

AARDAHL AMBASSADOR

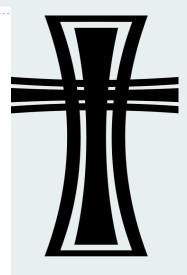
Martin Luther once said, "I have so much to do that I shall spend three hours in prayer." How many of us struggle to get even 15 minutes of prayer in each day?

Sometimes, it is a struggle to even begin a prayer. The disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray. That is when Jesus teaches them the Lord's Prayer. Sometimes, when we don't know what to say, the Lord's Prayer is a great place to start and end. Perhaps there is a simple prayer that your parents taught you, like a simple meal grace or a bed time prayer. Sometimes, we can even just say, "God, I ask you to bless and protect (insert a name or group of people)" "God, Thank you for ______."

And remember, even when we don't know what to say, the Holy Spirit speaks for us. Sometimes, it is great to say nothing at all, but simply sit in silence. When I went to a Senior High Youth Gathering as a high school freshman, one of the small group discussions was on guided meditation. We were told to sit up with our feet flat on the floor. We were to place our hands on our thighs with the palms facing up. This was to prepare us to receive God's grace. We closed our eyes and breathed slowly and deliberately. We cleared our minds of everything and imagined a place where we would feel at peace, like beside a bubbling brook in the woods. It was dead quiet in the room and peace unlike any other I had ever known settled upon us.

I am not sure how long we were in that state of complete and utter silence, but when we were brought out of silence, It felt like God had moved through that room. Even though we had said nothing, everything had been said and a large weight had been lifted from my shoulders.

The peace of God that passes all understanding is powerful, freeing and it is here with us. I pray that each day, we might find that peace. God's Peace Be With You All. Amen.



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JANUARY COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

- January 6— Smith, Wildman, Ness & Booge
- January 13—
 Englers, Margaret &
 Antonio & VOLUN TEER
- January 20— Lees,
 Williamson & Worley
 VOLUNTEER
- January 27—Kitchen Committee



FUTURE EVENTS—SOME ITEMS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

January

Breaking Bread—Tuesday, January 8th Sunday School—Sunday, January 20th

February

Breaking Bread—Tuesday 2/5 @ 5:30 PM Sunday School—Sunday 2/17

March Ash Wednesday 3/6 Wednesday Lenten Supper & Service 13, 20, 27

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Matthew 2:11

Servants of Shelter

Once again, we will partner with Calvary Lutheran when they host Servants of Shelter. We will take the night of Thursday, January 31st.

We need people to staff the shifts all night long as well as people to cook supper, breakfast and prepare lunches for the guests. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Judy Faymoville.



Tuesday

January 8th

Potluck Supper at 5:30 PM

Worship at 6:30 PM

Join us on

Tuesday night, January 8th for Breaking Bread with Jam.

We will have a potluck supper at 5:30 PM followed by worship at 6:30 PM.

We call it Jam because you are welcome to bring an instrument and "Jam" with us as we praise the Lord!

January 2019 Aardahl

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 8:30 AM Sunday School on the third Sunday COFFEE SERVED AFTER THE SERVICE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Happy New Years!	2 Confirmation at Calvary 7:15 pm	3 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00PM	4	5
6 HOLY COMMUNION Ushers: Mick & Cheryl Lee Reader: Cheryl Lee Communion Filler: Judy Faymoville Communion Helpers: Cheryl & Margaret	2	8 Breaking Bread Supper at 5:30 PM Worship at 6:30 PM	9 Confirmation at Calvary 7:15 pm	10 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	11	12
13 HOLY COMMUNION Ushers: Dixie & Marly Engler Reader: Dixie Engler Communion Filler: Dixie Engler Communion Helpers: Margo M & Marsha Ness	14	15 Council 6:30 PM	16 Confirmation at Calvary 7:15 pm	17 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	18	19
20 NOISY OFFERING & SUNDAY SCHOOL Ushers: Stan & Donna Kimmes Reader: Judy Faymoville Sunday school after church Dining out at Backwoods Bar & Grill	21	22	23 Confirmation at Calvary 7:15 pm	24Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	25	26
27 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE Ushers: Kelly & Margaret Booge Reader: Kelly Booge	28	59	30Food Shelf 8:30 am to 12:30 pm Confirmation at Calvary 7:15 pm	31 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM		

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Year to date income: \$53,377.18

Transfer from Capital Improvements Fund: \$9,276.40

Year to date expense: \$56,294.05

Income less expenses: \$6,359.52

Our weekly offering goal for this year is \$2,170

Year to date Regular Offering Goal \$52,701.44

Year to date Regular Offering \$54,250

Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 15th at 6:30 PM

Dining out will be at Northwoods Bar & Grill on Sunday, January 20th at 4:00 PM

AARDAHL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 20, 2018 MINUTES

PRESENT: Pastor Pete, Mick L. Sue W, Donna K, John R, Connie B, Sandy S

Absent: Clark C, Aaron D, Beckie T, Margaret B.

The meeting began with a presentation by Jean Rains from the Northwestern Minnesota Synod explaining our connection and responsibility to the synod.

Secretaries Report: A motion was made to accept the report by Sue and seconded by John.

Treasures Report: Checking account: \$27,952.76 Savings: \$4,016.89, Furnace: \$3,649.95 and \$3,207.40 remaining in the Capital improvement fund. A motion to accept the report was made by Connie and seconded by Donna.

Committee Reports:

Kitchen Committee: The final figure from the ABC sale is \$4,217 minus \$200 going to Churches United.

Education Committee: Sunday School will be working on a project for Churches United. The Confirmation class is sharing with Calvary and will be working on services projects.

Altar Guild: New banners are being purchased.

Worship/Lay Liturgy: We will be partnering with Trinity for Advent services. Aardahl will hold service on the 5th and 19th at 7:00. Christmas Eve service will be at 6:30. The Pastor will be going on vacation from Christmas Day until New Years Day.

Properties/ Maintenance: The flooring is complete and no new projects are in the works.

Pastor's Comments: The Pastor explained that he is serving on several boards.

He also relayed a thank you from Churches United after their presentation. Old Business: We have Benevolences going to the following organizations: Food Shelf, Churches United, North Woods Care Givers, Hospice, & Lutheran Campus Ministries.

New Business:

It was approved to have Wade Julien continue snow plowing.

It was brought to our attention that some people would like more visits from the Pastor. He would like to be alerted if someone is in need of a visit.

The Frohn 4-H club has requested use of our fellowship hall for their meetings. We are receptive to the idea as long as parameters are set. We will need more information and request a representative from the club to attend our next council meeting.

Adjournment and Lord's Prayer: A motion to adjourn was made by Connie and seconded by Donna.

PRAYER CONCERNS

<u>In need of healing:</u> Jane Richer, Fran Danielson, Jeff Danielson, Joel Steffen, Beckie Thole, Glen & Marlene Moore

Those living in care facilities: Glen & Marlene Moore

Those who are grieving:

<u>And:</u> Please pray for our Sister Congregation and Seminary in Madagascar, Tsararano Lutheran Church and Betela Lutheran Seminary



And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:16-17

CELEBRATIONS & MILESTONES

BIRTHDAYS

8th **Dave Bergstrom Taylor Otness** 10th Maija Otness 13th Mason Woodford 14th John Rubash 15th **Brandon Puschinsky** 17th Judy Faymoville **22nd** Art Sundahl 29th Darrell Smith 31st

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Dick & Marge Andersen 15th Pr. Pete & Kim Warren 17th

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Dick & Margie Andersen, Judy Faymoville, Judy Hawkenson, Carol Iverson, Stan Kimmes, Chery & Mick Lee, Harry Wetzel, Austin, Autumn & Nash Skime, Sheri Eklund & Mason Woodford, Logan Christman



AARDAHL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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