

Maranatha News

JUNE 2026

FROM NIKKI EHRICHS

What is God's will for my life? As the graduation season comes to an end, I'm sure this question has crossed the minds of many students as they walked across the stage and received their diploma and thus begin a new chapter of their lives. But I think it's not just a question that high school graduates wrestle with. There are many times in a person's life where a season comes to an end and new one starts and we struggle with knowing what's next. What is God's will for my life now?

It would be great if God would just write it in the sky exactly what we should do. Or if a clear, loud audible voice would tell us what college to go to, what career path to take, who we should marry, or if we should change jobs and move to a new location. But that isn't the case, or at least that hasn't ever happened to me. But I find it comforting that while what God has planned for our future isn't always crystal clear, scripture tells us some things that are God's will for our lives.

In one of our high school Sunday school classes in May, we discussed that sometimes it can be helpful to focus on what we do know instead of what we don't. We know God wants us to be saved. 1 Timothy 2:4 says "(God) desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." We also know that it is not God's will that we continue in sin (Romans 6), but rather that we would be sanctified. God wants us to grow in our faith and love for him and allow him to transform us and make us more and more like his Son.

We may not know what will happen next month, year, or even tomorrow for that matter. But we do know that God does not want us to live in fear of the future. As Christians, because of Jesus' resurrection, we have "an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you." (1 Peter 1:4). Our inheritance and our eternity are secure.

It is God's will that we praise him. The psalms say "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! (Psalm 150:6) We also know that we are to be joyful, prayerful, and thankful. "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1Thessalonians 5:16-18)

It is God's will that we are making disciples as we wait for Jesus' 2nd coming. It doesn't matter your age, vocation, or location. We can be intentional toward making disciples even if we haven't yet figured out what job or career God has called us to. Making disciples is God's will for every believer at every stage in life, wherever life may take us.

This is by no means an exhaustive list. When we find ourselves uncertain of what God's will is for our life in a particular area, we can find comfort and direction in knowing that God has given us clear leading, guiding and instruction for numerous facets of doing his will.

COUNCIL MINUTES

Maranatha Free Lutheran Church – Glyndon, MN

Council Meeting

May 13, 2026, 7:00pm

Present: Kristine Quanbeck, Glenn Urlacher, Pastor Josh Johnson, Carol Johnson, Rochelle Olson, Chanyce Dahl & Pastor Quanbeck.

Glenn opened the meeting with prayer.

Secretary's report was read by Chanyce and approved.

Treasurer's report was given by Kristine. April contributions were \$25,977 and expenditures were \$29,184. The General Fund balance is \$83,794. Lent offering was \$3,276, which will go into the Maranatha mission fund. Carol made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Rochelle 2nd/C.

Board Reports:

Board of Finance – Amanda Larson

- Reminded when giving online to watch for scam emails.
- Any lay men that will be filling the pulpit in Ulen will be paid by Ulen.

Board of Trustees – No one from board present

- They are working on the AC in the education wing

Board of Worship – Carol Johnson

- Confirmation went really well.
- The piano tuner came on May 4th and tuned the short grand in the sanctuary. It should be tuned once a year. The cost was \$250 because it needed extra adjustments. If the other pianos are to be tuned in the future it will be \$125 each.
- Senior recognition is this Sunday (May 17th). There are 12 seniors. They will receive corsages and will have pictures taken with their quilts graciously donated by the church quilters.

Board of Education – Rochelle Olson

- The board would like to do something with Dilworth Loco Daze this year since that is before VBS.
- May 17th end of year pot-blessing. Craig Hurner & Dave Jensen will grill hot dogs and burgers.
- The Sunday school kids sang on Mother's Day.
- VBS -Katie Johnson & Emily Lloyd have agreed to Co-direct. Most station leaders are in place.

Board of Deacons – Glenn Urlacher

- Annual Conference is coming up.
- There is one more Sunday school class on the Principles of AFLC.
- We received a flyer and invite to attend the "Rekindle the Fire" presentation at St. Paul's Free Lutheran on June 9th.
- The deacon board has committed to provide preaching once a month in Ulen.

Pastor Quanbeck

- Great reports on confirmation. Many great comments from catechization.
- New members Sunday will be moved to May 31st.
- There will be a baptism for Lane & Katlynn Alm's baby, Mack Lloyd Alm.
- Everyone is encouraged to attend the annual conference when you can. There is no cost to attend the evening services.

Line-Up for evening speakers 7pm:

Wednesday Evening – Terry Olson (ordination service)

Thursday Evening – Matt Pillman

Friday Evening – Nathan Dalager

- At the Annual Conference a report on divorce and re-marriage will be reviewed.

Old Business – None

New Business –

- There was a motion to give \$500 to the AFLC to help offset the Annual Conference expenses for refreshments. Motion 2nd by Carol/C
- Glenn is part of an opposing group to the possible casino that may be built in Clay County. He inquired if our church building could be a venue to host a town hall meeting to inform the public of what may be coming. A motion was made by Rochelle to have a town hall meeting at Maranatha with security provided. Carol 2nd/C.

Prayer requests were taken.

Pastor Quanbeck closed in prayer.

Carol made a motion to adjourn; all were in favor.

Next meeting will be on June 17th at 7pm

Respectfully submitted by Chanyce Dahl, Secretary



VBS 2026

Ulen

Sun. - Thurs.
August 2-6
6-8pm

Glyndon

Mon. - Fri.
August 3-7
9am-Noon

WORKDAYS IN JUNE:

Glyndon – Wed. June 24, 10-2, lunch provided

Ulen – Thurs. June 25 at 11am



WMF NOTES

(Women's Missionary Federation)

Glyndon Morning

Morning WMF met May 12, with 13 ladies in attendance. Dianne Wolla opened with prayer and led our Bible study on "I Believe - God is my Creator: My Life is Purposed, not Pointless.

President Cris Finstrom opened the business meeting with prayer. Secretary's report and Treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Old Business:

- We made 105 baked potato bags on April 24th. We will meet again on May 22nd to make 70 more.

New Business:

- Joan made a motion, Jeanie 2nd, to give \$100 to World Missions.
- Terrie met a woman from Alliance Family Services that has a similar mission to Women's Care Center in the West Fargo area. They may be a possibility to support.

Meeting was adjourned and concluded with prayer requests and prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Urlacher, Secretary



Glyndon Evening

Evening WMF met on May 19 at Pat Palloch's home. 6 lovely ladies were present. Vice President, Janet Boe, prayed and led our Bible study, "I Believe God is My Creator".

Janet led our business meeting. Secretary and Treasurer reports were given and approved.

Old business:

- May 22 is next sewing day on potato pockets for WMF Day at annual conference.
- More information will be in the bulletin and newsletter concerning joint WMF Bible study at Wilderness Camp in June.

New business:

- \$50.00 towards Home Missions.
- \$50.00 towards World Missions.
- 2" Thinking of you" cards going out .

Prayer requests were shared and prayed over. Next meeting will be June 16th at 11:30pm at Wilderness Bible Camp.

Respectfully submitted by Coco Geray, Secretary

WMF at Wilderness Bible Camp

Tuesday, June 16th

11:30pm

Meet for Bible study and bring your bag lunch.

Dessert and fruit will be provided.

All women and girls of all ages are invited to attend!

Ulen

Our Ulen WMF met Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 1:00pm with 6 ladies present. MaryAnn W. led us in our Bible Study. MaryAnn W. opened our business meeting and Ellen read the Secretary's Report. Debi made a motion to accept as read and Mary Ann S. second. Ellen read the Treasurer's Report in Dianne's absence. Naomi made a motion to accept as read and Mary Ann S. second the motion.

Old Business:

- The plans for the 20-year Anniversary on June 21st are coming along very well. Kathy is working on a video for the day as well.

New Business:

- Our May Project of the Month is for World Missions.

Looking Ahead:

- We are collecting items for the Women's Care Center this month and will drop off when complete.
- The WMF Day at the Annual Conference is Wednesday, June 10th so our June Bible study and meeting will be moved to Wednesday, June 17th and will be held at Viking Manor.

We closed with several prayer requests and the Lord's Prayer before we had a delicious dessert provided by Dianne.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Zillmer, Secretary



WMF DAY 2026

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Concordia College | Moorhead, MN

WMF Day Schedule

8:15-8:50 a.m. | Check-In

9:00 a.m. | Morning Session

12:00 p.m. | WMF Luncheon

1:00 p.m. | Afternoon Session

3:00 p.m. | WMF Business Meeting

Thursday Events

7:30 a.m. | WMF Breakfast

7:00 p.m. | Mission Festival

For more information and to register click below or go to : aflc.org/women/wmf-day/



Maranatha Free Lutheran Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ while we wait for his return.

20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, June 21st 2026

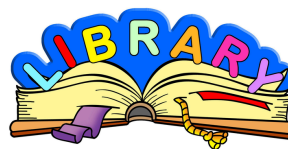
Worship Service 9:00am
Cake & Fellowship following
Video of memories

Join us in the celebration

29 1st St. NW Ulen, MN



"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or understand, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen."
Ephesians 3: 20-21



GLYNDON LIBRARY BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR JUNE

ADULT FICTION: From Susan K. Downs & Susan May Warren: *The Heirs of Anton Series*.

- 1) Ekaterina
- 2) Nadia
- 3) Marina
- 4) The Sovereign's Daughter (Oksana)

International Conspiracy, Unexpected Treasure & The Powerful Story of Family...watch the pieces of God's perfect plan connect when one woman begins a search for answers in Russia.

ADULT FICTION: *The Songbird of Hope Hill* by Kim Vogel Sawyer, is an unforgettable story of God's grace and redemption. This is a stand alone title.

ADULT NON-FICTION: *The Holy Spirit* by Billy Graham. An older book on our shelves who's chapters include: - Who Is the Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit & Salvation
- Baptism with the Spirit
- The Seal, Pledge & Witness of the Holy Spirit
- Gifts of the Spirit



SURE HOPE

AFLC Annual Conference 2026

Date: June 10 -13, 2026
Theme: "Sure Hope" - Philippians 1:6
Location: Concordia College | Moorhead, MN

All from Maranatha are welcome to attend!

Registration Fees:

Single Conference Registration - \$55
Couple Conference Registration - \$95
Teens and Children – Free

Important Dates:

Online Registration Deadline: May 31
Walk-Up Registration: Available during select hours at Conference.
Walk-Up Pricing: Single Registration: \$65 || Couple Registration: \$105

Meal Registration:

Meal registration deadline: May 31 (Payment due at that time).

Evening Worship Services:

Open to all (registered & non-registered) at 7pm Wed-Fri at Concordia College



For more information and to register
GO HERE or go to: aflc.org/conference/



REKINDLE THE FIRE

LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR TO CHRIST

Join us in Fargo, ND, for this free event focusing on empowering lay leaders in our congregations and communities — and invite others to come!

This year, Rekindle the Fire will feature two sessions with Pastor Tom Parrish, each providing tools for building relationships that can lead to gospel conversations:

- *Loving Your Neighbor through Intentional Listening*
- *Loving Your Neighbor through Responsive Conversations*

Register at aflc.org/evangelism

DETAILS:

Tuesday, June 9, 2:30pm start
Childcare provided on-site
Dinner included

Address: St. Paul's Free Lutheran Church
2802 12th St S, Fargo, ND 58103

Call or email with questions:
763.545.5631 | evangelism@aflc.org

SALT + TEENS

SaltTeens Summer Kick-Off

Wednesday, June 3rd
6-8.30pm

- Supper included
- Those finishing 6th grade are welcome to join
- Food, Fun & Bible study



YOUTH
WORSHIP
NIGHT

JUNE 17TH
6-8:30PM

FOR SALTTEENS
AND COLLEGE AGE

SUPPER, SINGING,
STUDENT TESTIMONIES

INVITE A FRIEND AND
JOIN US FOR WORSHIP!

SALTTEENS SUMMER EVENTS

Wednesday, July 22nd
6-8:30pm

Fun night of Food, Fellowship,
Games and Bible Study at
Jake & Brittany Pender's Home

August Lake Day!!
Details TBD

FLY BEYOND
2026



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2:4-9

FLY Beyond 2026: Living Stone

July 12-16, 2026

Association Retreat Center, Osceola, WI

CLICK LINK FOR MORE
INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER!



We are excited to welcome the following new members
of Maranatha Free Lutheran Church in Glyndon:

- ~ Dave & Rhonda Freeh
- ~ Kasey & Josie Horn, McKenna & Emmett
- ~ Morgan (Emily) Loyd, Gwen, Monroe & Tallulah
- ~ Rick Myhra
- ~ Emily (Jack) Olek

June ~ Happy Birthday!

Sarah Eckert	June 01
Ashley Trulson	June 01
Dalton Johnson	June 02
Charlotte Johnson	June 03
Taylor Okeson	June 03
Caleb Klemetson	June 04
Mark Scheuring	June 05
Gunner Illies	June 06
Rhonda Rasmussen	June 06
Caedmon Tonneson	June 06
Tim Cin	June 07
Jocie Herzog	June 07
Tristen Olson	June 08
Dan Ebner	June 09
Annika Lambert	June 10
Kennedy Ebner	June 12
Larry Swenson	June 13
Wyatt Mozley	June 14
Eric Skolness	June 15
Pr Peter Ward	June 15
Cathy Bachmeier	June 16
Bodi Dahl	June 16
Ruth Larson	June 17
Larry Davis	June 18
Jarred Johnson	June 19
Chanyce Dahl	June 20
McKenna Horn	June 20
William Trick	June 20
Charlie Toms	June 22
Sophia Fevig	June 23
Dianne Dahl	June 24
Alayna Klemetson	June 24
Keagan Gilbert	June 27
Shane Johnson	June 28
Maggie Mozley	June 28
Trevor Dufault	June 30
Samuel Olson	June 30

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

June ~ Happy Anniversary!

Larry & Shirley Swenson	June 07
Adam & Anne Adrian	June 09
Nathan & Bambi Lambert	June 10
Chris & Tammy Erickson	June 16
Mark & Tammy Fuglie	June 16
Larry & Victoria Mosloff	June 16
Aaron & Kristine Quanbeck	June 17
Jeff & Kirsten Bates	June 22
Derek & Kirsti Heffta	June 22
Mark & Lynn Skansgaard	June 23
Pr Ryan & Liz Tonneson	June 23
Kurt & Danette Trautmann	June 23
Jeff & Nikki Ehrichs	June 24
Chad & Alyssa Johnson	June 24
Daniel & Sally Rugroden	June 24
Dylan & Amber Eckert	June 25
Larry & Lana Davis	June 27
Doug & Tiffany Macziewski	June 27
Corey & Rachel Trick	June 27
Mark & Lenae Harless	June 28



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 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
Isaiah Rice, husband of Katie (Koehler) Rice
Jakob Rolf, grandson of Jim & Mary Rolf

Financial Snapshot - Maranatha Glyndon

30-Apr-26

General Fund			Current Month	Year to Date
Contributions			\$25,977.00	\$113,452
Expenditures			-\$29,184.00	-\$117,353
Surplus / (Shortfall)				\$ (3,901)

4/30/2026

GENERAL FUND INCOME **\$25,977**

Deacons -\$18,393

Education -\$264

Finance -\$5,386

Trustees -\$5,210

Worship & Music \$69

GENERAL FUND EXPENSES **-\$29,184**

Other Income (Rent, Interest) \$26

Transfers between Funds/ Other Expenses -\$539

General Fund Balance Change **-\$3,720**

GENERAL FUND BALANCE				\$83,794
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<u>Special Funds</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Building / Emergency Fund	519.1		\$ 8,220
Christmas Eve			\$ -
Designated Donations			\$ (0)
Furnace Fund			\$ 13,407
Good Samaritan Fund		-190.94	\$ 4,332
Lent Offering	485	-3276	\$ (0)
Memorial Fund			\$ 10,437
Men's Fellowship/Breakfast		-31	\$ 1,078
Outreach Ministries			\$ 0
Sunday Fellowship Fund			\$ 469
Sunday School Missions	33		\$ 628
Thanksgiving Offering			\$ -
Trail Life	180		\$ 180
Vacation Bible School			\$ -
VBS Blanket Project			\$ -
Wedding Fund			\$ 500
Wednesday Suppers	1076	-882	\$ 4,976
World Missions Fund	3276		\$ 8,626
Youth Activities Fund	20		\$ 852
Youth Community Outreach			\$ 1,442
Youth FLY Fund	146		\$ 5,717
Special Funds Balance			\$ 60,864
General Fund Balance			\$ 83,794
CHECKBOOK BALANCE			\$ 144,768
PETTY CASH BALANCE			\$ 20

Detailed expense reports are available in the Glyndon office.

Questions can be directed to Kristine Quanbeck - Treasurer

treasurer@maranathafreelutheran.com

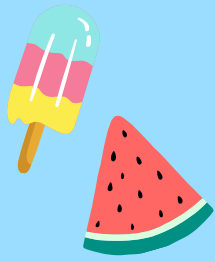
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JUNE 2026 @ GLYNDON



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 8:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YMT Meeting 9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service 5:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Adult Fellowship 	1	2 10:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning WMF at church 	3 6:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SaltTeens Summer Kick-Off 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deacon Meeting 	4 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home 	5	6 7:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Fellowship Breakfast
7 9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service w/ communion 	8	9	10 NO SaltTeens	11	12	13 7:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Fellowship Breakfast
AFLC Annual Conference at Concordia College						
7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evening (Ordination) Service 				7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evening (Missions) Service 		7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evening (Communion) Service
14 9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service 	15	16 11:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WMF at Wilderness Camp (All women and girls of all ages are invited!) 	17 10:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YOUTH WORSHIP NIGHT (includes supper) 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Meeting 	18 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home 	19	20 7:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Fellowship Breakfast
21 Father's Day 9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service 	22	23 10am-3pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilting at church 	24 10:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Bible Study 10am-2pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VBS Workday (lunch provided) 6:00-8:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SaltTeens 	25 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home 	26	27 7:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Fellowship Breakfast
28 9:30am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service 11:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congregational Meeting Young Adults Fellowship	29	30	1 10:00am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:30pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SaltTeens 	2	3	4



JUNE 2026 @ ULEN



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 10:00am • Worship Service Dinner to follow in honor of Wards	1 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	2	3	4 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	5	6
7 9:00am • Worship Service w/communion	8 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	9	10 9:00-11:00am • MOPS	11 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	12	13
AFLC Annual Conference at Concordia College						
14 9:00am • Worship Service Council meeting following	15 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	16	17 1:00pm • WMF at Viking Manor	18 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders	19	20
21 Father's Day 9:00am • Worship Service & 20 th anniversary of Maranatha-Ulen Cake & Fellowship following 	22 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	23	24	25 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders 11:00am • VBS Workday	26	27
28 9:00am • Worship Service	29 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	30	1	2 9:30-10:30am • Bone Builders	3	4

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

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