

JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER



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Outdoor Worship

Will be held: **June 9th, June 16th,
June 30th, July 14th, July 21st, July 28th.**

We will worship on the front lawn of the church under the driveway canopy. Chairs will be provided or we invite you to bring your own comfortable chair.

All other Summer dates will be indoor worship.
Worship services will not be live-streamed from June 2 through Labor Day

“God Pause”

Psalm 29

¹Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. ²Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor. ³The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. ⁴The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty. ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon. ⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox. ⁷The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire. ⁸The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁹The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!" ¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever. ¹¹May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

DEVOTION

The power, glory, and majesty of the Lord is visible in nature. It's easy to sense God's power as we see tall trees swaying in the fury of a thunderstorm, backlit with spectacular flashes of lightning, and hear loud thunder booming from the heavens. The glory of the Lord sets the morning sky ablaze, as the sun rises in the east, awakening us to a new day filled with hope and possibilities. The Lord's majesty is evident when eagles soar silently overhead or shooting stars animate the evening sky.

God who created the heavens and the earth called us by name and claimed us as children. Set free from the bondage of sin, having received the gift of grace through faith in Christ Jesus, we are attuned to the blessed Trinity—Father, Son, and Spirit—and enabled to discern the majesty and glory of the Lord that surrounds us, if we but pause, look, and listen.

PRAYER

Loving Lord, we are in awe of your glory and humbled that you have claimed us as your own. Give us the strength to share your peace with others. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Judy Bullock '20 M.Div.Pastor, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Knoxville, TN

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UPCOMING *Mark Your Calendars* EVENTS



June 01: Pastor Jaime at Synod Assembly

June 02: 9:30 am indoor Worship, No Communion—Leader Julie Johnson
Pastor Jaime at Synod Assembly

June 03: Carrili on Vacation Thru June 09

June 09: 9:30 am Outdoor Worship, With Communion—Pastor Jaime

June 11: 6:30 PM Book Study

June 13: Ruth Circle 2:30 pm

June 16: 9:30 am Outdoor Worship, With Communion—Pastor Jaime

June 17: July Newsletter Deadline

June 23: 9:30 am indoor Worship, no Communion—Leader Gretchen Christenson

June 23-27: YOGA Learning & Service Trip to Kentucky, Pastor Jaime co-Leading

June 30: 9:30 am Outdoor Worship, With Communion—Pastor Jaime

Venmo: 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!



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Mowing List: The Mowing list is Out! Members who are on it received an emailed copy. There is also a printed copy hanging on the bulletin board. Thank you to all who volunteer their time and equipment to keep GA Church looking GREAT!



Watering Schedule: To water the newly planted landscaping plants/trees. There is a sheet on the bulletin board by the office. When you come in to water plants please check the sheet prior to watering so you know what needs water and then mark down what was watered so the next person coming in to volunteer knows what plants/trees need attention. This is done on a voluntary basis, so please if you have time, it would be greatly appreciated.



Book Study: Book Study - Our next book is "Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again" by Rachel Held Evans. Get a copy of the book, read it in its entirety, and join us for an inspiring discussion at 6:30 PM Tuesday June 11th.



VBS: Vacation Bible School will be held at GA July 15th-17th 5:30-7:30PM. Open to all ages to attend, ages 3 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. This year's theme: Camp Fire-light - a summer camp adventure with God. The theme verse is "Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you" Psalm 56:3. Kids will explore timeless Bible stories that demonstrate how people trusted God in the face of their own fears and went on to do great things in God's name. Kids will learn ways they can put their trust in God when they are afraid, challenged, or called to do God's work and share the Good News of God's love through Jesus Christ. VBS cost - \$25 individual and \$40 family, payments can be made, with cash, check or Venmo, Online registration is available at

www.galutheranchurch.org

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Our Sympathies : Go out to the family and friends of: Of Those who have lost a loved one, 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 and soups, paper products (toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels), pasta, sugar, cooking oil. 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 are GA Lutheran Church, Zion Lutheran Church, or you can 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. Food Pantry Phone #: 701-680-7049.

Teals Receipts: 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.



Congrats Confirmands: Congratulations to the 2024 confirmands Athena Erickson, Maddilyn "Maddi" Faber, Anthony Ferderer, Cyprian Johnson, Hunter Lien and Journey Sargent on affirming your faith. May God Bless you as you continue your faith journey.



Congrats Senior Graduates: Congratulations to: Paetyn Hamann, Nate Hansen Nick Hansen and Jack Mairs.

Welcome: We welcome our newest members, Hailey Peterson and Harper Peterson, who were baptized into the GA Family on Saturday, May 11th 2024.

Church Finances:

For the Month of March 2024:

Beginning Balance: \$44976.03, Deposits: \$17967.40, Payments: \$13841.44

Ending Balance: \$49101.99

2024 Year to Date Giving:

GA 2024 Budget: \$210,770.00

Giving to Date: \$56,826.00

Giving Needed by 12-31-24: \$153,944.00



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

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2024 Mowing Schedule

May 26-June 01	Martin Potts
June 02-08	Walter Wrage
June 09-15	Kenwood Peterson
June 16-22	Shawn Beck
June 23-29	Martin Potts
June 30-July 06	Jerrod Sandness
July 07-13	Adam Wrage
July 14-20	Brian Gilje
July 21-27	Walter Wrage
July 28- August 03	Kenwood Peterson
August 04-10	Jeff Anderson
August 11-17	Dennis Dahl
August 18-24	Kent & Julie Johnson
Aug 25 - 31	Shawn Beck

September 01-07	Martin Potts
September 08-14	Mike & Carrili Larson
September 15-21	Adam Wrage
September 22-28	Brian Gilje
Sept 29 - October 5	Walter Wrage
October 6-12	Mike & Carrili Larson
October 13-19	Kent & Julie Johnson
October 20-26	Dennis Dahl
October 27-Nov 02	Kenwood Peterson
November 03-09	Shawn Beck
November 10-16	Martin Potts
November 17-23	Jerrod Sandness



Looking Ahead! :

July 15-17: VBS

July 21: Christmas In July Worship Service

July 23-25: YOGA Crow Wing River Canoe Trip



May-June Action Group

Co-Chairs: Joan Peterson
Donna Hansen

Kari Gilje

Betty Melroe

Deborah Thorsness

Denise Dahl

Peggy Erickson

Connie Kracht

Jeanie Stahl

Kay Swanson

Linda Johnson

Lynn Anderson

Shirley Fuss

Kyla Temple



June Birthdays

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- 1 Phyllis Bauer
Nora Swanson
- 2 Trever Hansen
Shayla Heger
Kinzley Orth
- 3 Lucus Christensen
- 4 Kevin Anderson
Joan Johnson
Jennifer Krause
Becky Sandness
William Witkowski
- 5 Michael Clapper
Bob Krause
- 6 Lannae Johnson
Madison Mairs
- 8 Hannah Carlblom
Kelsey Johnson
Raymond Johnson
- 9 Claire Anderson
- 10 Corey Waloch
Bethany Kempel
Alexis Schwagel
- 12 Linda McFarland
Roger Johnson
Lexie Thares
Chad McFarland
- 13 Paige Walth
- 14 Tanner Kempel
Theresa Schwagel
- 15 Lane Christensen
- 17 Dennis Goltz
Dustin White
- 19 Cooper Fuss
- 20 Jennifer Herman
Stephanie McFarland
Randy Waloch
- 21 Reagan Crandall
Wally Skold
Jesse Zetocha
- 22 Blaine Stevens



- 24 Rita Holmstrom
Ginger Utecht
- 25 Tim Vincent
Shirley Waloch
- 26 Jaylesn Anderson
Chad Decker
Joleen Hardy
Elwood Odegard
- 28 Sharon Beckstrom
Darrel Salberg
- 30 Lyle Van Tassel
Jaida Dux



June Anniversaries

- 1 Jan & Scott Melroe
Lexie & Brayden Thares
- 3 Melinda & Steven Morlock
- 5 Diane & Elwood Odegard
- 6 Kate & Chad Decker
- 7 Marsha & Mark Murphy
Tami & Dean Zink
- 8 Carrili & Mike Larson
- 11 Margie & Zac Johnson
Patty & Clarmont Ulven
- 15 Shelly & Terry Beckstrom
- 18 Donna & Jeff Anderson
- 19 Treana & Jeremy Berreth
- 24 Lannae & Miles Johnson
- 28 Sharon & Dennis Peterson
Robbin & David Witkowski

***Have you been 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 con-
tact the church office at
678-2552 or email us at***

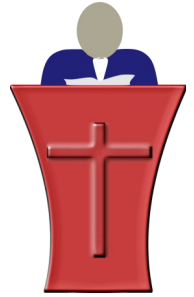
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Thanks!

June Worship Assistants

Readers

02	Becky Salberg
09	Joleen Hardy
16	Michelle Goettle
23	Nancy Wrage
30	Carrili Larson



Communion Assistants

02	Sharon Beckstrom
09	Steve Melroe
16	Dennis Dahl
23	Paul White
30	Shirley Waloch



Mowing

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Greeters

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



Ushers

Captain: Gene Hajek

Chuck & Barb Klemetson
Steven & Melinda Morlock
Emma & Taylor Waloch



Sound System

Sound System is now

A Paid Position.

Contact Kris Beck if you are Interested.



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

April 27, 2024 (This meeting replaces the May council meeting.)

President Kris Beck, called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm. Council members present: Kris Beck, Paul White, Martin Potts, Mike Larson, Sharon Beckstrom, and Kirstin Kempel. Also present: Pastor Jaime Decker.

Approve agenda: Martin/Paul. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Paul/Mike. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Discussion of Pastor Jaime's April/May meetings, book study. She officiated a wedding, funeral, and a baptism. She attended a conference in Mpls., held a confirmation mentor meeting, attended a monthly Wahpteton Conference in Milnor, hosted today's council retreat at her home, and will attend her final 1st call retreat. Affirmation of Baptism will be May 5th, Senior Recognition Sunday will be May 19th, and Synod Assembly will be in June, in which Mike, Carrili, Kris, and Pastor Jaime will attend.

Church Work Group Reports:

Property and Grounds- (Martin) There was a leak in kitchen and entryway. Back door to be fixed soon. Sticks were picked up by confirmation kids with Rachel and Jason and Jaime helping. 4th-6th grade N.S. students picked up sticks around parking lot and Kent Johnson picked up piles. A sign up will be posted for watering new plants this summer. We will need volunteers. There was a discussion that approval by council is needed if anything is to be stored in wooden shed.

WELCA- (Sharon) No report

Men's Group- (Mike) No report

YOGA- (Austin) No report

Education- (Kris) Rachel Nelson and Markie Toso are stepping down as Sunday School Superintendents. We will need to fill this position. VBS will be held July 15-17.

Altar Guild- (Kirstin) Brass was polished and communion trays were washed at last meeting. This fall, the meetings will change from the last Wednesday of the month to the last Sunday of the month following the church service.

Worship and Music-(Paul) Committee will meet May 8th to discuss summer services.

Old Business:

Stewardship update: Skit will be May 12th, Quarterly reports and a Stewardship letter will go out soon to all G.A. contributors

Evaluations of paid staff will start in May.

Sohn's food truck discussion is still underway. Pastor Jaime will call her back.

New Business:

Constitutional Discussion and Updates:

Discussion of wording relating to number of council members. No change made.

Council Officers in the constitution include President, V.P, Secretary, and Treasurer. The council no longer has a treasurer as this is a paid position. We will need a congregational meeting to vote on and change the wording.

Discussion was held on when to schedule the annual meeting in 2025. Consensus was to hold the annual meeting 2 weeks earlier than it was in 2024, putting that in the middle of March. Kris will contact Michelle G and the auditing committee to see how this works for them. A congregational meeting and vote are needed to change the date.

Treasurer's Report: No report

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting. Paul/Mike. Motion carried. Next meeting will be held in June.

JUNE 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1 Pastor Jaime at Synod Assembly
2 9:30 Worship No Communion Pastor Jaime at Synod Assembly	3 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline Carrili on Vaca-taion	4 Carrili on Vaca-taion	5 Carrili on Vaca-taion	6 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon Carrili on Vaca-taion	7 Jaime's Sabbath Carrili on Vaca-taion	8 Jaime's Sabbath
9 9:30 Outdoor Worship with Comm Make-A-Change Sunday	10 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	11 6:30 PM Book Study	12	13 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon Ruth Circle 2:30	14 Jaime's Sabbath	15 Jaime's Sabbath
16 9:30 Outdoor Worship with Comm	17  July Newsletter Deadline 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline	18	19	20 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon	21 Jaime's Sabbath	22 Jaime's Sabbath
23 9:30 Indoor Worship no Comm Pastor Jaime on YOGA Trip	24 12 Noon Bulletin Deadline Pastor Jaime on YOGA Trip	25 Pastor Jaime on YOGA Trip	26 Pastor Jaime on YOGA Trip	27 Bits 'N Stitches Quilting 9am to Noon Pastor Jaime on YOGA Trip	28 Jaime's Sabbath	29 Jaime's Sabbath
30 9:30 Outdoor Worship with Comm						

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SECRETARY.....CARRILI LARSON
TREASURER.....MICHELLE GOETTLE
CUSTODIAN.....TRUDY PETERSON
COUNCIL PRESIDENT.....KRIS BECK
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SHARON BECKSTROM, PAUL WHITE, AUSTON CREECH
AND YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE