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September 2023 Newsletter



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

Members of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations



SEPTEMBER 2023 @ ULEN



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00am - Worship Service / Communion	4 Labor Day	5	6	7 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	8	9
10 Rally Sunday 9:00am - Worship Service 10:15am - Sunday School - Council Meeting 11:00am - Picnic lunch	11 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	12	13 9:00–11:00am - MOPS 1:00pm -WMF at Viking Manor	14 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	15	16
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**Maranatha Free Lutheran Church
Glyndon, MN**

Financial Snapshot - Maranatha Glyndon				
as of 07-31-23				
General Fund			Current Month	Year to Date
Contributions			\$26,588.00	\$182,769
Expenditures			-\$28,579.00	-\$199,224
Surplus / (Shortfall)				\$ (16,455)

	7/31/2023
GENERAL FUND INCOME	\$26,588
Deacons	-\$18,631
Education	-\$70
Finance	-\$4,595
Trustees	-\$5,141
Worship & Music	-\$142
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	-\$28,579
Other Income (Rent, Interest, etc)	\$49
General Fund Balance Change	-\$2,137
Transfer General to Special Funds	-\$195.00
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$56,616

Target is \$60,000

<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Building Fund			\$ 19,094
Building Improvement Fund		-1432.29	\$ 12,921
Christmas Eve			\$ -
Cookbook Sales for Missions			\$ 210
Designated Donations			\$ 420
Good Samaritan Fund			\$ 2,315
Holiday Baskets			\$ 1,442
Lent Offering			\$ -
Memorial Fund	198		\$ 8,448
Men's Fellowship	100		\$ 1,922
Men's Fraternity			\$ -
Outreach Ministries			\$ 166
Sunday Fellowship Fund			\$ 467
Sunday School Missions			\$ 290
Trails End Ranch			\$ -
VBS Blanket Project	375		\$ 935
Wedding Fund			\$ -
Wednesday Suppers			\$ 2,450
World Missions Fund	5		\$ 7,787
Youth Activities Fund	450		\$ 4,384
Youth FLY Fund	9,063	-10057	\$ 11,069
Special Funds Balance			\$ 74,321
General Fund Balance			\$ 56,616
CHECKBOOK BALANCE			\$ 131,189
PETTY CASH BALANCE			\$ 20

*Detailed expense reports are available in the Glyndon office.
Questions can be directed to Kristine Quanbeck - Treasurer
treasurer@maranathafreelutheran.com
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2023 Monthly Financial Summary(AutoRecovered)

Birthdays

September ~ Happy Birthday!

Bill Dale	September 01
Andrew Quanbeck	September 01
Miah Blake	September 02
Isaiah Ebner	September 02
Kryss Geray	September 02
Morgan Schlauderaff	September 02
Kota Hoselton	September 03
Reid Hurner	September 03
Vanessa Skolness	September 04
Jedidiah Toms	September 04
Kara Davis	September 06
Presley Hilde	September 06
Wyatt Huewe	September 06
Shelby Buchfink	September 07
Del Palloch	September 07
Katie Ferden	September 08
Jason Koehler	September 08
Dave Evans	September 10
Linda Oelke	September 11
David Jensen	September 12
James Rickford	September 12
Scarlett Fischer	September 14
Victoria Mosloff	September 14
Devika Gwin	September 16
Amos Fevig	September 17
Gordon Fevig	September 17
Cody Oberg	September 17
Adam Adrian	September 18
Luci Carlson	September 18
Ethan Johnson	September 18
Anne Manderud	September 18
Julie Boehrnsen	September 20
Joy Dale	September 20
Addie Ehrichs	September 20
Emelyn Fevig	September 20
Grace Wendt	September 20
Jon Rognlie	September 21
Harvey Dahl	September 22
Cody Erickson	September 22
Elijah Dillon	September 25
Alan Christensen	September 26
Griffin (Fin) Fischer	September 26
Reed Johnson	September 26
Casey Oberg	September 26
Hannah Toms	September 26
Joan Pake	September 27
Rachel Rasmussen	September 27
Caleb Jensen	September 28
Parker Larson	September 28
Jan Haaland	September 29
Brittany Pender	September 29
Bennett Trautmann	September 29
Melody Okke	September 30
Jerry Walker	September 30



Anniversaries

September ~ Happy Anniversary!

Jon & Annie Rognlie	September 01
Bobby & Rochelle Olson	September 02
Luke & Olivia Eggebraaten	September 04
Jeremy & Kristen Ebner	September 06
John & Lisa Austinson	September 07
Gene & Gerri Leach	September 07
Darrell & Betty Menholt	September 07
John & Terrie Enlow	September 09
Gary & Naomi Nelson	September 12
Glenn & Karen Urlacher	September 19
Ben & Megan Schmitke	September 20
Jason & Sue Koehler	September 22
Rick & Anne Manderud	September 23
John & Martha Sanger	September 26

Military Personnel

Thankful for those who serve our country!

Kally Anderson, granddaughter of Vonnie Anderson
Levi Dahl, grandson of Harvey & Dianne Dahl
Cody Dravland, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Trevor Dufault, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Makalia 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
Josiah Quanbeck, son of Pastor Lloyd & Jean
Jakob Rolf, grandson of Jim & Mary Rolf
Ethen Vind, grandson of Art & Dolores Welle



Fall Schedule at Glyndon

Rally Sunday, September 10

9:30am - Worship Service

10:45am - Sunday School

10:45am - Youth will serve a Free-Will Brunch/Lunch (Kids/Teachers will eat after a shortened Sunday School class)

Wednesday, September 13

5:45pm - Confirmation Meeting for Parents & Students

6:30pm - SaltTeens Meeting for Parents & Students

7:00pm-8:15pm - SaltTeens

7:00pm - Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 20

5:00pm-6:30pm - Supper Served

5:45pm-6:45pm - Confirmation

6:30pm-7:30pm - Kid's Club

6:45pm-7:45pm - Friendship Club

7:00pm-8:15pm - SaltTeens

Fall Schedule at Ulen

Rally Sunday, September 10

9:00am - Worship Service

10:15am - Sunday School

10:15am - Council Meeting

11:00am - Picnic Lunch

We look forward to another year of Sunday school and learning more about Jesus!

Valley Christian Counseling is excited to have gifted author, speaker, and radio-host, Susie Larson join them for a night of HOPE and HEALING! There's no doubt that we will all leave with more hope, more joy, and an excitement about what God is doing in and through the ministry of Valley Christian Counseling! Come early to hang out with us and enjoy some shopping, fun, and food trucks! We truly can't wait to be with you!

Schedule - September 12th at Northview Church, Fargo, ND

5:30 PM - Shopping, Fun, & Food Trucks

7:00 PM - Main Event

Tickets are \$10 (\$20 if purchased the day of the event or at the door).



Fully Alive Sunday School class

September 17, conference room

Join us for this 10 week study with author & teacher Susie Larson.

On this journey of Fully Alive we will pursue wholeness and pray for a miracle.

"People everywhere are dealing with storms, symptoms, fears, rogue emotions, and anxieties that have upended their lives. Dealing with emotional stress and crazy health symptoms is no longer just a topic for conversation. This is an epidemic crisis. People are stirred up, stressed out, and long to know the kind of health, freedom, and wholeness that Jesus promised."

If you have any questions, please contact Chanyce Dahl, who will be leading this class.

Class schedule will be following dates:

9/17 - He Restores - Believe It

9/24 - My Soul & Body Ache - Jesus, Make Me Well

10/1 - I'm Afraid - Jesus, Grant Me Fierce Faith

10/15 - I Feel Guilty & Ashamed - Jesus. Set Me Free

10/29 - I Feel Anxious & Worried - Jesus, Surround Me with Peace

11/12 - I'm Grieving - Jesus, Heal My Heart

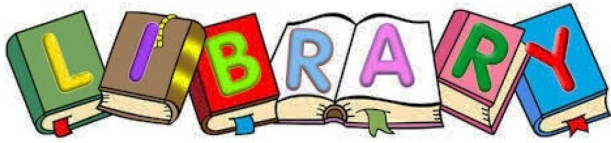
11/26 - I'm Discouraged - Jesus, Change My Perspective

12/3 - I'm Insecure - Jesus, Show Me How You See Me

12/10 - I'm Selfish - Jesus, Make Me Brave

12/17 - He Rewards - Receive It





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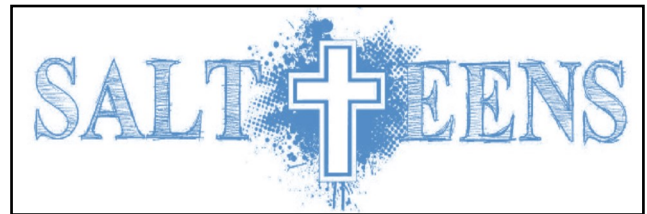
BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Adult Fiction:

An author new to our library, Tracy L. Higley's first in a series, "Isle of Shadows" begins in 227BC, Rhodes, Greece. Enslaved in a world of money and power, Tessa dares to be free.

Adult Fiction:

Julie Klassen's "The Bridge to Belle Island" is a tale of secrets and deception, coupled with unexpected plot twists and a swoon-worthy ending. The setting is the early 1800's.



SaltTeens will begin this fall with a parent/student meeting Wednesday, September 13th at 6:15pm with SaltTeens to follow from 7:00-8:15, which will be held weekly.

FALL YOUTH RALLY

SEPTEMBER 24TH

We will have
**Bible Study,
9 Square, Octoball,
and more!**

2-7 PM

Contact your youth leader to sign up.

LOCATION:

 **CALVARY**
FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH
1416 County Hwy 111 Fergus Falls, MN 56537



Tierce Green *of the 33 Series - Authentic Manhood* is coming to Fargo - Saturday, October 21, as part of the Harvest Leadership Prayer Breakfast.

The Prayer Breakfast is 9:00am-10:30am (advance tickets—\$20; at the door—\$25).

The Evening Banquet is 6:30pm-9:00pm (table sponsorship—\$250; Tickets—\$30).

Contact Glenn Urlacher if you have questions or want more information.



October 19-20 Two-day free preview event for high school juniors, seniors, and recent grads.

Find out what makes our nationally accredited college unlike any other. No matter what direction God calls you after high school, FLBC will establish you in the Word of God for a life of faith in Jesus Christ. See firsthand how FLBC students encounter **Scripture w/o Distraction, Discipleship w/o Distance, and Ministry through the Congregation.**

Something for everyone:

- * Free meals in the dining hall
- * Sit in on real classes
- * Chapel and vespers
- * Volleyball and basketball preview
- * Scholarship giveaway
- * Meet future classmates
- * Lunch with the pros

Registration Deadline will be September 27. Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board and in the youth room.

Save the Date



Tuesday, October 11th - 6:30 PM

More info to come for those involved in the 2022 – 2023 Secret Sisters.



**Secret Sister Sign Up for 2023-2024
now through September 17th**

All ladies of the church are invited to participate in this ministry of caring and sharing with other sisters in Christ. You will be given a sister that you will pray for and encourage. It is wonderful to have someone that prays for you and is there to send you an encouraging note from time to time. Will need to keep our sister's secret; so don't let anyone know who you have. Of course, it may be fun for you to guess along the way. Above all, it will fun and enjoyable getting to know your sisters.

Secret Sisters for 2023-2024 starts on October 1st through September 30th . Those wishing to participate can pick up a form on the office counter, complete and return to the office (placing it in the assigned envelope) on or before September 17th .

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Lewis.

Maranatha Free Lutheran Church

Glyndon Council Meeting

No meeting was held in August.

Next meeting scheduled for September 13th at 7:00pm

Ulen Church Council

Sunday, August 13th, 2023

Members present: Greg, Dave, Gary N, Megan, Ben, Jessie, Bob, John

1. Call to order – Greg
 2. Devotions & Prayer – Jessie & Pastor Ward
Next meeting - Gary N
 3. Minutes read from last meeting - Jessie
Motion to accept by Bob 2nd by Dave, Motion carried.
 4. Treasure's Report – Megan
Added columns to show previous years for comparison
Renewed CD at 4% for 13 weeks
Motion to accept by Ben, 2nd by Bob, Motion carried.
 6. Deacons report - None
 7. Trustees report
Cleaning carpet will be this week
North wall was painted and looks good – Parking lot didn't get done
 8. Worship & Music - None
 5. Pastor Report – Pastor Ward
Fall schedule – Church will stay at 9 -Sunday School will be at 10:15
Let's think about what we could be doing to grow
Look into Pastor Ward writing an article for Union?
 9. Christian Ed
Meeting this week to discuss Sunday School
 10. Special Reports – None
 11. Old Business
Scholarships –
Special offering from 8/3/23 was \$1,400
Deadline to apply for scholarship 9/1/23
Scholarships will be \$1200 per approved applicant payable to AFLBS at end of successfully completed year
Motion by Ben 2nd by Dave, motion carried.
Accept applications for Rachel Gregory & Wesley Carl
 12. New Business –
Funds will be donated to a family with unexpected needs.
Motion by Ben 2nd by Bob, motion carried.
- Adjourn – Bob Motioned , 2nd Ben
Greg- closed in prayer
Respectfully submitted by Jessie Zillmer



WMF NOTES

(Women's Missionary Federation)

Glyndon Morning

Morning WMF met on August 8, 2023, with 11 ladies present.

Jeanie Rasmussen opened in prayer and led our Bible Study "Ruth, Determined Faithfulness, a lesson in God's favor".

Cris Finstrom led our business meeting. Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved.

Old Business:

Cris shared about the WMF day from the annual conference.

Cris encouraged us to pray for a minister for the Alaskan mission.

New Business:

A motion made and approved to give \$100 to Christian Education.

We closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Lila Ebner, Secretary

Glyndon Evening WMF

Evening WMF met on August 15th at Joyce Johnson's home. There were 6 lovely ladies in attendance.

Pat Palloch led our study on Ruth "Determined Faithfulness"

Janet called our meeting to order. Secretary and Treasurer report were read and approved.

Old Business: More toy soldiers will be set out. Operation Christmas Child boxes have arrived and information given out.

New Business: \$50.00 was approved for Christian Education. Silent auction for the Heart of Clay fundraiser was discussed with a \$30-\$50 dollar donation. All approved. Prayer requests were given and prayed over. Next meeting will be on September 19th at Vickie Haverkamp's home.

Respectfully submitted by Coco Geray

Ulen WMF

Ulen WMF met Monday, August 14th at 7pm with 6 ladies present. We did the bible study together on Ruth. Bernadene served us a delicious lunch as we conducted our business meeting.

The Secretary & Treasurer Reports were approved as read.

Mary Ann S. thanked everyone for their help & food for Walt's funeral as well as those who served bars and refreshments at the Wilderness Camp in July.

This Saturday we will be serving the class reunion in our Fellowship Hall at 9:30am. We will be planning on 20+. Our menu was discussed & items signed up for with the fruit to be purchased.

New Business: Our project offering of \$50 this month goes to Christian Education.

Next month our meetings will begin our fall/winter schedule and we'll meet on Wednesday, September 13th at 1:00. It will be at Viking Manor where we'll also bring gifts for the those celebrating birthdays in September.

We closed with several prayer concerns and with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Zillmer, Secretary



SERVING GROUP 2 ~ Glyndon

Attention: Ladies of Serving Group 2 will continue **serv-ing the month of September**.

We will also be responsible for serving other events that come up—lunches, special events, wedding receptions, and funerals. Thank you for your willingness to serve our Lord & our church family—it is much appreciated. If you have any questions, contact Lori Pender. Thank you.

SERVING GROUP 3 ~ Glyndon

Attention: Ladies of Serving Group 3. Looking ahead, we will be responsible for **serv-ing the months of October, November & December**. A sign-up sheet will posted in the kitchen towards the end of the month—please 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, wedding receptions, and funerals. Thank you for your willingness to serve our Lord & our church family—it is much appreciated. If you have any questions, contact Kim Jensen or Ruth Larson. Thank you.

Maranatha News

SEPTEMBER 2023

FROM PASTOR RYAN...

I grew up in a "No Creed but Christ" household. I don't know if I knew enough Scripture or church history to call it that - but that was the essential philosophy of our house growing up. For a while, we attended a Methodist church. After that, we attended a Reformed church, and later a nondenominational (aka: Baptist) church - before making our way to a Free Lutheran church.

Suddenly, this "No Creed but Christ" family found themselves in a higher-church setting, with appointed times for standing and sitting, along with corporate confessions of sin and faith. At first, I didn't understand the habits and routines. However, in time, I came to enjoy and appreciate them, especially the Apostles' Creed and the concise summary of the Christian faith it presented.

There are many in the "No Creed but Christ" camp who reject such things as the Apostles' Creed. "It's not in Scripture, therefore I don't need it!" But the "No Creed but Christ" camp lives in naivety. They are ignorant of reality that, through our sinful flesh, we are adversely affected by sin as we approach the Scripture. Our sinful condition, along with a preconceived worldview, taints how we read God's Word.

The reality is that we need a guide to help us, lest we drift into error. I'm reminded of Philip's encounter with the Ethiopian eunuch. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked. And the eunuch replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" (Acts 8:30-31). Each of us needs a guide as we approach Scripture.

Broadly, we have the Apostles' Creed as a guide; one cannot rightly be a Christian if they do not hold to the basic teachings presented there. More narrowly, as Lutherans, one such guide is the Book of Concord. The Book of Concord is comprised of seven sets of documents, composed from 1529-1580, that lay out a Biblical, Lutheran understanding of the Christian faith. The Creeds, The Augsburg Confession, Smalcald Articles, The Power and Primacy of the Pope, both the Small and Large Catechisms, and the Formula of Concord, all help us parse out places where disagreements over doctrine have arisen. (If you haven't heard of The Book of Concord or read any parts it, I'd encourage you to! A copy can be found in the church's library or you can read it online at bookofconcord.org)

But someone will ask, "But Jesus said Christians are to be united. Aren't disagreements and divisions over doctrine a bad thing? Aren't denominations harmful to the body of Christ?"

On the one hand, yes, denominations are a proof that we are yet still tainted by sin. (If we all would read Scripture as we ought, we'd all be Free Lutherans!) But on the other hand, denominations allow us to stop having the same fights every week. Could you imagine the arguments we would have if, at each baptism, we had to discuss the mode and appropriate age for baptism? Or each time we came together to take the Lord's Supper, there would need to be a discussion about what it is (and is not), who can take which elements, and what to do with the remainder following Communion. And each time we needed to have one of these meetings to discuss these important issues, we'd probably also have an argument over who could come - elders or bishops, laity or pastors -only. It would be chaos!

Denominations allow us to stop having those same fights each week. We can gather together with like-minded Christians, worship our Lord and Savior, and go about the business of spreading the glorious truth of Jesus Christ and Him crucified for you.

In Christ,

Pastor Ryan