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August 2023 Newsletter



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

Members of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations



August 2023 @ Ulen



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|-----|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|---|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 4 | 5 |
| 6 9:00am Worship Service | 7 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 8 | 9 9:00-11:00am MOPS | 10 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 11 | 12 |
| 13 9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Council Meeting | 14 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders 7:00pm WMF | 15 | 16 | 17 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 18 | 19 Ulen Days 9:30am Class Reunion Brunch- WMF serving |
| 20 9:00am Worship Service | 21 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 22 | 23 | 24 9:30-10:30am Bone Builders | 25 | 26 |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|-----|---|---|---|--|---|
| | | 1 | 2 6:00-8:38pm SaltTeens | 3 7:00pm Deacons Meeting 7:00pm Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home | 4 SaltTeens Valley Fair Trip Aug 4-6 | 5 7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast |
| 6 9:30am Worship Service w/Communion | 7 | 8 10:30am Morning WMF | 9 6:00-8:38pm SaltTeens 7:00pm Church Council | 10 7:00pm Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home | 11 | 12 7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast |
| 13 9:30am Worship Service | 14 | 15 10:00am-3:00pm Quilting at the church 7:00pm Evening WMF | 16 6:00-8:38pm SaltTeens | 17 7:00pm Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home | 18 | 19 7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast |
| 20 9:30am Worship Service | 21 | 22 | 23 6:00-8:38pm SaltTeens | 24 7:00pm Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home | 25 | 26 7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast Wilderness Family Camp August 26-27 |
| 27 9:30am Worship Service 11:00am Camp Worship Service NOON—Camp Potluck | 28 | 29 | 30 No SaltTeens | 31 7:00pm Bible Study at Pat Johnson's home | 1 | 2 7:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast |

**Maranatha Free Lutheran Church
Glyndon, MN**

| Financial Snapshot - Maranatha Glyndon | | | |
|---|--|---------------|--------------|
| as of 06-30-23 | | | |
| | | | |
| General Fund | | Current Month | Year to Date |
| Contributions | | \$25,542.00 | \$156,181 |
| Expenditures | | -\$25,344.00 | -\$170,645 |
| Surplus / (Shortfall) | | | \$ (14,464) |

| | 6/30/2023 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| GENERAL FUND INCOME | \$25,542 |
| Deacons | -\$15,737 |
| Education | -\$343 |
| Finance | -\$4,318 |
| Trustees | -\$4,033 |
| Worship & Music | -\$913 |
| GENERAL FUND EXPENSES | -\$25,344 |
| Other Income (Rent, Interest, etc) | \$45 |
| General Fund Balance Change | \$243 |

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|-----------------------------|--|--|-----------------|
| GENERAL FUND BALANCE | | | \$58,753 |
|-----------------------------|--|--|-----------------|

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 | | | \$ 14,353 |
| Christmas Eve | | | \$ - |
| Cookbook Sales for Missions | | | \$ 210 |
| Designated Donations | | | \$ 420 |
| Good Samaritan Fund | 10 | | \$ 2,315 |
| Holiday Baskets | | | \$ 1,442 |
| Lent Offering | | | \$ - |
| Memorial Fund | 100 | | \$ 8,250 |
| Men's Fellowship | 50 | | \$ 1,822 |
| Men's Fraternity | | | \$ - |
| Outreach Ministries | | | \$ 166 |
| Sunday Fellowship Fund | | | \$ 467 |
| Sunday School Missions | | | \$ 290 |
| Trails End Ranch | | | \$ - |
| VBS Blanket Project | 40 | | \$ 560 |
| Wedding Fund | | | \$ - |
| Wednesday Suppers | | | \$ 2,450 |
| World Missions Fund | 5 | | \$ 7,782 |
| Youth Activities Fund | 450 | | \$ 3,934 |
| Youth FLY Fund | 1,422 | | \$ 12,063 |
| Special Funds Balance | | | \$ 75,619 |
| General Fund Balance | | | \$ 58,753 |
| CHECKBOOK BALANCE | | | \$ 134,352 |
| 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*

Birthdays

August ~ Happy Birthday!

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Peter Habedank | August 01 |
| Annie Rognlie | August 01 |
| Gabriel Olek | August 02 |
| Trent Dufault | August 03 |
| Carter Schmidt | August 03 |
| Amy Menholt | August 04 |
| Kenton Chromey | August 05 |
| Mary Beth Fevig | August 05 |
| Kelly Higgins | August 05 |
| Brian Dahl | August 06 |
| Christopher Nelson | August 06 |
| Sierra Northridge | August 06 |
| Dean Cin | August 09 |
| Wendy Fevig | August 10 |
| Cianna Gilbert | August 10 |
| Avery Austinson-Schultz | August 11 |
| Oliver Trick | August 11 |
| Samantha Zimmerman | August 11 |
| Ella Sivertson | August 12 |
| Bonita Chromey | August 13 |
| Zach Schneidermann | August 13 |
| Ronan John | August 14 |
| John Austinson | August 15 |
| Bob Jenson | August 16 |
| Noah Klemetson | August 17 |
| Kaylie Macziewski | August 17 |
| Carmen Nelson | August 17 |
| Elijah Gallagher | August 18 |
| Vickie Haverkamp | August 18 |
| Sara Dravland | August 19 |
| Bruce Wolla | August 19 |
| Nicolette Jensen | August 20 |
| Leah Lunde | August 21 |
| Paisley Lunde | August 21 |
| Allan Gwin | August 22 |
| Bobby Olson | August 22 |
| Tim Schlauderaff | August 22 |
| Liz Walker | August 22 |
| Angie Guscette | August 23 |
| Scott Ladwig | August 23 |
| Autumn Schlauderaff | August 23 |
| Gerrie Payne | August 26 |
| Mary Ann Ward | August 26 |
| Annika Baer | August 27 |
| Max Okke | August 28 |
| Courtney Habedank | August 30 |
| Todd Scheuring | August 30 |
| Lana Davis | August 31 |
| Elaine Gullick | August 31 |
| Julie Johnson | August 31 |



Anniversaries

August ~ Happy Anniversary!

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Justin & Sarah Okeson | August 02 |
| Matt & Melody Okke | August 07 |
| Dean & June Cin | August 10 |
| Micah & Ashley (Feist) Blake | August 11 |
| Stan & Jeanie Rasmussen | August 12 |
| Pastor Lloyd & Jean Quanbeck | August 15 |
| Eric & Vanessa Skolness | August 16 |
| Jon & Diane Rosenfeldt | August 17 |
| Ryan & Amy Menholt | August 22 |
| Charlie & Jill Toms | August 23 |
| Bill & Joy Dale | August 25 |
| Mark & Jenifer Spielman | August 25 |
| Jake & Sheila Murack | August 26 |
| Will & Tammy Oswald | August 28 |

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
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



Grieving a loss? Find hope and healing after the death of a loved one.

Join a weekly grief support group

St. Paul's Free Lutheran Church

2802 12th St. S, Fargo

Thursdays 3:30-5:00pm.

August 17-November 9.

(You may begin attending at any point, and may attend any or all sessions)

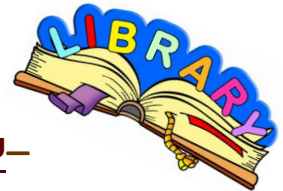
For Help/Questions, call or text:

Pastor Jim Fugleberg—701-388-0673 or

Linda Fugleberg—701-388-0671

Registration: Call one of the numbers above or go to griefshare.org and click on "Find a Group."

Registration and Workbook provided at No



GLYNDON LIBRARY—

BOOK SUGGESTIONS FOR AUGUST:

Kids:

"**Finding Gobi**", by Dion Leonard, will have kids cheering all the way to the finish line as it shows that friendship comes in all shapes and sizes.

Adult Fiction:

New Author, Liz Tolsma, meshes 2 lifetimes into one story. 1941 Greece is being invaded by Nazis, and 2019, a college student who surprisingly finds out she is a Greek Sephardic Jew. "**What I Would Tell You**" is a story of a woman's dream that has become her worst nightmare.

Adult Fiction:

"**The Doctor's Lady**", by Jody Hedlund, is about a woman that knew God wanted her to be a missionary, not a wife. Then the missionary board declares the only way she can serve is to be married. This story takes place in the 1800's.

GREETERS!

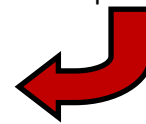
There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for August & September. Please sign up!

Start at 9:00am Sunday Mornings.

A grandfather was delivering his grandchildren to their home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. "They use him to keep crowds back," said one child. "No," said another. "He's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close. "They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrants."



Wilderness Bible Camp is located @
12220 Co Hwy 5
Lake Park, MN 56554
(Township of Cormorant, MN)



Maranatha Weekend at AFLC Wilderness Bible Camp

Saturday-Sunday, August 26-27

We hope you all can join us for this weekend of fun and fellowship!! This event is open to all families and individuals - regardless of how old you may feel! Whether you want to stay in the dorms, your RV/camper, or pitch a tent, there is plenty of room for everyone! We'll share supper on Saturday night & breakfast on Sunday together. Following the Sunday morning worship service (at Wilderness), lunch will be an all-church potluck! Registration is not required, but if you wouldn't mind giving a heads up, we can adequately prepare food.

<https://forms.gle/vpUrGGXfr3zxn5gu8>

WMF NOTES

(Women's Missionary Federation)

Glyndon Morning WMF

Morning WMF met on July 11, 2023 with 12 ladies present.

Ardis Johnson opened with prayer and led the Bible Study *Naomi, Where You Go, I Go, a lesson in relationships.*

The secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved.

Old Business: None

New Business:

-Motion made and approved to give \$100 to home missions.

We closed with prayers.

Submitted by: Lila Ebner, Secretary



Glyndon Evening WMF

Evening WMF met on July 18th at Maranatha Church. Coco provided snacks and led our Bible study on *Naomi*. 6 lovely ladies were present. Janet led us in prayer before leading our business meeting. The secretary and treasurer reports were read and accepted.

Old Business:

-Bags were assembled and prayed over and given to students who left for FLY.

New Business:

-Motion was made and approved to give \$50.00 to Home Missions.

-Plans for Operation Christmas Child boxes are in the works.

Prayer requests were given and prayed over. Next meeting will be August 15th at Joyce Johnson's home.

Respectfully submitted by: Coco Geray

Ulen WMF

Our Ulen WMF met Monday, July 10th at 7pm with 6 ladies present. Maryann Ward led our bible study on *Naomi*. Maryann W. served a delicious lunch as she conducted our business meeting.

The Secretary & Treasurer's Reports were approved as read.

Tomorrow night we host at the Wilderness Camp serving refreshments. We will plan to set up at 7pm with the service at 7:30. VBS is coming up July 24-28th and we will be finishing projects and decorating this Friday at 9am.

The class reunion to be held at our church during Ulen Days on August 19th will start at 9:30am and they are estimating 20 people to attend.

It was decided to purchase our additional water pitchers at Culinex so they match our others. Ellen will pick up 6 more.

New Business:

Our WMF project offering of \$50 this month will go to Home Missions.

There will be a crew here from the Clay County Work Release program August 7-8th doing some outside church projects. The group could bring their own lunch with or we could serve them. Nothing was decided at this point.

Motion was made to adjourn by Ellen and second by Dianne.

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

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Zillmer, Secretary

SERVING GROUP 2 ~ Glyndon

Attention: Ladies of Serving Group 2. We will be responsible for **servicing the months of August & September**. A sign-up sheet is posted in the kitchen—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 servicing 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.

**Maranatha Free Lutheran Church—Ulen
Council Minutes**

Council Meeting July 9, 2023

Next meeting August 13, 2023 after church

Present: Dave, Gary N, Megan, Ben, Jessie, Bob, John

1. Call to order – Ben
 2. Devotions & Prayer - Jessie
Next meeting - Jessie
 3. Minutes read from last meeting - Jessie
Motion to accept by Dave 2nd by Bob
 4. Treasure's Report – Megan (June)
\$75 memorial (for Kay Spielman)
Pastor's expenses are different than Pulpit fill
CD – should we auto-renew? 13 weeks/100k/ if
still 4% let it renew Megan will adjust
spreadsheet to include previous year(s)
running total (YTD) so we can compare
Motion to accept by Gary N, 2nd Dave
 5. Pastor Report -
Wilderness Camp is this week
 6. Deacons report -
Deacons met & elected officers
Gary is creating a booklist in the library for mem-
bers who wish to deepen their faith and learn more
on the AFLC
Motion to accept by Bob, 2nd by John
 7. Trustees report -
John will get salt for softener
Carpet Clean Date 8/7-8/8
Dave will look into rescheduling so it's
not the same day as work release work day
Work Release 8/7-8/8
Seal back parking lot, Paint side wall,
Paint curb, etc.
Motion to accept Gary N, 2nd Bob
 8. Worship & Music - None
 9. Christian Ed – Bob
7/14 -finish projects and decorate day
St Paul's donated decorations
Ok'd to give love donation to volunteers
Motion to accept Bob, 2nd by John
 10. Special Reports – None
 11. Old Business - Ben
Someone needs to meet clay county work release
people here for guidance
Ben/Greg will meet
Scholarship application -tabled till next month
Motion to approve John, 2nd Dave
 12. New Business – None
- Adjourn – motioned Dave, 2nd John
Jessie- closed in prayer

Respectfully Submitted by Ellen Zillmer

**Maranatha Free Lutheran Church – Glyndon
Council Meeting**

July 19, 2023, 7:00pm

Present: Chad Johnson, Todd Rasmussen, Jeff Ehrichs,
Glenn Urlacher, Carla Hurner, and Alyssa Johnson

Glenn opened the meeting with prayer.

Secretary's report of May meeting minutes was read by
Alyssa. Jeff made a motion to approve the minutes as
read, seconded by Todd; motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given by Todd. Reported June 2023
income as \$25,542 and expenses of \$25,344. Recom-
menced for Boards to review their year-to-date budgets. A
motion was made by Chad to approve the financial report,
seconded by Jeff; motion carried.

Board Reports:

Finance – Todd

- Annual raises are approved annually at January Congre-
gational meeting after the first of year. Recommend raises
to start February 1st or approve at November Congrega-
tional meeting. Will discuss next month at Council
meeting.

Trustees – Jeff

- Painting continues

* Two 85" TVs to be placed in Sanctuary after painted

- Updating water fountain

- Jack Olek and Ryan Buchfink donating time/supplies for
new landscaping

Education – Carla

- Preparing for VBS 7/24-7/28 – Chanyce Dahl and Brittany
Pender are co-chairs

* 16 youth and many adult volunteers

- Fall Sunday School planning – many teachers returning

- Nikki Ehrichs to lead Kid's Club in fall

Worship & Music – No update

Deacons – Chad

- No updates

Pastor Report – No update

Old Business:

- Trustees will measure one Sunday school room for tables
– will remove desks and add tables to allow room to be a
flexible space for an additional meeting room

New Business:

- None

Glenn closed meeting in prayer

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chad, se-
conded by Jeff; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Alyssa Johnson



Twists & Turn VBS was a huge success! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to all our volunteers. We are truly blessed at Maranatha to have so many willing volunteers who want to serve and share the love of Jesus!

At VBS we focused on 'Jesus is Holy', 'Jesus is Trustworthy', "Jesus is Forgiving", 'Jesus is Worth Following', and 'Jesus is for Everyone'. Following Jesus Changes Everything! Praise the Lord for this good News!

Twists & Turns is based on the simple idea that the game of life doesn't have to be impossible. We know the one who changes everything and his name is JESUS!

Thank you for investing in the lives of these youth!

Shout out to ALL THESE SUPER STAR VOLUNTEERS!

Covenant Team: Tristan, Kiana, Erica, & Trevor did an amazing job loving and sharing the good news of Jesus!

VBS Volunteers:

Directors:

Chanyce Dahl & Brittany Pender

Registration:

Carla Hurner & Joyce Johnson

Kitchen (Skip Ahead Snacks):

Janet Boe, Carol Johnson, Joan Pake, Mary Rolf, Martha Sanger, Jill Toms, Loretta Tweten, Liz Walker & Dianne Wolla

Wild Card Crafts:

Stephanie Dahl, Brittany Pender & Keziah Quanbeck

Ready Set Rec:

Nikki Ehrichs & Jed Toms

Blanket Mission:

Lila Ebner, Jan Haaland, Liz Tonneson & Karen Urlacher

Youth Group Helpers:

Addie Ehrichs, Brodey Johnson, Clay Johnson, Dawson Johnson, Savannah Johnson, Titus Johnson, Aubrey Lambert, Anna Murack, Bailey Murack, Taylor Okeson, Harper Schmidt & Isabel Toms

Nursery:

Ruth Larson

Sound System:

Isaiah Quanbeck

Decorating:

Chanyce Dahl, Jan Haaland, Carla Hurner, Ardis (Johnson) Haarstad, Carol Johnson, Joyce Johnson, Ruth Larson, Cliff & Mary Langerud, & Art & Delores Welle

VACATION TIME

Vacation time is here once more,
With all its joy and thrills;
The time to scale the mountain heights
And roam the lovely hills;
The time to go down to the beach
And learn to fish and swim;
But let's not forget the Lord of all
And what we owe to him.



Vacation time is the time to rest
To relax and be at ease,
To forget our worries and cares
And do just what we please.
"Tis true our bodies need some rest,
From worry, work and care.
But let's remember God each day
And go to Him in prayer.

Our bodies need our constant care
To keep them fit and trim;
But God alone can help the soul
So let us trust in Him.
And as we seek for fun and ease
Our bodies to renew.
Let's draw yet closer to the Lord
Who dies for me and you.



W.G.Estes



SaltTeens summer schedule continues! Join us from **6:00-8:38pm** as we enjoy food, activities, and time in God's Word. *All students 7-12 Grade are welcome!*

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Our weekend in the Cities is quickly approaching! During **August 4-6**, we'll enjoy Valleyfair and take in a Twins game! If you are going, please be at Maranatha by 6:30p on Friday, August 4. Be sure to bring a sleeping bag, pillow, and towel (as we'll be staying in an unfurnished house). If you want to do the water park in Valleyfair, please bring a modest swimsuit. We'll return to Glyndon by 8:00p on Sunday.



FROM PASTOR PETER...

When two Christians sit in conversation these days, often the conversation's demeanor will turn to heaviness because of all that is going on in the world today, both far off and closer to home. Try as we might to bar it out, the killer of joy invades our conversations - worry, or what some of us try to disguise as "being concerned".

There's the story told of two retired friends who met daily at a local coffee shop to discuss the world's problems and vent their never-ending list of worries stemming from those issues. That is, until one Monday morning one of them walked in with a smile on his face, an off-pitch whistle on his lips and a distinct joy in his spirit. His bewildered buddy wondered where Mr. Sunshine had come from and asked why the change. The joy-filled man confidently stated he was no longer plagued by worry. Over the weekend he had hired someone willing to do his worrying for him. His only regret was not having thought of this sooner in life. In this new arrangement, all he had to do was pay the 'hired worrier' \$500 a month to do all his worrying on his behalf. His bewildered friend yet burdened with worry asked how he planned to come up with the \$500 per month on a fixed retirement income. The unshackled buddy simply replied, "That's for him to worry about."

Wouldn't it be wonderful if life were as simple as having someone else worry for you? Wouldn't it be even better if there were no cause for worry at all. According to Lina Berg, that's the world your Savior has created for you: "Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear." Day by Day. It's not that we don't have our troubles and hardships – with Jesus at the helm, we just don't have to allow them to be lord over us.

Worry, that anxious human response from not knowing what lies ahead or how things might turn out. The problem is our willingness to surrender our own peace of mind as an investment to change the outcome of something over which we have no control or influence. Evangelist, Dr. D. James Kennedy referred to worry as the interest amount one pays on a loan that was never taken out of the bank.

Though none of us would rank worry on the same level as murdering our neighbor, it does serious damage by killing the joy in our relationship with Jesus Christ. The subliminal message we send to the Lord with our worry is either He is not capable of being my Provider (unaware of or unable to meet my needs) or is not interested in providing for all of my needs, including the emotional ones. Worry is the door cracked open just enough to reveal that same wrongful attitude that existed in the heart of the elder brother in Jesus' parable of the prodigal son: "God owes me something, so why am I not getting it."

Each time we worry, we are overlooking our worth in God's eyes. Jesus prescribes this as the preventative treatment against worry with His question in Matthew 6:26, "Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?". Can I know that I am worth more? That answer can only be answered when standing before the Cross of Calvary. There the full value of my worth was put on display. The cross of Jesus Christ is the foundation upon which we can believe the Spirit inspired promise written by the Apostle Paul: "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (Philippian 4:19).

Our Redeemer has not saved us to walk this life in worry, but He has called us to peace, "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good of those who love God, to those who are called according to purpose." (Romans 8:28) It doesn't cost \$500 per month. It is given freely in Christ Jesus.

Pastor Peter