

CORNERSTONE CONNECTION

July Newsletter

7-1-2023

Our mission: Called by God to love and serve our neighbors, Long Lake Lutheran Church will proclaim the joy of salvation by teaching, preaching, and providing sacraments to our congregation and to our neighbors.

We are Christ Centered, Purpose Driven & Mission Focused!



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JULY

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| 2 | 9:00 Worship w/Holy Communion 10:15 Stewardship Meeting 10:15 Property Team Meeting 0:15 Youth & Education Meeting | 17 | 6:00 Western Heritage (Cornerstone) 6:00 4-H Long Lake Leaders Meeting |
| 3 | OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 Western Heritage (Cornerstone) | 18 | 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA 7:00 Softball |
| 4 | OFFICE CLOSED HAPPY 4TH OF JULY | 19 | 1:00 Grief Share 6:00 Worship |
| 5 | 1:00 Grief Share 6:00 Worship | 20 | 9:00 Prayer Group 1:00 WELCA |
| 6 | 9:00 Prayer Group | 21 | 1:00 Family fun Day |
| 7 | 1:00 Family Fun Day | 23 | 9:00 Worship |
| 8 | 3:00 Family Fun Night | 24 | NEWSLETTER DEADLINE |
| 9 | 9:00 Worship 10:15 Live Nativity Meeting | 25 | 9:00 Mission Quilting 9:30 Fellowship Café 7:00 AA 7:00 Softball |
| 10 | 6:30 Lakeside Victory 4H Club | 26 | 11:30 Lunch Ladies 1:00 Grief Share 6:00 Worship |
| 11 | 9:30 Fellowship Café 1:00 Sunshine Circle 4:00 Finance Meeting 7:00 AA 7:00 Softball | 27 | 9:00 Prayer Group 12:00 Senior Cards |
| 12 | 1:00 Grief Share 6:00 Worship | 28 | 4:00 Wedding Rehearsal |
| 13 | 9:00 Prayer Group 12:00 Senior Cards 1:00 Worship and Music Meeting | 29 | 4:00 Wedding |
| 16 | 9:00 Worship w/Holy Communion 10:15 Congregational Life Meeting 10:15 Mission Team Meeting | 30 | 9:00 Worship 5:00 Dinner 5:30 VBS |
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From the desk of Pastor Sue:



Did you hear about the Lutheran church that was having their annual meeting? There was a big discussion going on about buying a new chandelier for the sanctuary. Pastor Svenson was all for buying it, while Pastor Oleson was totally against it. Back and forth they went. Finally, Pastor Svenson said to Pastor Oleson, “can you give me four good reasons why we shouldn’t buy this chandelier?” Pastor Oleson said, “ya sure, I can. Number vun is dat it costs too much. Number two is dat none of us can even spell chandelier. Reason number tree is that none of us can even play a chandelier, and most importantly, number four is dat before we buy one of dose tings ve ought to get some more light in here!”

I’m so happy we don’t have these kinds of disagreements! We are blessed with a congregation that wants great things to happen here for God’s glory. Looking forward to a long future for Long Lake Lutheran Church seems to be the attitude among us. We have a visioning team that envisions a building project within the next five years. We have a youth and education team that is excited to build a playground for our current youth, for the youth in the community, and to welcome young families into our midst. We have a call committee acting on the authority of the congregation to call an associate minister with a focus on youth and family. The Worship and Music Team has been working to bring a contemporary worship service to add to our traditional service this fall. Our Congregational Life Team is busy planning our Community Food Truck Fellowship Event following Vacation Bible School on Thursday, August 3rd and is hosting a church potluck picnic on Saturday, July 8th. We have an interim youth director who is working with LifeRice to pack food in November. Our Friends of Ruth are bringing in the Looney Lutherans for a Saturday evening of hilarity (Oct. 7th).

We have invited Pastor Lee Schuemann to present about his mission work (July 16th) in Ukraine with a possibility for us to partner with Oxlip and his organization.

And that’s not everything! In other words, we are busy working for the kingdom of God out here in the middle of the corn field! How exciting! New people are drawn to churches that are doing things, not churches that just gather like a social club to entertain themselves. We are doing wonderful things here at Long Lake Lutheran and I am so grateful to be a part of this mission to bring the Gospel to the world.

Paul wrote to the church in Philippi, *“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the thing that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.”* (Philippians 4: 4-9)

We are doing God’s work here. I love that we are looking forward to the next generations. Things we are doing now will keep Long Lake Lutheran Church viable into the future to broaden the reach of the message of the love of God for His people. That’s what we are here for.

June attendance:

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| June 4 – | 108 |
| June 11 – | 117 |
| June 18 – | 91 |
| June 25 - | 94 |



We are growing! With Vacation Bible School and Sunday School both coming up quickly, we need you! If you feel God tugging at your heart to work with our littlest believers, we have spots for you.

- Volunteer at VBS the week of June 30 in crafts, games, music, science, storytelling, or as a small group leader.
- We are making two classes for Sunday School: one for readers and one for pre-readers. This is great news, and means that we could use more people to help teach, too. Teachers usually work with a partner and only teach once a month.

See Kari to volunteer!

Kari Osmek

Interim Director of Children, Youth, and Family

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 30-Aug. 3, 5:30-7:30pm

@ LONG LAKE LUTHERAN

Dinner available 5:00-5:30 daily.

Food trucks on Aug. 3



Scan the QR
code to register!





SAVE THE DATES

Food Truck Fellowship

August 3, 2023

5:00-8:00 pm



Trunk or Treat

October 28, 2023

3:00-5:00pm



Live Nativity

December 2, 2023

3:00-6:30 pm

December 3, 2023



Playground Team Update



Extremely exciting progress has been made on building our very own Long Lake Lutheran Playground! This illustration depicts the equipment we will be getting. Join us in being thrilled to see this dream take life! We will have swings, a playset with slides, monkey bars, tunnel, and rope climbing, a spinami spinner, a mini playhouse, and a gaga pit.

The decision was made to purchase our equipment through Midwest Playscapes and we will be placing our order in the coming days. Based on the delivery timing, we will be planning the install of the equipment the week of October 16th or later.

We need your help! Please speak with Pastor Sue, Amanda Saelens, Monica Petersen, or Rachel Maguire if you can help in any of the following areas:

Building/planning the gaga pit – we have been told this is an awesome project for an Eagle Scout or possibly something similar? If you know of anyone that would want to take the lead on this project, please let us know!

Unloading the equipment when it arrives – do you have a loader with a forklift that you could bring to the church to unload the equipment for us when it arrives?

Join the fundraising team – we are looking for people to help write grants, head up a customized brick fundraiser, or reach out for local community donations.

Help with the installation – we will be looking for 7-10 volunteers for a 1-2 day project in mid to late October. We plan to fundraise in order to hire supervisors as well as equipment for the install.

Prayers – please pray that God will provide the necessary resources to make this happen. That this can become a playground that our congregation and community can use. Where our youth can come together, have fun in the fresh air, build friendships, and share their love for Jesus!

Our playground team thanks everyone for the immense support we've received throughout this project!

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee needs your help! We are actively looking for pastor candidates to consider for our Youth and Family Pastor position. If you know of an awesome pastor that would be perfect for Long Lake Lutheran Church, please let us know. It doesn't matter how far away their current parish is, we can consider them for this role so let us know their name. Use the form in the bulletin, or call or email anyone in a leadership role at the church to let us know who they are and we will take it from there. Thank you!

LLLC Call Process Pastor Referral

Your help is needed in our extremely important effort at Long Lake Lutheran Church to call a Youth and Family Pastor. If you know of a pastor at another parish that you would like the Call Committee to consider for our pastor position, please let us know.

Pastor Name:

Church currently serving:

City/State:

Pastor contact info (if known):

Your name and phone # (optional and would only be used in case of questions):

Faithful Friends is a program developed while Shawna was still here. It is our hope that Faithful Friends will supplement the Pastoral Care Ministry of Long Lake Lutheran Church with Lay Ministers who are trained and equipped to provide home, hospital and care center visits, communion and spiritual friendship to people of our congregation. If you are in need of this service or know someone who is, please contact Pastor Sue, Brenda, Pat Weiss-Meyer or Marcy Stoeckel (651-338-8986).

"A new command I give to you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." (John 13:34)

Faithful
 **Friends**

Breakfast Club: Attention All High School Students

Please come and join us every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 9:00am in the cornerstone. We will have waffles, juice, and great conversation! Sometimes we'll have donuts and play games— you never know! Bring a friend, too— All are welcome! Please contact Marcy if you have questions.



651-338-8986

July Worship Helpers

July 2nd

Greeter: Connie & Gerald Anderson

Ushers: Mike & Manda Hanson

Lector: Monica Ahlman

Kitchen: Margaret Bauer

July 9th

Greeters: Dave & Karen Baker

Usher: Cierra, Megan, Mackenzie Larsen

Lector: Sharee Anderson

Kitchen: Joanne Eittreim

July 16th

Greeters: Jenny Boniarczyk

Ushers: Merwyn Larsen

Lector: Morgan Engren

Kitchen: Denise Sunderland

July 23rd

Greeters: Connie Engren

Ushers: Matt Lundeen

Lector: John Hass

Kitchen: Dylan Monroe

July 30th

Greeters: Josh & Tessa Budnick

Ushers: Harlan & Madge Lillemoen

Lector: Ronda Fenlon

Kitchen: Ernie & Nancy Sandahl





July Birthdays

July 1 Tristan Boettcher

July 2 Kathie Schleif

July 2 Kevin Schrapp

July 3 Carol Strand

July 4 Ronda Fenlon

July 5 Larry Larsen

July 6 Marsha Weidner

July 7 Dale Findell

July 7 Charlotte Fischer

July 7 Linda Oliver

July 8 Betsy Vincent

July 9 Sophie Anderson

July 9 James Peterson Jr.

July 10 Annette Lundeen

July 11 Kara Hepp

July 11 Cheryl Knapp

July 13 Melissa Brazier

July 13 Brett White

July 17 Brenna Browen

July 17 Carol Fleischer

July 17 Brooklyn Mehle

July 19 Kyle Lynn

July 20 Linda Monroe

July 21 Kyler Hennen

July 22 Claudia Hanson

July 23 Donna Bahr

July 25 Madelynn Belsheim

July 25 Marcy Stoeckel

July 29 Don Hansen

July 31 Betty Englund

A decorative border of colorful fireworks in shades of green, blue, red, yellow, and purple surrounds the central text.

July Anniversaries

July 7 – Les & Chris Rowe

July 7 – Paul & Geri Fournier

July 8 – Don & Donna Ziemann

July 10 – Doug & Jennifer Orr

July 12 – Greg & Sarah Anderson

July 13 – Brian & Jennifer Manion

July 14 – Bruce & Marion Jernell

July 18– Chris & Joette Hennen

July 20 – Brett & Emily White

July 20 – Chad & Amanda Saelens

July 21– Brian & Susan Netzer

Looking for:

1. A person skilled in or willing to learn video production including audio and video switching, camera control and production software. This is for the worship service broadcast using multiple cameras.
2. People who are talented musically to plan and play for a contemporary worship service.
3. Congregation & Youth Historian

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FREE LAWN MOWER RIDES

May is almost over, so you better sign-up fast for your free lawn mower ride before summer is gone, you don't want to miss out on this great opportunity!



Sign-up sheet is by the welcome desk.

LIVE NATIVITY

Live Nativity meeting on Sunday, July 9th at 10:15.



FRIENDS OF RUTH

With garage sale season here, Friends of Ruth asks you keep us in mind. We need additional supplies for our baby care kits. EACH BABY CARE KIT includes: TWO lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies) TWO long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet) TWO receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36" and 52" square FOUR cloth diapers, flat fold preferred ONE jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap TWO pairs of socks ONE hand towel, dark color recommended TWO or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars TWO diaper pins or large safety pins.

There is a basket under the welcome desk labeled Friends of Ruth where you can deposit these items. Thanks so much!



July Mission

New Pathways is the mission for July. Jenny Henthorn will be here on Sunday July 9th to give a Temple Talk about New Pathways and their mission.



NEW PATHWAYS
SHELTER & SUPPORT

PRAYER CONCERNS (Let us know how we can pray for you.)

Pray for healing for: Kate Allison (Hospice), Sharon Johnson, Wanda Strike's cousin Marie and friend Gene, Marcy Stoeckel's niece Erin, Karen Baker's mom Floy and niece Angie, Kent and Joanne Eittrheim's friends Katie and Natalie, Sharon Stanius' sister-in-law Jackie and her grandson Hayden, Lisa Gustafson's brother Eric and her friend Brenda, Aaron's dad Harlan, John (Rose) Hass' nephew Kevin, Lisa and Martin Lynn's daughter Kelsey, Linda Rouen's aunt Evelyn, Matt (Angie) Hysten's dad Mike, Jessica Larsen's cousin Mike, Paul & Jackie Gruber's grandson Payton, Les & Chris Rowe's sister-in-law Nicole, Josh (Tessa) Budnick's dad Joe, Jan Tusler's brother Roger, Karen Lundeen, Joanne Eittrheim.

Pray for comfort for the grieving: The family of Waylon (3); Bill Sudeith in the loss of his brother Russ, Gene West in the loss of his brother.



Tuesdays: Softball Fan Club

Meeting at 5:30 to haul out the grill, cook hamburgers and hotdogs.

Come join us to support our LLLC softball team.

Games start at 7:00.





FOOD TRUCK FELLOWSHIP

August 3, 2023

5:00-8:00 pm

Vendors

Bradford Roadhouse

Burro Loco

City Center Swine BBQ

Custom Catering Food Truck

SaiGon Delicious

Thunder Brothers Beer

King Wilkie's Dream Band

(Bluegrass, Gospel, Country)

Pontiac Club



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Camp Onomia's 25th Annual

Quilt Auction

Saturday, September 16, 2023

It will be another awesome day at Camp Onomia for our annual live quilt auction, bake sale, and silent auction! Be sure to invite your friends & family for this fun event. All proceeds support the year-round ministries of Camp Onomia.

- ◆ Live Quilt Auction
- ◆ Silent Auction
- ◆ Bake Sale
- ◆ Raffle Quilt

SCHEDULE:

11:00 AM: Quilt preview, silent auction, and bake sale begin in Friendship Hall

Noon: Lunch with free-will offering

1:00 PM: Live Quilt Auction begins

2:30 PM: Silent Auction ends

3:00 PM: Raffle Quilt drawing



Raffle Quilt: 86"x101" Raffle tickets for this beautiful quilt in a Ribbon Blocks pattern are available online, at the Camp Office, and during the auction. Backing is white with small dots.

You do not need to be present to win.

Come and Stay! We welcome guests overnight on both Friday and Saturday, September 15th and 16th. \$40 per person per night. Come early, stay late, make some new friends, and experience this amazing setting in God's creation! Friday night includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday; Saturday night includes Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast.

Call camp for reservations

Camp Onomia
14202 Shakopee Lake Road, Onamia, MN 56359

Phone: 320-532-3767

Email: camponomia@gmail.com



View an online preview
of the quilts!
www.camponomia.org/quilts



JOIN US
SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023
FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT



3:00-6:00

ALL ARE WELCOME



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