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Worship at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

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...our Council President



I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and a great New Year's with your family, friends, and loved ones. It is hard to believe 2023 is upon us. As we turn the page on a new year, we will soon have our Church Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 5th. For our church to function, we have various positions on boards and in leadership that need to be filled. As I write this newsletter piece, we have the following positions that need to be filled:

- President
- Board of Stewardship (2 positions)
- Board of Education (2 positions)
- Board of Trustees (2 or 3 positions)

These are essential roles and help to ensure the mission of our church is carried out. I hope and pray that you will consider one of our open positions. If you have any questions about the role of these positions, do not hesitate to ask those that are already serving on the boards.

Another update for you, our Transition Committee will be meeting for the first time on Tuesday, January 17th, at 6pm. Thank you to those of you that have volunteered to be part of this group. This committee will be seeking the congregation's feedback over the next few months, so please be willing to engage in their conversations.

Jim Hauschild Jr.

"Welcome to the Family!"

The concept of becoming part of a family or a clan/community/nation historically has had a very significant place in our understanding of belonging. This concept has been significantly watered down by today's culture. The other day I got the following notice from a company that thanked me for being a part of their "family."

"Hi John - First off, thank you so much for being part of the [company] family. We're humbled that many of you chose [company] as your gift of choice this year and years past. YOU, our customers and community, are at the core of everything we create, and we're so thankful to have such an amazing group of folks that continue to make us better.

Many thanks, Todd"

I'm not certain that I have ever used their company. If I had, I didn't join their "family." The family connection is of far greater importance, something I hold very near and dear to my heart! Look at the family connections in the Christmas story of Jesus' birth in both Matthew and Luke:

While Mary and Joseph welcomed Jesus into their family, God was using this birth to welcome us into God's family (not only the tribe of Father Abraham, but of the everlasting God and Father of us all)! This wasn't a smooth transition because traditions, both cultural and religious, created barriers that had to be navigated. This unexpected pregnancy was something specifically un-ordinary and certainly was not shameful!

Mary, in her pregnancy, visited her elder cousin, Elizabeth (who was pregnant with John who became the Baptizer), when Elizabeth proclaimed to Mary, "You are the most blessed of all women, and blessed is the child you will bear!" and Mary's reply is called "The Magnificat" as found in Luke 1:

"The Magnificat is a revolutionary song of salvation whose political, economic, and social dimensions cannot be blunted. People in need in every society hear a blessing in this canticle. The battered woman, the single parent without resources, those without food on the table or without even a table, the homeless family, the young abandoned to their own devices, the old who are discarded: all are encompassed in the hope Mary proclaims." – Sister Elizabeth Johnson, 2012

"The Magnificat was banned being sung or read in India under British rule. In the 1980s, it was banned in Guatemala. In addition, after the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo—whose children all disappeared during the Dirty War (1976-1983)—placed the Magnificat's words on posters throughout the capital plaza, the military junta of Argentina outlawed any public display of Mary's song." – The Subversive Magnificat: What Mary Expected The Messiah To Be Like

And Joseph, who had made a decision to quietly end his relationship with Mary because of her pregnancy, was encouraged in a dream, and so he chose to be "dad" to the Son of God! Joseph accepted the invitation and all who accept this invitation form that commitment! Matthew 1. It's a big deal! God in the form of the baby Jesus invited all of us into his family!

"But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine." Isaiah 43:1

"...because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5b

God's promise that "I will never leave you nor forsake you" is found in multiple books of both the Old and New Testaments. With this promise, we can be assured that He is always with us, and we can be encouraged to always be with God in faith and spirit. No matter our past, we can always repent and be welcomed into God's loving mercy and grace. Thank God for his glorious love and compassion for us. This isn't about having a customer relationship with God/the church/your community. It's about receiving all that God in Christ can offer - in this world and in the next. Reconsider your connection to the Family of God. May you find ways to strengthen the relationship to those who are also one with you and one with God in Jesus, our brother.



WOMEN of PEACE December 8, 2022

The Women of Peace met

on Thursday, December 8, at 11:30 a.m. with six members present. We all enjoyed a luncheon with our special guests: Pastor John and Julie, Amy, Janet and Lee, Rich, Don M., Don R., and Julie S.

After lunch we had a short business meeting. Shirley announced that she was resigning as president. Joanne agreed to be president with Shirley becoming vice president. Marie will remain as treasurer and Vi as secretary. Verla and Bonnie will be in charge of quilting. Nancy will continue as Bible study leader with Bonnie as her back up. Pastor John told us that any member could attend the council meetings to report on our doings. It doesn't have to be the president.

Shirley made the motion, seconded by Joanne, to approve the minutes of the November meeting as printed

in the newsletter. Motion passed. Marie gave the treasurer's report, which showed income from two funerals and the Thankoffering services. Also, expenses for the third grade Bibles and a two-month payment to His Arms project. Shirley made the motion to accept, seconded by Joanne. Motion passed.

Marie said that she had presented Pastor John with a Christmas gift check from the Women of Peace. The decision to give quilts or lap robes to Peace members in the local nursing homes was tabled until our next meeting. Joanne made the motion, seconded by Shirley, to give \$1000.00 to the fund for new carpet in the dining room. Motion passed.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, January 12, at 1:30 p.m. weather permitting with Shirley as hostess. The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Vi Roquette, Secretary



BOARD of STEWARDSHIP December 11, 2022

Next meeting January 8th. We are looking for two new members

to join our committee! Please consider joining us!

Cheri shared a wonderful devotion on "JOY"! Sherry will share at next meeting.

A form will be going out in the new year asking people to share their talents. Many of the members that have been serving our church for years can no longer do so. We need some younger people to fill those shoes.

Respectfully submitted, DeAnn Ashlin



BOARD of TRUSTEES December 13, 2022

Meeting held on December 13, 2022, at 6pm.

In attendance: Jim, Pastor

John, Wayne, Amy, Pam, Rich, Robert Rust, Sam, and virtually, Dick.

Meeting called to order by Jim.

Secretary's report: Motion to approve by Wayne, second by Jim.

Treasurer's report: Amy went over sheet. Bonuses to be handed out by Pastor John. Motion to approve by Pam, second by Dick.

Old business: Drain spouts - waiting for estimate from Rain Gutter Man. Insurance - Amy met with Scott. He is checking on couple things and will give us a report. Cameras - issue being solved. Automatic door openers have been installed and receiving great feedback!! Transition Pastor - committee formed, scheduled to meet.

Carpet ordered, may be installed in January. Suggestion of more handicap parking spaces. Rich checking on signs to be placed.

New business: AV Dept - went over ideas for smoother streaming of services and programs, voting on equipment needed (\$8000). Motion to approve by Wayne, second by Dick. Rich pointed out cracks in hallway to choir room. Individual who worked on parsonage offered to fix damage. Rich is checking on warranty. Plan to fix before carpet installation. Time to seek new board members. Suggestion made to hold meetings between services. Next meeting: January 10, 2023.

Next Council Rep: Jim. January – Wayne / February: Peder.

Next book review: January - Jim/Dick. February: Peder/Pam (or replacement).

Motion to adjourn by Wayne, second by Jim.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Edwards



LOGOS BOARD December 14, 2022

Opened with devotions/prayers.

Next Meeting Date: 2/7/23.

Bible Study: Feels that staffing is going well. Nothing significant to report.

Recreation: The upstairs activity has been different this year and may want to begin to evaluate options for next year to increase space for students.

Family Time: Tables will be changed around for seating next half of the year

Worship skills: Program in March. Becky will send out message on Band app to see who would be able to attend. Email if Band is not responsive or texting.

New concerns: Make council meeting sign up for the year. What date is Dec. council meeting. Refrigerator space needs to be identified for LOGOS food. Becky can do observation for first two hours. Do we have enough volunteers and do we have all families involved in kitchen?

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Anderson



CHURCH COUNCIL December 20, 2022

Call to order: Jim Hauschild Jr. at

7:00 PM.

Attendance: Pastor John Hanson, Cristy Peavey, Jim Hauschild Jr., Brenda Cronk, Jim Hauschild Sr., Weston Arndt, Nerissa Krosnoski, Amy Hutchins, Amy Larson, Shirley Rode, Angie Bierwerth, Pauline Wangen, Stacy Shafer and Scott Brushaber. Leann Huston joined us via Zoom and Don Rode as a visitor.

Adoption of the Agenda: Motion by Shirley Rode and seconded by Nerissa Krosnoski. Carried.

Next Meeting: January 17th at 7:00. Pauline Wangen/devotions.

Secretary's Report: As printed in the newsletter. Motion by Brenda Cronk and seconded by Shirley Rode. Carried. Treasurer's Report: Submitted with agenda. Motion by Jim Hauschild Sr. and seconded by Weston Arndt. Carried. Motion for November benevolence to go to LCMC and December benevolence to be split between Baldwin and Woodville Food Pantries and Family Resource Center by Jim Hauschild Jr. and seconded by Weston Arndt. Carried. Reports: Executive Committee - The first Transitional Committee meeting will be January 17th at 6:00. Pastor John Hanson - Pastor attended Youth on Fire event to purchase gifts to give away at Christmas. He thanked all involved in the Christmas programs. The Annual Meeting is set for February 5th. We all need to work to fill vacancies on the boards. LOGOS - Activity time is challenging due to space restrictions. The second half is starting, and they are looking for new student enrollments. Board of Stewardship - There are two spots to fill on their board. Board of Education - They are offering an invitation to parents to join their child/children during

Sunday School on January 15th. They are looking at having a Valentine dance. Pancake breakfast is January 22nd. There are two spots to fill on their board. Director of Sunday School - Thank you to the congregation for their support for the Christmas programs. Board of Deacons -There is a need for assistants for Christmas services. Women of Peace - Thank you to all who donated cookies for December 4th. They plan to give church members in nursing homes a lap quilt. Youth on Fire - Students purchased Gifts for Children and purchased gifts for another family in need. Trollhaugen event is January 7th and movie night is January 8th. Sunday School led by Leann Huston for 10th-12th grade will be starting in January. Board of Trustees - The carpet in the fellowship hall will be installed in January. The audio-visual area will be upgraded. Roofing bids are coming in. There are two spots to fill on their board. Director of Family Ministries - Looking for ideas for January donations. January 19th "Over 55" is Bingo and potluck. Make ahead crock pot meals will be coming again in January. Life Changing Support group is put on hold for now. If you are interested, contact Pauline Wangen. Childcare - Rates are increasing in January. They are working with a full staff. Ushers -No representative.

Old Business: We continue to look at ways to educate the congregation on the Endowment Fund and possibly getting a speaker to talk about the subject.

New Business: Annual reports are due to Amy by January 9th

Adjourn: 7:45 P.M. Motion by Jim Hauschild Sr. and seconded by Shirley Rode. Carried. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Cronk

Leann Huston is the Youth Director at Peace (Ihuston13@yahoo.com or 715-556-2129). ALL youth

grades 8 - 12 are invited!!



- * Please take time to listen to the wonderful message in this song: <u>It's About the Cross Go Fish Lyrics Bing video</u>
- * Join us for skiing/snowboarding January 7th! We will meet at church at 2pm and take the bus to Trollhaugen. YOF will cover costs, you just need to bring money to cover your food and drinks.

We would like to get a group of 20 to get the group rate. Please text, email, or let me know in person if you will be joining us by Thursday, January 5, and if you prefer skiing or snowboarding.

- * Movie Night: January 8th, 6pm, at church
- * 30-hr Famine Overnight/lead Church service: February 18 19. Youth, please let me know if you would like to help with worship services Sunday. I am also looking for adults to help with the overnight, even if for only for a few hours. Please let me know if you can help!
- * March 25-26: Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser
- * April 21: Elevation Worship Concert. Sign up with Leann before tickets are gone. Youth on Fire will cover costs of tickets and we will take the bus to the concert.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1

Pauline Wangen is the Director of Family Ministries (pauline.wangen@gmail.com or 651-210-5106).



January Donations - Food Pantry Donations can be put in the "Lord's Pantry" box in the entryway.

Piecing It Together Craft Night - Friday, January 6, 6:00-9:00 pm

Do you have crafts you love but don't have time or space? Here's the answer! Bring them to church! Pizza, snacks, and beverages will be available for a freewill donation.

Blood Pressure Checks

Blood Pressure checks are offered one Sunday a month between services. The next one is **January 8.** Look for signs in the Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Bible Study- The Chosen, Season 3 - Mondays January 9 - February 27 at 6:30 PM

We will watch an episode each week and have discussion questions. The Chosen is a multi-season show about the life of Jesus and allows viewers to see the life of Jesus through the eyes of those that knew Him. *Did you miss Seasons 1 and 2? Check them out here:* https://www.angel.com/watch.

Over 55 BINGO and Potluck - Thursday, January 19, 10:00am-1:00pm Join us for BINGO, potluck lunch, and fellowship. Bring a dish to pass.

Make Ahead Crock Pot Freezer Meals - Thursday, January 26, 6:30-8:00pm

Together we will prep the ingredients and assemble four delicious meals to bring home. Children are welcome to attend with an adult. Cost: \$45 (bring a cooler to take your meals home). **Sign up by January 20**th. Please let Pauline know if you have any dietary restrictions.

Life Changing Illness Support Group - Cancelled until further notice.

ONGOING Weekly Ministries at Peace

Rise & (Son)Shine – Thursdays from 7-8:30 a.m. at church. Bible study and exercise. Contact Cheri Rott for more information (cherigary@gmail.com).

Morning Coffee Hour – Thursdays, 9-11 am. Join us on Zoom for coffee, snacks, games, and conversation.

Contact Pauline for more information.

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly). Meetings are weekly on Thursdays from 5:15-6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Anyone that is interested in invited. For more information check out www.tops.org or contact Pauline Wangen.

Adult Bible Study — Saturdays at 9:00 am. In-person or by Zoom. Contact Pauline for log-in information.



Please remember the **Food Pantry**. The "Lord's Cupboard" is at the north end of the Fellowship Hall. Food may be dropped off anytime the church is open.

CANS and CARTRIDGES - We collect aluminum cans and inkjet and deskjet toner cartridges as fundraisers for the Building Fund. We cannot take laserjet cartridges. Cans can be thrown in the trailer at the north end of the farthest parking lot (PLEASE THROW THEM IN LOOSE – NO BAGS) and cartridges can be left in the box in the entry by the office.

FEBRUARY SCRIP ORDERS



The February deadline for ordering Scrip is Sunday, February 5. Your order will be ready for pick up the following Sunday, February 12. Debit/credit cards may be used to pay for scrip orders. Use the card terminal in the narthex of church (Directions are located next to the unit). To place an order, simply complete your order form (blank

forms at the Scrip station in the narthex and on the website) and place it in an envelope along with your **cash**, **check or debit/credit card slip.** Place your envelope in either of the church drop boxes. If you have any questions regarding the Scrip program and how easy it is to use, please contact Sharon Hauschild 715-307-2531 (cell). Thank you!

Gifts and Memorials

Gifts have been received in honor of Jim Hauschild's 75th birthday, and in honor of Ole and Nola Monicken, Craig and Gloria Rasmussen, and Tobie Anderson, and in memory of Jerry Larson and Bob Nelson.

PASTORAL ACTS

December 31 - Wedding service for Madeline Russell and Cameron Swanson

* * * BULLETIN BOARD * * *

CONSTITUTION REVISIONS - Reminder; the Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 5th! Besides the usual board & committee reports, budget/treasurer's report, and electing leaders, we will be amending our constitution & by-laws. It has been several years since the constitution and by-laws have been amended, and we as a congregation have grown and changed over that time. A print-out of the proposed amendments is available on the usher stand if you'd like to view the changes before the annual meeting.

GIVE COMFORT, GIVE JOY, GIVE BLOOD - There will be a blood drive at Zion Lutheran Church, 221 N. Lockwood St., Woodville, on Friday, January 13, from 11:00am to 5:00pm. To make an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Zion Lutheran Church in the search box.



- 1 Bruce Ashlin/Justen Walton/KatieBorowicz/Tom Mueller/Asher Thomason
- 2 Grant Hutchins/Jennica Driscoll/Scott Brushaber/Brystol Shearer
- 3 Adeline Hink/Dan Smith/Jody Graese/Jodi Engler/Madison Carey
- 4 Cadyn Winger
- 5 Char Vrieze/Mackenzie Brown/Braxton Ramberg
- 6 Charles Anderson/Gavin Emmert
- 7 Renate O'Brien/Janine Serier/Lizzie Duch
- 8 Sharon Hauschild/Allie Newton/Thayden Wernlund/Greta Grognet
- 9 Dan VanSomeren/Eric Wangen/Kaylee Shaleen
- 10 Jeremy Werner/Tim Haugen
- 11 Nicolle Emmert/Monica Polk

- 12 Brian Blegen/Hayden Shearer
- 13 Melissa Fussy/Tori Harken/Stone Parizek
- 14 Kelly Meyers/Jake Griffin/Rylan Schumacher/Remi Roy
- 15 Chuck Ford/Audrey Mathison
- 16 Caleb Gustafson/Lilyanne Meyer
- 17 Lisa Knutson/Keagan Martino
- 18 Lauren Thompson
- 19 Josh Vrieze
- 20 Sidney Roemhild/Owen Roettger
- 22 Jennifer Winger/Ashley Read/Jaxon

Schaffer

23 - Myrna Larson/Nancy Larson/Kim

Thomason/Ali Newton

- 24 Ellie French/Nick Russell
- 25 Hudson French
- 26 Jake Freese/Liz Rust
- 27 Larry Larson
- 28 Grady Paulson
- 29 Jennifer Haugen
- 30 Joyce Wolf/Kathy Pankratz/Becky Shaleen

MAY YOU SHINE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST IN THE NEW YEAR!

Matthew 5:16 - In the same way, let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

A Message from the Board of Stewardship

In 1972, Richard K. Avery and Donald S. Marsh wrote the song "We Are the Church." One of the verses of this song states: "We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places." Think of all of the amazing ideas, talents, stories, abilities, and skills that verse says about our church.

The Board of Stewardship is looking for all of those things from our congregation. We have great thoughts on where we want our church to go in the future - think of it as a New Year with new ideas! We need people to fill the roles and lead us in 2023. There have been so many wonderful people that have done this, but as they are moving, aging, unable to continue, ready to move on to new roles, or not with us anymore, we need "many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places."

Please prayerfully consider how you could be a steward of our church. Take a few minutes to fill out this small paper of what your idea or role at Peace could be and then put it in the container on the usher stand. Because as the chorus says: "I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world, yes, we're the church together!"

Name:	
Name:Phone number:	
Email:	
Email: Idea or area to serve:	

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.

~1 Peter 4:10

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Janu	ary 2	2023				
1 9:00 Worship Scrip orders due	2	3 Tuesday Community Supper	4	5 7:00 Rise/Shine 9:00 Zoom Coffee Hour 5:15 TOPS	6 6:00 Craft Night	7 9:00 Bible Study 2:00 YOF Ski/Snowboard
8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Sunday School & Adult Bible Study Blood Pressure Cks. 9:15 Board of Stewardship 6:00 Youth on Fire	9 6:00 Board of Ed 6:30 Bible Study	6:00 Board of Trustees	LOGOS 6:30 Celebration Singers 6:30 Confirmation	12 7:00 Rise/Shine 9:00 Zoom Coffee Hour 1:30 WOP/Joy Circle 5:15 TOPS	13	14 9:00 Bible Study
15 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:15 Board of Deacons	16 9:00 WOP Work Day 6:30 Bible Study	6:00 Transition Committee 7:00 Church Council	LOGOS 6:30 Celebration Singers 6:30 Confirmation	19 7:00 Rise/Shine 9:00 Zoom Coffee Hour 10:00 Over 55 Group 5:15 TOPS	20	21 9:00 Bible Study
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	6:30 Bible Study					