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Gustaf Adolf Lutheran Church Gwinner, North Dakota

APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER







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April 7 - Holy Humor Worship Service

April 14- Men's Group Burger/Brat Feed 11:00 – 12:30pm, Free-Will.

April 21 - Deacon Erin Powers from the EaND Synod will be preaching. Join us for worship followed by fellowship and great conversation.

"God Pause"

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, Verse²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Verse²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Verse²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

DEVOTION

In writing to the Christians at Corinth, Paul makes a point to remind them of the Lord's Supper, and urges them not only to remember the supper, but to celebrate it and to pass it along to future generations. Already, some 25 years after that event, Paul remembers that this good news was handed on to him, just as he in turn handed it on to the Corinthians. Like the lambs' blood on the doorposts at Passover, the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper are a repeated reminder of the depth and breadth of God's love for us. We too are reminded to pass this good news on to others, to share with them the never-failing love of God, especially through the sharing of bread and wine, the body and blood of Christ. This is the covenant, the eternal agreement that God has given us, through Jesus.

PRAYER

Make us mindful, O Lord, of the covenant that you made with us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Every time we eat and drink, Christ is with us through bread and wine. Amen.

Mark GranquistLloyd and Annelotte Svendsbye Professor of the History of Christianity, Luther Seminary

A daily devotion brought to you by the alumni of Luther Seminary

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April 03: No Confirmation

April 07: Worship 9:30 am with Communion, Holy Humor Sunday—Pastor Jaime

April 10: Church Council Meeting

April 10: Confirmation

April 11: Ruth Circle at 2:30 PM

April 14: Worship 9:30 am with Communion, Make-A-Change Sunday, Baptism—Pastor Jaime

April 14: Burger and Brat feed 11:00-12:30. Free Will

April 17: Confirmation

April 21: Worship 9:30 am with Communion—Deacon Erin Powers

April 22: May Newsletter Deadline

April 24: Altar Guild Meeting 5:30PM

April 24: Confirmation

April 27: Church Council Retreat

April 28: Worship 9:30 am with Communion—Pastor Jaime

<u>Venmo:</u> GA Church now was Venmo! If you would like to use Venmo to place your Weekly/ Monthly/Annual Offerings please do so!! Our account is @GustafAdolf-LutheranChurch or scan the QR Code. Thank you!



<u>Bulletin Donation Sheet:</u> The bulletin donation sheet for the 2024 church season is on the table in the Narthex. If you would like to donate/sponsor a bulletin for a Sunday please mark it down and get your payments to Carrili. Bulletin donations are \$15.00 per Sunday. Thank you for your support.

<u>Council Members:</u> GA Would like to welcome to the council our newly elected Church Council members Kirstin Kempel and Sharon Beckstrom.

WELCOME: GA would like to welcome the newest baptized member of GA Church, Benett Brintnell, baptized March 30th. May God bless you as you travel your faith journey.

<u>Holy Humor Worship Service:</u> Sunday, April 7th - Bring your funny "church appropriate" jokes to share with the assembly during this service filled with laughter and hope as we celebrate the promise of the resurrection and life everlasting.

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Our Sympathies: Go out to the family and friends of: Karen Anderson May God's loving embrace help you through this difficult time, and may the many happy memories ease your pain.

The Gwinner location of the Sargent County Food Pantry **Top Needs: Canned fruits/ veggies, Beans, Soups, Cereal, Paper Products, Hygiene Items, Juice, Condiments, Flour, Sugar, Oil, Pasta.** Monetary donations are also appreciated. Send them to PO Box 101, Forman ND 58032. Monetary donations are used for: vouchers for the grocery store for perishable items. (milk, eggs, butter, bread, cheese, potatoes, fresh vegetables and fruits). Drop off places in Gwinner for non-perishables are GA Lutheran Church, or

Teals Market. You can also drop off items at the Food Pantry, located in the Gwinner. Community Center-104 Main St., every Tuesday, 1:00-4:00pm. Thank you for your continued support and generosity! If you or anyone you know are in need, feel free to stop by the Gwinner location on Tuesdays from 1-4pm and pick up some supplies.

<u>Teals Receipts:</u> YOGA is once again collecting Teals Grocery receipts to turn in to help fund their educational trips & events. If you would like to help them out all you have to do is save your Teals receipts and turn them into the church office. Thank you in advance for your help.

<u>Sunday, April 14th</u> – The Men's Group will be hosting their Annual "**Burger, Brat and Bean Feed"** from 11:00 – 12:30pm. Meal is Free-Will and the Proceeds will be used for a new exterior door in the fellowship room.

<u>Mowing List:</u> The mowing list will be coming out soon! With this extra shot of winter the deadline to let Carrili know if you want to be added and or removed to the list is now April 14th. Thank you in advance for all of your help in keeping the yard at GA church looking great!

Church Finances:

For the Month of February 2024:

No Approved Finances available at time of publication.

2024 Year to Date Giving:

<u>GA 2024 Budget</u>: \$210,770.00 <u>Giving to Date</u>: \$30,073.00

Giving Needed by 12-31-24: \$180,697.00

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Because you give...we worship, fellowship, learn, serve & grow. Thank you for your generosity

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Easter Lily Donations: An Easter Lily was donated by Kirstin & Torey Kempel in Memory of their Grandparents, An Easter Lily was donated by Rosi Odegard in Memory of ElRoy Odegard, An Easter Lily was donated by Torey & Kirstin Kempel in Honor of their Grandson Jack, An Easter Lily was donated by Dan & Stacy McKeever in Memory of Lorie McKeever, An Easter Lily was donated by Dan & Stacy McKeever in Memory of Manny Hegle, An Easter Lily was donated by Kent & Julie Johnson in Memory of their Grandchildren, An Easter Lily was donated by Julie Waswick-Potts in Memory of Corwin Waswick, An Easter Lily was donated by Julie Waswick-Potts in Memory of Mary Lou, An Easter Lily was donated by Miles & Lannae Johnson in Memory of Ardell & Doreen Hansen and Lloyd & Elaine Johnson. An Orange Lily was donated by Brandi & Sam French in Memory of their Daughter, An Orange Begonia was donated by Sharon Beckstrom & Family in Honor of Benett's Baptism and 1st Birthday, and in Memory of Kim & Jeannette Beckstrom, An Easter Lily was donated by Jason & Rachel Nelson in Memory of Grandparents. Thank you to everyone who donated an Easter Lily or plant to help make our worship space beautiful this Easter Season.

Looking Ahead!:

May 05: Confirmation Sunday

May 19: Senior Graduate Sunday

June 1-2: Synod Assembly





March-April Action Group

Co-Chairs: Kris Beck Nancy Wrage Jackie Meyer

Michelle Ciesynski

Betty Johnson

Janae Sherlock

Judy Tyler

Karla Ulven

Shirley Waloch

Kirstin Kempel

Nicki Erickson

Barb Klemetson

Della Teske

Kari Ulven

Patty Ulven

Rhonda Weigelt

Kalea Johnson



April Birthdays

- 1 Karson BeckstromKari GiljePaul White
- 2 Ethan Weigelt
- 3 Nancy ComegysTysen HansenBenjamin Odegard
- 4 Ginny Margolis
- 5 Jaylene Herman
- 6 Kristin Witkowski
- 7 Kris Nerison
- 8 Dawn Anderson
- 9 Jerry Fuss
- 10 Lynn Anderson
- 11 Marah Wittenburg Shalon Benneweis
- 12 Chelsey Anderson Chad Crandall
- 13 Tyler Beckstrom Lynn Jacobson
- 14 Shawn Beck
 Treana Berreth
 Ben Hanson
 Olivia Waswick
 Ken Wiederholt
- 15 La Von Stoppleworth Sawyer Toepke
- 17 Joshua Crellin
 Brandon Holden
 James Johnson
 Sheridan McKeever
- 19 Randy Christensen Jason Nelson
- 20 Jared CrellinEmma OsierCody Huffar
- 21 Chris Tufty
- 22 Marsha Murphy Nancy Wrage





Have you been April Anniversaries

23 Steve Johnson

Kyle Sanchez

25 Rodney Hansen

Joey McGuire

27 Kaitlyn Shockley

28 Kristi Beaver

30 Richard Olson

Max Schroeder

Jaxyn Christensen

Karlie Shockley

26 Val Bjork

Carolyn Klemetson

left out
of the birthday and
anniversary page?

Or is the date always wrong?

If you have noticed any mistakes in the monthly newsletters, please contact the church office at 678-2552 or email us at

galutheranchurch@outlook.com Thanks!

- 02 Rachel & Jason Nelson
- 08 Karla Ulven & Craig Beedy
- 09 Shalon & Darren Benneweis
- 12 Val & Brian Bjork
- 18 Jolene & Tim Christensen
- 19 Darci & Roger AscheKaren & Terry Euscher
- 28 Carolyn & Richard Jacobson

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April Worship Assistants

Communion Assistants

Joan Peterson 2

21 Martin Potts

28 Becky Salberg



Readers

07 Barb Melroe14 Joleen Hardy

21 Julie Johnson

28 Nancy Wrage



Greeters

All Members of GA Are Invited To Welcome our Visitors and Each Other.



Ushers

Timothy & Jessica Peterson

Dennis & Denise Dahl Pete & Janae Sherlock Shawn & Kris Beck



Mowing

Late show of Winter has pushed back

The mowing list. It will be posted after

April 14th.

Sound System

Sound System is now

A Paid Position.

Contact Kris Beck if you are Interested.



<u>Reminder:</u> If you are unable to fulfill your duties it is up to you to find a replacement. Thank you!

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Council Minutes March 2024	
No March council meeting was held, a quorum was not met.	
Next Council Meeting April 10th 2024.	

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	2	3 No Confirma- tion	4 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon	05	06
07 9:30 Worship with Comm Holy Humor	08 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	09	10 Confirmation	11 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon Ruth Circle 2:30	12	13 Hajek Wedding
9:30 Worship with Comm Baptism Make-A-Change Sunday Brat & Burger Feed 11-12:30	15 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	16	17 Confirmation	18 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon Carrili Off	19 Carrili Off	20
9:30 Worship with Comm Deacon Erin Powers	May Newsletter Deadline 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	23	24 Confirmation Altar Guild Mtg 5:30 PM	25 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon	26	27 Church Council Retreat
28 9:30 Worship with Comm	29 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline Jaime Off	30 Jaime Off				

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CUSTODIAN.....TRUDY PETERSON
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