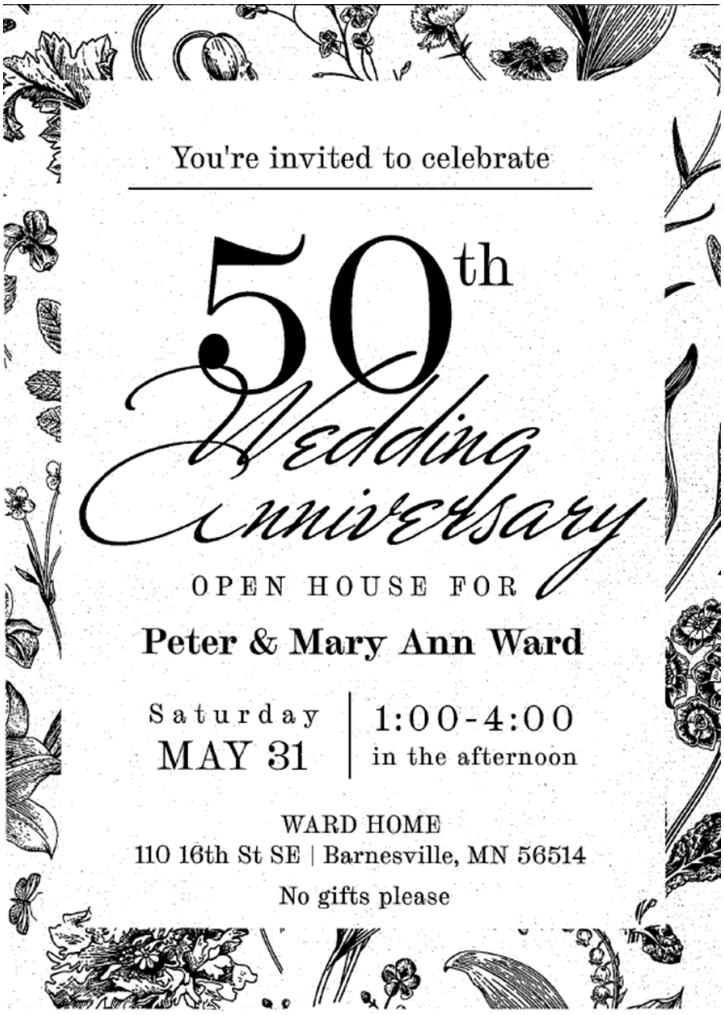
Serving Group 3 continues to be responsible for May & June. Take time to check the date or dates that you would be willing to serve goodies after church on Sunday mornings. We will also be responsible for serving other events that come up—lunches, special events, and funerals. Thank you for your willingness to serve our Lord & our church family—it is much appreciated. Any questions, contact Ruth Larson or Kim Jensen.

Glyndon Library—
Book suggestions for May

ADULT FICTION: "*To the Farthest Shores*" by Elizabeth Camden, brings an Army nurse and a Lieutenant together on a mission.

ADULT FICTION: In beloved author, Janette Oke's book, "*Roses for Mama*", 17-year old Angela and her older brother find themselves in the pioneering west raising their three young siblings.

ADULT NON-FICTION: "*Captured by Grace*" by David Jeremiah: No one is beyond the reach of a loving God..



Trail Life®

Adventure › Character › Leadership

Troop meetings are the

2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6-7:30pm

All boys grades K-12 are invited to attend!

If you have any questions, please contact Corey Trick.

This month's Troop Meetings are:

May 13th

May 27th

2025 Confirmation

Due to the large class and scheduling conflicts, this year's confirmation class, which consists of the 8th & 9th grade students, will be split between the first two Sundays in May. There will be Holy Communion both Sundays.

Catechization *for all confirmation classes in Glyndon (grades 6-9) will be Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00pm.*

Students confirmed Sunday, May 4th:

- **Anna Murack** (9th)
- **Jed Toms** (9th)
- **Walker Dale** (8th)
- **Dalton Johnson** (8th)
- **Harper Schmidt** (8th)
- **Grace Toms** (8th)
- **Celia Trick** (8th)

Students confirmed Sunday, May 11:

- **Sawyer Lambert** (8th)
- **Parker Larson** (8th)
- **Taylor Okeson** (8th)
- **Baxter Rickford** (8th)
- **Micah Schlauderaff** (8th)

Navigating Loss and Grief

Find relief and comfort at a GriefShare support group. Each week you'll watch a 30-minute video with insights from grief recovery experts and people who share their personal stories. You'll then spend time sharing with people who get what you're going through (there's no pressure to talk!) and take home a guide with helpful exercises for personal healing. Groups meet for 13 weeks.

Lighthouse Church

21 9th St S, Fargo, ND

Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm

1 - Is This Normal?	April 22, 2025
2 - Your Grief Journey	April 29, 2025
3 - Loneliness & Sadness	May 06, 2025
4 - Self-Care	May 13, 2025
5 - Fearful & Overwhelmed	May 20, 2025
6 - Anger	May 27, 2025
7 - Regrets	June 03, 2025
8 - Grief & Your Household	June 10, 2025
9 - Grief & Your Friendships	June 17, 2025
10 - Questions for God	June 24, 2025
11 - Stuck in Grief	July 01, 2025
12 - Hope & Resilience	July 08, 2025
13 - What Do I Live For Now?	July 15, 2025

JOIN US FOR THE
2025 AFLC
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Abundant Life

JOHN 10:10

Opening Session Speaker Pastor Lloyd Quanbeck

JUNE 11-14 | Association Retreat Center, ARC – Osceola, WI

VIEW THE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE, REGISTER, AND WATCH LIVESTREAMS OF EVENING SERVICES AT

WWW.AFLC.ORG/CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION CLOSES **JUNE 6**

The conference business sessions run from 8:45-4:45 each day, Thursday-Saturday. In addition to the regular business, here are some special events to highlight:

- Evening Services: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evening services will be livestreamed and accessible at **www.aflc.org/conference**.
  - Wednesday Opening Service: Rev. Lloyd Quanbeck is our speaker. The service will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.
  - Thursday Missions Festival Service: Rev. Paul Abel will be sharing. This will be followed by a reception hosted by AFLC World Missions welcoming new missionaries Zachariah and Carey Ritland.
  - Friday Communion Service: Mr. Owen Parsley will share at this service, followed by an ice cream reception provided by AFLC Home Missions.
- Special Lecture Series:
  - AFLC President, Rev. Micah Hjermstad will present a lecture titled "*Clothed in Christ: Biblical Traits of Leadership.*"
  - Pastor Jeremy Larson will lead a lecture on "*Discipleship Micro-groups for Congregations.*"

COUNCIL MINUTES

Maranatha Free Lutheran Church – Glyndon, MN
Council Meeting
April 9, 2025

Present: Cliff Langerud, Kristine Quanbeck, Pastor Lloyd Quanbeck, Jill Toms, Glenn Urlacher, Jeff Ehrichs, Amanda Larson, Chad Johnson, and Alyssa Johnson.

Cliff opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

Secretary's report of March meeting minutes was read by Alyssa. No corrections nor additions to the Secretary's report. Stand approved as read .

Treasurer's report was given by Kristine. Reported March 2025 contributions as $31,512 and expenditures of $27,666. General Fund balance $59,143 (target $60k). Started 2% levy on General Fund to repay Building / Emergency Fund. Lent offering to AFLC World Missions in support of Zach & Carey Ritland.

Board Reports:

~ Finance –Amanda
  * Approved using Memorial Fund to pay for handicap accessible bathroom doors .

~ Trustees –Jeff
  * Kitchen flooring replaced
  * Moving copier service to Liberty Systems
  * Reviewing handicap accessible door options
  * Obtaining furnace estimates

~ Worship & Music – no update

~ Education – Jill
  * VBS team secured, dates July 14-18th, in need of director and host homes for team
  * 3/27 partnered with UC Hope. Provided supper, snack, and craft. Ages ranged from preschool to HS
  * Children singing Palm Sunday
  * Kid's Club carnival 4/23
  * 5/18 last day of Sunday School
  * Seeking Kid's Club leader
  * Will be having a summer camp table

~ Deacons – Glenn
  * Deacon retreat 3/29
  * Adult Sunday School next 4-6 weeks will be Family Life

~ Pastor Report – Pastor Lloyd
  * Deacons, Pastor, and Nikki to connect with young adults in the area from congregation
  * Four Baptisms in March
  * Dalton Johnson to give message on Palm Sunday
  * Confirmation – 12 students. Catechization 5/7. Will split Confirmation class into two groups, first two Sundays in May

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Pastor Lloyd closed the meeting in prayer

Motion to adjourn made by Chad; seconded by Jeff

Respectfully submitted by Alyssa Johnson

High School Graduates

Trent Jensen	Ashlyn Lockner
Casey Macziewski	Jordan Ness
Kale Okeson	Logan Schlauderaff

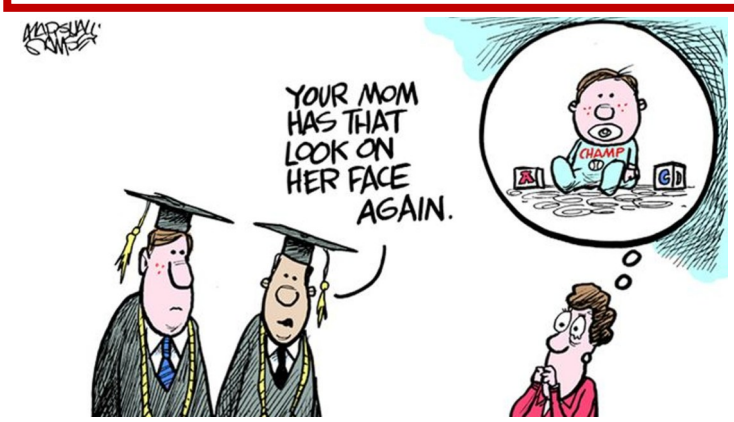
Senior Recognition Sunday is May 18th at Glyndon

Graduation Open Houses

Casey Macziewski, *Friday, May 23rd, 7pm-10pm at their home, 2284 150th St N, Glyndon, MN*

Jordan Ness, *Monday, May 26th, 1-4pm at their home, 301 3rd St NE, Dilworth, MN*

Kale Okeson, *Friday, May 30th, 4-7pm at their home, 1113 West Summerwood Trail, Dilworth, MN*



Thank you so much for all the prayers, love, and support you have given Jerry and me. We deeply appreciated all the food, cards, calls, flowers, and visits. A special thank you to all the prayer warriors out there!

With gratitude and love, *Jerry and Liz Walker*

Maranatha News

MAY 2025

From Pastor Lloyd...

Dear folks at Maranatha,

One of the things I look forward to each summer is the extra opportunities for spiritual enrichment that are available through our connections in the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. The value of such gatherings is stated right in the Fundamental Principles #'s 7&8 of the Lutheran Free Church.

- *A free congregation gladly accepts the mutual assistance which congregations can give one another in the work for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.*
- *Such assistance consists partly in the mutual sharing of spiritual gifts among the congregations through conferences, exchange visits, lay activities, etc., whereby congregations are mutually edified, and partly in the voluntary and Spirit-prompted cooperation of congregations for the accomplishing of such tasks as exceed the ability of the individual congregation.*

Here are some of such opportunities I encourage you to consider taking in this summer. I will list them somewhat in the order they occur on the calendar:

AFLC Annual Conference (at the Association Retreat Center, Osceola, WI) **June 11-14, 2025**. See add on pg. 3 of this newsletter for more details! This is open to all members of AFLC Congregations, not just Pastors, and elected leaders. Consider coming for even a day, to gain understanding into the various ministries, and to get to know and enjoy fellowship with other great folks within the AFLC. A friend of mine says this about the Annual Conference:
This writer is convinced that anyone attending three Annual Conferences in a row will experience an irresistible desire to return each year to share in the work, rejoice in the fellowship, and be renewed in the Spirit. (Loiell O. Dyrud)

Bethany Bible Camp (On beautiful Grace Lake, Near Bemidji) has been so well attended in recent years that they have expanded to three weeks:

Elementary Camp: Students who have completed 3rd-5th grade. **June 13-17, 2025.** Cost: $180
Middle School Camp: Students who have completed 6th-8th grade. **June 17th-21st, 2025.** Cost: $180
High School Camp: Students who have completed 9th-12th grade. **June 21-26, 2025.** Cost: $200

(Maranatha will cover half the cost for any of these camps. Get information from our church office about how to deal with this.)

AFLC Wilderness Camp (Near Cormorant, MN) This beautiful spot in God's creation is owned by the congregations of the AFLC, and has lots of room for the kids to recreate, as well as some trails in the woods to explore. It is available throughout the summer for personal retreats, family gatherings, and congregational events on a freewill offering basis.

Following are some things scheduled there and open to all.

July 15-20, 2025 it hosts a week of **Family Camp**. Folks may come and stay in dorms, set up campers and tents, or just come out for morning or evening sessions.

August 23-24, 2025 Maranatha Congregations will enjoy a weekend there. Come out on Saturday and stay overnight, or just come Sunday morning for a Worship Service, followed by a Congregational picnic.

In addition, St. Paul's Free Lutheran Church in Fargo, is working on a plan to hold **weekly Sunday morning worship services** there this summer. So, if you spend weekends in lakes country, here is a way to attend worship close to your cabin, as well as to enjoy fellowship with folks in the area. (More information to come as it becomes available).

SIT (Summer Institute in Theology) August 4-8, 2025 Don't let the big name scare you! This is a great opportunity for any adults to soak up instruction in God's Word, and practical training in various aspects of church life from faculty of Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary.

For more information concerning any one of the above go to aflc.org or do a google search of the specific event.

May the Lord bless you as you make plans for your summer. Consider the possibility of including some extra time away for fellowship with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

Pastor Lloyd Quanbeck