

June 2020

AARDAHL AMBASSADOR

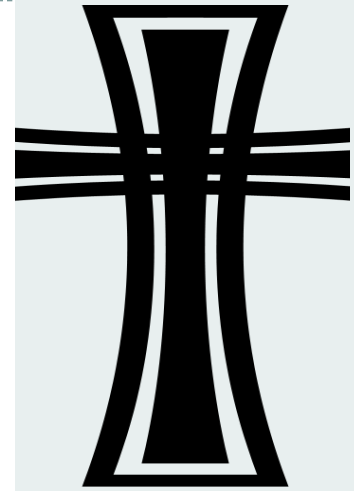
“Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.” Romans 8:26

I don't know about you, but for most of this past year, I have felt overwhelmed by all that is happening in our world. Many people were hopeful that 2020 would be the start of a great decade, one that is so much better than the previous 10 years... so how's that working out for you? Do you remember in January, when Australia was on fire? Yeah, I had completely forgotten about it in light of Covid-19, the economic shutdown and people subsequently protesting the shutdown. Schools were closed and teachers and students transitioned to online learning. And then we witnessed the death of George Floyd and the protests that were unleashed. And then the riots began... It's been a crazy few months.

It has been overwhelming in so many ways and to top it off, we have not been able to turn to our normal places of comfort. Bars were closed, sports have been cancelled, gyms and hair salons were closed. We have not been able to gather in our normal ways. Then again, normal is just a setting on the dryer. Everything is constantly changing, always has been, but it is hard when change is forced upon us. We have also had to find different ways to worship God. For many of us, it's been a drastic change to worship, study and gather virtually. I hope that you are able to find comfort in these times of trouble.

If nothing else, these times have shown us that we need God more than ever. And sometimes, we do not know what to say, or how to say it. And that is okay, because as the Apostle Paul tells us, the Spirit will speak for us, with sighs and groans that are too deep for us to understand. When we don't know what to say, we can be silent. God knows what is on our hearts. It is okay to stop and just be silent. Take a few deep breaths and let the Holy Spirit speak for you. We might not know what she is saying, but God does and God loves it and God loves you!

Peace, Pastor Pete



INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Food Shelf	2
Online Giving	2
Annual Meeting.....	2
June Calendar	3
May Minutes	4
Vital Stats	4
Celebrations & Prayer Concerns.....	5
Council Roster.....	6
Pie Sunday Drawing..	6

ZOOM GATHERINGS

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

863 6694 2313

Thursday Morning Coffee Break

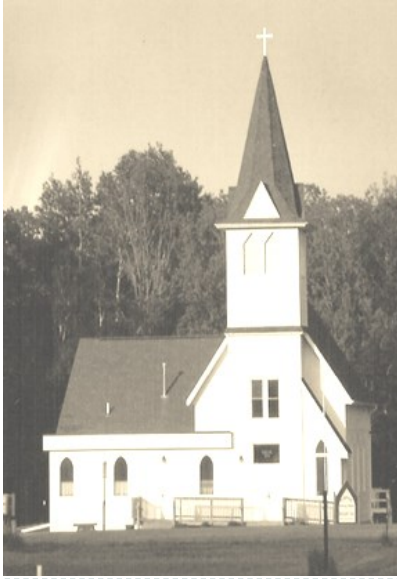
891 3197 2818

Thursday Afternoon Coffee Break

876 2742 6197

The Password for all of these gatherings is:

Aardahl



FOOD SHELF UPDATE

The totals are in for this year's March Foodshare!! Because of Covid-19, the deadline was extended and this our best year yet! This year, the Bemidji Community Food Shelf raised \$207,107.62 and received 23,691 pounds of food. That is the most money that they have raised in the last 17 years during the March Foodshare. Thank you for participating and helping out!

The Food Shelf is also once again accepting donations and are looking into ways to safely bring volunteers back into the building. Thank you!!!!

We are looking for people who would like to share their musical talents in our Sunday morning videos. Please talk with Pastor Pete to find out to share your gifts.

Outdoor Worship & Annual Meeting Sunday, June 28, 2020

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 28th, weather permitting. We will have it outside of the church. Please bring a lawn chair and join us at 8:30 am for worship and meeting.



Electronic giving is a convenient, easy solution when you don't have cash or a checkbook. In just seconds, you can make a weekly offering, respond to an appeal or set up recurring payments.

- Give in the moment with a fast, one-time donation.
- Give anywhere, anytime from your computer, smartphone or tablet.
- Donate directly to your favorite funds.

To learn more about giving online or through our GivePlus mobile app, contact our church office or visit our website:

<https://www.aardahllutheran.com>

June 2020 Aardahl

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 8:30 AM
COFFEE SERVED AFTER THE SERVICE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Council 6:30 PM	3 Online Bible Study 10:30 AM	4 Zoom Coffee Breaks 10 AM & 3:00 PM	5	6
7 WORSHIP—Online Drive-In Worship Service at the Fairgrounds 10:00 AM	8 Pastor Pete is on vacation June 8- 14	9	10	11	12	13
14 WORSHIP—Online Drive-In Worship Service at the Fairgrounds 10:00 AM	15	16 Council 6:30 PM	17 Online Bible Study 10:30 AM	18 Zoom Coffee Breaks 10 AM & 3:00 PM	19	20
21 WORSHIP—Online Drive-In Worship Service at the Fairgrounds 10:00 AM	22	23	24 Online Bible Study 10:30 AM	25 Zoom Coffee Breaks 10 AM & 3:00 PM	26	27
28 OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT AARDAHL 8:30 AM ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE	29	30				

**MONTHLY
FINANCIAL
REPORT**

*Year to date income:
\$108,457*

Transfer from
Capital Improve-
ments Fund
\$5,397

*Year to date
expense:
\$111,688*

*Income less
expenses:
\$2,166*

***Our weekly
offering goal
\$2,261***

***Year to date
Regular Offering
Goal \$108,528***

***Year to date
Regular Offering
\$100,306***

**Council Meeting
will be on
Tuesday,
June 16th at
6:30 PM**

Aardahl Lutheran Church
May 5, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes via Zoom meeting

Present: Pastor Pete, Mick L., Wendy O., Donna K., Tim W., John R., Connie B., Sandy S., and Sue W.

Absent: Aaron D. and Margaret B.

Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm by Vice President Mick Lee

Approval of April minutes: Donna moved/John seconded. Carried.
Reports:

Treasurer's report: Checking \$19,928.99, Savings \$15, 050.94 at the end of April. Connie moved/John seconded acceptance of Treasurer's report narrative.

Education Committee

Altar Guild

Worship Committee-Thanks to Pastor Pete and Wayne for the services! We continue to have non-members watching services, which is great.

Kitchen Committee

Properties/Maintenance Committee

Pastor's Comments/Concerns

Old Business:

Corona virus and Aardahl- short discussion regarding members meeting in the parking lot to visit. General consensus was that would not be in our best interest. Pastor Pete would be happy to assist with setting up a Zoom meeting for anyone who would like to "get-together" and visit.

New Business:

Online giving through Vanco payments-Two people have set up this payment option. No particular feedback at this point.

Annual Meeting contingency plan-our Constitution states that our Annual meeting will be held the 4th Sunday in June. We may need to determine how that will happen if we continue to be affected by the Corona virus and shelter-in-place restrictions.

The Bishop is providing good guidance to congregations and our Synod does have grants to assist congregations with technology needs.

Pastor asked about interest in having a Zoom meeting at 10am on Sunday morning for Fellowship. We all thought it would be a great idea!

Adjournment: 7:15pm Connie moved/Donna seconded meeting adjourn.

Pastor Pete shared a closing prayer and led us in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Otness, Secretary

PRAYER CONCERNS

In need of healing: Bonnie Anderson, Margie Andersen, Richard Oien, Wyatt Tecklenburg, Beckie Thole, Lon Engler, Judy Hawkenson, Jane Richer, Fran Danielson, Joel Steffen, Marlene Moore

Our Service members: Johnny Baltzell

Those living in care facilities: Marlene Moore, Beckie Thole, Fran Danielson, Judy Hawkenson

Those who are grieving:

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



While they were praying, the place where they were meeting trembled and shook. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak God's Word with fearless confidence. Acts 4:31 from The Message

JUNE CELEBRATIONS & MILESTONES

BIRTHDAYS

Lori Lauderbaugh	3 rd
Laura Christman	4 th
Nicholas Mutchler	4 th
Jim Armstrong	7 th
George Wells	10 th
Antonio Arce	10 th
Pastor Pete	11 th
Callie Dubbe	13 th
Kelly Booge	15 th
Marlyn Engler	15 th
Sorren Smith	22 nd
Marcus Warren	22 nd
Cierrah Smith	23 rd
Beckie Thole	28 th

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Darrell & Ferel Baltzell	1 st
Chad & Karen Puschinsky	8 th
Noel & Nancy Benson	9 th
Joel & Sandy Steffen	15 th
Steve & Enid Peterson	22 nd
Darin & Amber Cooper	24 th
Art & Kathy Sundahl	25 th

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Joel Steffen
Tomy Hegland
John Rubash
Kyla Jo Langerak
Sarah Wetzel
Brandon Mutchler
Cale Puschinsky
Karla Wells
Cierrah Smith
Bentley Wildman

AARDAHL LUTHERAN
CHURCH

Aardahl Lutheran Church is a
member of the Evangelical
Lutheran Church in America.

Pastor Peter Warren
(218) 760-6974
pastor.peter.warren@gmail.com

Parish Nurse
Wendy Otness
766-3169
WendyOtness@hotmail.com

Secretary
Kim Warren

Church Musician
Wayne Hoff

Aardahl's Church Council

Aaron Dubbe—*President*

Mick Lee—*Vice President*

Wendy Otness—*Secretary*

Margaret Booge—*Treasurer*

Connie Bowman

Donna Kimmes

John Rubash

Sandy Steffen

Sue Wells

Tim Williamson

Pie Sunday on Father's Day

Aardahl Lutheran Church

2920 Van Buren Ave SE
Bemidji, MN 56601

Phone: 218-444-8865
www.aardahllutheran.com
E-mail: aardahl@paulbunyan.net

Margaret Booge has offered to make two pies that we will give away on Father's Day. Send in your ticket to either the church or Margaret's home:
6029 Little Bass Lk Rd NE

Donations to the kitchen committee (Aardahl Auxiliary) are greatly appreciated, but not necessary to enter. The drawing will be held on Sunday, June 21st and the pies will be delivered that afternoon. Good luck and thank you for supporting the kitchen committee!

Pie Drawing

Name:

Phone No.