

March 2019

## AARDAHL AMBASSADOR

*“<sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me” Matthew 25:35*

March is the MN Food Share Campaign. It is a statewide fundraiser for our local food shelves. For the Bemidji Community Food Shelf, it is the main fundraiser that keeps us going thru the summer. The MN Food Share Campaign has opportunities for grants that will partially match the money that is raised during the campaign.

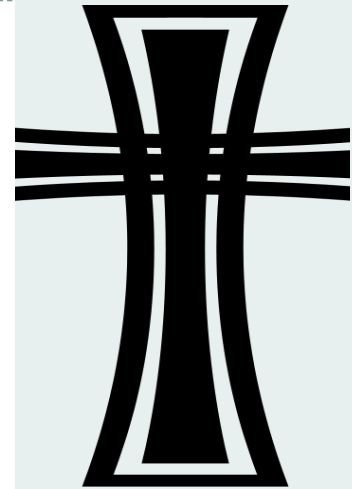
Our food shelf recently held its annual meeting at Bethel Lutheran Church and there is a copy of the annual report available at the church. Here are a couple of numbers that I want to highlight for you from 2018:

- 11,234 families were served
- 39,860 individuals were served
- Of those individuals 15,886 were under 18 years old!
- Of the people that utilize the food shelf, half of them come only once or twice a year.
- 791,009 pounds of food was distributed!!

One other thing to note is that our food shelf does most of this with volunteers! We have a few paid staff, but there are hundreds of people who volunteer their time each month to help the food shelf. There are so many jobs that we can do at the food shelf: cooking samples, stocking shelves, helping shoppers, and interviewers.

There is one other area that they are looking for help and that is with the farm. They need help with the planting in the spring and then weeding and harvesting. In years past, they have harvested over 10,000 pounds of veggies! If you have a green thumb and want to help, contact Jack Judkins, who is the acting farm manager. Also, the Harvest Ball will be on Thursday, October 3rd, for you to put on your calendar.

Thank you so much for supporting this precious ministry! When we take care of the least of these, we are taking care of God.



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### MARCH COFFEE HOUR SERVERS

- March 3— Booges, Magnussens, & **VOLUNTEER**
- March 10—Andersons, Steffens, & **VOLUNTEER**
- March 17— Williamsons, Smiths & **VOLUNTEER**
- March 24— **PIE SUNDAY!!**
- March 31— **VOLUNTEERS**



## FUTURE EVENTS—SOME ITEMS TO PUT ON

### *March*

Ash Wednesday 3/6 7:00 PM

Wednesday Lenten Supper & Service 13, 20, 27

Dining out—3/17 @ Chop House 4:00 PM

### *April*

Lenten Supper & Service 3 & 10

Maundy Thursday Dinner & A Movie 4/18

Good Friday Worship 4/19

Easter Sunday Breakfast & Worship 4/20

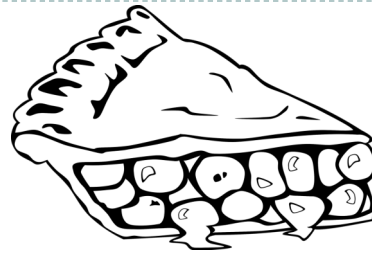
“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” Matthew 18:20

Lent is coming!!!

Ash Wednesday Service will be on March 6th at 7:00 PM

After that, the regular Wednesday Lenten activities will begin on March 13th at 6:00 pm with supper followed by worship at 7:00 pm. We will use the Holden Evening Prayer Service and we will need volunteers to help lead.

Also, we need people to bring in food, serve it and clean up. Check out the clipboards to sign up!



## Pie Sunday is Back!!!!!!

On Sunday, March 24th, bring a pie to share for the Fellowship Hour after church.

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the fellowship hall

## **THRIVENT FINANCIAL MEMBERS**

All Thrivent members who are eligible for "Choice Dollars" are encouraged to call the toll free number 1-800-847-4836 and designate their "Choice Dollars." Please call or go on-line to do so even if you have called before this year as we have up to the end of March to designate for 2018. Thank you! Alverna Michalko, Advocate for Thrivent

# March 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
<b>3 HOLY COMMUNION</b> Ushers: Marsha Ness Reader: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Communion Filler: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Communion Helpers: Margaret L & <b>VOLUNTEER</b>	4	5	6 Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 PM	7 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	1/8	2/9
<b>10 HOLY COMMUNION</b> Ushers: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Reader: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Communion Filler: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Communion Helpers: Judy H. & <b>VOLUNTEER</b> .	11	12	13 Lenten Supper 6:00 Worship 7:00 PM	14 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	15	16
<b>17 NOISY OFFERING &amp; SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> Ushers: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Reader: Bonnie Andreson <b>Dining out at T.R. Chop House @ 4:00 PM</b>	18	19 Council 6:30 PM	20 Lenten Supper 6:00 Worship 7:00 PM	21 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	22	23
<b>24 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE</b> Ushers: Magnussens Reader: Judy Faymoville	25	26	27 Lenten Supper 6:00 Worship 7:00 PM	28 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Quilters 1:00 PM	29 Food Shelf 8:30 to 12:300	30
<b>31 SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE</b> Ushers: <b>VOLUNTEER</b> Reader: Tim Williamson						

**MONTHLY  
FINANCIAL  
REPORT**

*Year to date income:  
\$75,083.62*

*Transfer from  
Capital  
Improvements Fund:  
\$9,276.40*

*Year to date  
expense:  
\$80,117.23*

*Income less  
expenses:  
\$4,242.79*

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

***Year to date  
Regular Offering  
Goal \$73,780***

***Year to date  
Regular Offering  
\$68,248.26***

**Council Meeting  
will be on  
Tuesday, March 19  
at 6:30 PM**

***Dining out will  
be at the Turtle  
River Chop  
House on  
Sunday, March  
17 at 4 PM***

**AARDAHL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 2019 MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Pastor Pete, Mick L, Sue W, Donna K, John R, Connie B, Margaret B, Aaron D,

**Absent:** Beckie T, Clark C, Sandy S.

The meeting was called to order by vice president Mick L. and Pastor Pete read a devotion entitled "Remember Who You Are"

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

Treasures Report: Checking account: \$28,149.13 Savings: \$4,030.32, Furnace: \$3,649.95 and \$6005.49

in the Capital improvement fund. A motion to accept the report was made by Connie and seconded by John.

Committee Reports:

Education Committee: Sunday School made pizza dough last Sunday in connection with the lesson. The Pastor is gathering ideas from parents for V.B.S. to possibly be held in August.

Kitchen Committee: The following distributions were made:

Lutefisk start up:	\$5,000
Peoples Church Donation:	\$ 250
General Fund:	\$6,000
Capital Improvement:	\$2,798.09

Altar Guild: New white and green banners have been purchased.

Worship/Lay Liturgy: We are gearing up for Lent and are looking for help to lead the service.

Properties/ Maintenance: There is no big project in the works but the fund is there for emergencies. As expected, propane and snow plowing costs have been high this month.

Pastor's Comments: The Pastor reported that visitations will pick up when the weather warms.

Old Business: There will be a Pot Luck and fund raiser for the Peoples Church on Sunday, Feb. 24th with the Kitchen Committee matching donations up to \$250.

New Business:

We need suggestions for "Dining Out." There will be a suggestion basket in the back of the fellowship hall.

Delegates are needed for the Synod Assembly June 7-9.

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

## PRAYER CONCERNS

**In need of healing:** Greg Marotte, 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:**

**And:** Please pray for our Sister Congregation and Seminary in Madagascar, Tsararano Lutheran Church and Betela Lutheran Seminary



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<sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. Matthew 16:24-25

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## CELEBRATIONS & MILESTONES

### BIRTHDAYS

Sarah Wetzel	11th
Tomy Hegland	13th
Fran Danielson	17th
Wendy Otness	24th
Mike Lauderbaugh	28th

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Marlyn & Dixie Engler	8th
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### BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Bella Drevlow  
Darrel Baltzell  
Willow Drevlow  
Eli Christtman



**AARDAHL LUTHERAN  
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