

JULY

Parish The Thought

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BALTIC AND EAST NIDAROS LUTHERAN PARISH
Two Churches - One Parish - Centered on the Cross



UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Sun Jul 3 | Holy Communion |
| Mon Jul 4 | Happy 4th of July |
| Wed Jul 6 | 8:30-12:00 East Nidaros Quilting
7:00 East Nidaros Council Meeting |
| Thu Jul 7 | 8:30-12:00 East Nidaros Quilting
9:15 PQ Holy Communion @ DNRC & Orchard Hills |
| Sun Jul 10 | 5:00 Northern Rim Youth Trip Meeting @ Renner |
| Tue Jul 12 | 6:30 Baltic Council Meeting |
| Mon Jul 18 | Newsletter Deadline |
| Sat Jul 23-30 | Northern Rim Youth Trip |
| Thu Jul 28 | 9:00 Bulletin & Newsletter Assembly |
| Sun Jul 31 | Holy Communion |



JULY PULPIT POST

“For Freedom”

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1-2

On July 4th, in the United States, we remember and celebrate the freedoms we as a nation appreciate. As I am writing this post, our country also just highlighted Juneteenth as another important day in our history marking the end of slavery in our country. Much of the language that is used relating to freedom in our country is the same language that is used in scripture regarding our slavery to sin. Freedom doesn't just happen. There is no need for freedom unless there is the recognition of slavery. There is no need for anyone to go to war or for there to be death unless there is someone to be released from some kind of slavery. Our country has engaged in many battles throughout our country's history and many people have fought and died for this freedom and we can be assured that wars to maintain these freedoms are not over.

While there is similar language in our country's freedom and the freedom talked about in scripture there is a great distinction as well. There was only one battle fought for our freedom from sin, death, and the devil. Instead of many people going to battle and giving their lives for this freedom, Christ himself, Christ alone, went to the cross for everyone else. And when this battle against sin and the devil ended, there was no other battle to engage into.

In these two verses from Galatians, Paul reminds us that the war is over. When Jesus spoke his last words from the cross, "It is finished." that is exactly what he meant. This became Paul's message that needed to be proclaimed often. Even though we speak about the freedoms we appreciate, there is also a desire to return to slavery. It is often our desire to go back to what enslaved us and see if we can win our own battles rather than simply give thanks for what someone else has done for us.

I hope that you are enjoying some freedoms this summer. Maybe you feel a sense of freedom by not going to school every day or the freedom from cold weather and heating bills. I do hope you appreciate the freedoms we have in this country and remember the many people who

made sacrifices for these freedoms. But even more so, remember for freedom, Christ has set you free. There is nothing you can do to make yourself freer than what Christ has already done for you. Christ bore the yoke of your slavery to sin so that you never wish to return. For this we give thanks.

Hoping you have a great summer, Pastor Randall

MAY PARISH RECORD CHANGES

BALTIC

New Members: *No Changes*

Transfers Out: *Gary & Deb*
Sinding

Baptisms: *Evelyn Soyer*

Weddings: *No Changes*

Deaths: *No Changes*

EAST

New Members: *No Changes*

Transfers Out: *No Changes*

Baptisms: *Colt Zuehlke*

Weddings: *No Changes*

Deaths: *No Changes*

The Following Gifts Have Been Given As Memorials:

East Nidaros: In Memory of

Vera Mae Young East Nidaros Lutheran Church \$110.00

East Nidaros Building Fund \$20.00

East Nidaros Technology Fund \$10.00

*Thank
you*

BALTIC May NOISY CAN:

\$211.21 for Northern Rim Youth Trip

EAST APRIL NOISY CAN:

N/A for Baltic VFW



Baltic Council Minutes

May 10, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Baltic Lutheran Church Council was held at East Nidaros Lutheran Church May 10, 2022. Council members present were: Shirlene Allgier, Karen Sinding, John Sinding, Al VanEck, Dick Berg, Lori Berg, J. Serna, Jeff Boldt, Myron Nohava, Diana Nohava, and Pastor Randall. Not present: Gary Gregg and Bryce Witzel.

Karen Sinding called the meeting to order.

Motion by Myron Nohava and second by Al VanEck to approve the April minutes. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Diana Nohava has been hired as Treasure/Financial Secretary as of May 1, 2022. Joan Boldt and Kari Radack as backups.

Diana handed out an update on her position and responsibilities. April reports have not been finalized because they were out of balance. Diana has put a lot of work in already on getting everything organized and in order.

Trustees' Report:

Brett has outside camera access. Brett also contacted the council about tree roots. He had spoken with a Roto Rooter rep about Root-X. Myron made a motion to treat the tree roots twice per year at the cost of \$304 per year. Second by Al. Motion carried.

Our sign is done, we will owe \$400 plus excise tax after installation.

We have window screens in the lower level that need to be fixed.

Myron stated that the landscaping work with the new sidewalks will also be donated.

Deacons' Report:

Noisy Can for June 2022: Al VanEck made a motion for noisy can go to the Adam Thompson Foundation, and July will go to Air Conditioner Fund, second by Myron Nohava. Motion carried.

Thank you, cards were sent out to Sunday School teachers and volunteers.

Old Business:

Air Conditioner Bids - J. Serna made a motion to go forward with Waterbury quote of \$15,129.23 which includes electrical and city inspection for new A/C, down payment to hold by May 31, 2022. Second by Dick Berg, motion carried.

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QuickBooks ends May 31, 2022, decision will be made at the joint council meeting.

Personnel committee will have power point presentation on information regarding the Secretary position that has not yet been filled at the joint council meeting.

New Business:

Pastor's Report:

One youth from Baltic Lutheran will be attending the Northern Rim trip. Pastor to report more at the joint council meeting.

Next Council Meeting: June 7, 2022. Baltic Lutheran Church, 6:30pm

Motion by Jeff Boldt and second by Dick Berg to adjourn. Motion carried.

BALTIC GENERAL FUND 2022				
Month	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Year to Date Income	Year to Date Expenses
Jan	\$8,327.00	\$10,460.61	\$8,617.28	\$10,460.61
Feb	\$6,790.00	\$8,293.79	\$15,407.28	\$18,754.40
Mar	\$8,946.00	\$9,084.04	\$24,353.28	\$27,838.44
Apr	\$10,738.72	\$8,533.79	\$35,092.00	\$36,392.23
May	\$7,259.00	\$10,610.48	\$44,351.00	\$47,002.71
Jun*	\$4,585.00	\$4,722.26	\$46,936.00	\$51,724.97

*As of June 21, 2022.

BALTIC BLDG FUND	
Jan	\$75.00
Feb	\$180.00
Mar	\$855.00
Apr	\$40.00
May	\$110.00
Jun	\$45.00
YTD	\$1,305.00

**August Newsletter Deadline:
July 18, 2022**

JULY NOISY CAN
Baltic: Air Conditioning Fund
East: Family Connection



East Nidaros Council Minutes

May 10, 2022

Attendance: Kathy Hegge, David Daugaard, Lori Kappler, Mark Brobjorg, Deb Larson, Connie Karl, Jennifer Hartman, Jesse Hartman, David Dyce
Call to Order: Connie called the meeting to order.

Secretary Report: Minutes were emailed out after the February meeting. No adjustments needed. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Kathy Hegge and seconded by Mark Brobjorg. Motion Carried

Financial Report: Kathy emailed the reports out prior to the meeting for the last 3 months. Property insurance renewed for 2 years and had increased slightly but nothing out of the ordinary. We did receive the dividend check from our portion of the Alliance bill was received and recorded. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Deb Larson and seconded by Mark Brobjorg. Motion carried.

Deacon Report: Noisy Can has been created for the whole year, but not the extra Thanksgiving and Christmas special offerings. We will make those decisions together as a council closer to the dates. The list was given to the office for record keeping and for the newsletter.

Trustee Report: Nothing new to report.

Pastor's Report: East will have 2 students that will be attending the Youth trip. They will be meeting Sunday at Renner Lutheran church. They will be confirming the total amount for each student going at the Sunday meeting.

New Business:

-Eaves on the north side of the church

David Daugaard has purchased the downspouts and gutters for the North side. Just need to get a lift to get that changed.

-Keys

Discussion was had prior to the meeting for rekeying the doors. A motion was made to rekey the doors by Jennifer Hartman and seconded by David Dyce. Motion passed. Kathy Hegge will make a list of who needs keys and report back to the council via email between meetings. Jesse will call to set up the rekeying of the doors. We will have a sign out and tracking of who has keys after the doors are rekeyed.

- Shingles need to be looked at after the high winds for damage. And the gutters need to be cleared out, they were draining on the sidewalk. The trustee committee will take care of these items.
- We will be receiving a donation of beans. Connie will email out when she knows more about the donation.
- Livestreaming: Kayla Kappler will be done in the middle of August when she moves to Vermillion. We need a list of people who can do the livestreaming every week. A suggestion was made that the council members rotate through the weeks. We would be working in teams with the livestream and the PowerPoint. A motion was made by Deb Larson and seconded by Kathy Hegge to have the council members rotate and run the livestreaming/PowerPoints in teams. Motion passed. Lori will be setting up a schedule for training and for rotations.
- QuickBooks is up at the end of the month. QuickBooks is not supporting the hardcopy of the software program. Kathy is working to get the copy of the 501c3 letter from the ELCA synod for East Nidaros. If we do not have the letter by the end of the month, we will purchase the online option of QuickBooks until we get into the program that Baltic will be using through TechSoup.

Next meeting to be scheduled with the next Joint Meeting at Baltic. A motion to adjourn was made by Jennifer Hartman and seconded by Deb Larson.

Month	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Year to Date Income	Year to Date Expenses
Jan	\$3,741.47	\$5,971.66	\$3,741.47	\$5,971.66
Feb	\$4,762.88	\$5,299.25	\$8,504.35	\$11,270.91
Mar	\$5,315.93	\$9,630.07	\$13,820.28	\$20,900.28
Apr	\$8,392.08	\$6,174.07	\$22,212.36	\$27,075.05
May	\$11,086.84	\$11,207.48	\$33,299.20	\$38,282.53
Jun*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*As of June 29, 2022.

East Nidaros is also in need of volunteers for the Altar committee. If you would like to volunteer please call Connie Karl 608-386-8139.

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

July 3

East Nidaros

Ron & Kristie Krogstad 360-2725
Randy & Trudy Hartman 351-7958

July 10

East Nidaros

Dan & Cindi Schmidt 310-7204
Rosalie Riswold-Brende 376-0452

July 17

East Nidaros

Dave & Connie Karl 608-386-8139
Diane Fueston 212-2594

July 24

East Nidaros

Tom & Becky Siemonsma 359-2151
Dan & Patty Frantz 529-6556

July 31

East Nidaros

Rob & Katie Siemonsma 359-5678
Lori Kappler 321-2018

July 10 & 17

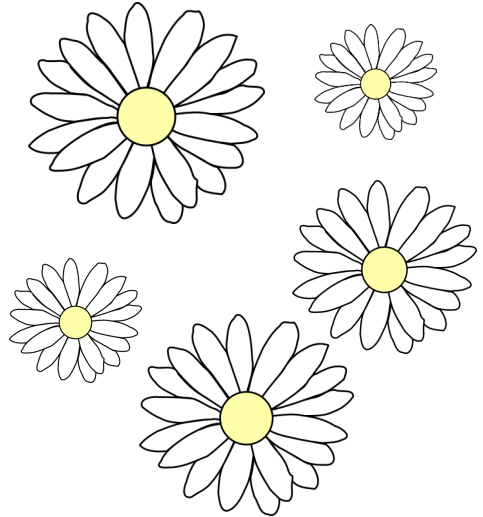
Baltic

Sherry Hanson 610-7968
Bonnie Johnson 496-1419
Julius & Shirlene Allgier 201-0670

July 24 & 31

Baltic

Myron & Diana Nohava 366-9664
Bob & Ann Sittig 529-5854
Jim & Trista Bohlen 507-215-0038



Save your seat for the Bus Tour to Minneapolis/St. Paul
Friday and Saturday, July 29-30, 2022

Tours of Lutheran World Relief Headquarters

Dinner and Cruise on the Mississippi.

Cost: \$225-Includes bus fare, hotel, river cruise and dinner.
Contact Kathy Heffernan for more information 605-324-3638



MEMBERS

Tanya Vollan - Paul Romsdahl
Betty Jean Benjamin - Donna Lee Boyd
Ryan Voeltz - Rhoda Wold
Ella Riswold - Dorothy Sittig
Rick Fiala - Jimmie Vollan - Shari Fowlds

FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

The Family of Robert Boldt
Darrel McMahon—Brother of Ann Romsdahl
John Jorgensen—Friend of the Community
Brenda Bertrand—Mother of Julius Allgier
Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community
Clara Shank Gabrielle—Cousin of Karen Doom
Gordon Dierkson—Father of Gary Dierkson
Michael Gross—Friend of Jesse and Jenni Hartman
Laura Ann Olson—Friend of the Community
Sherry Schroeder—Sister of Dixie Fiala
Jean Berge — Mother of Deb Gunderson
Todd Leffring— Brother of Janet Leffring

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED.....

Please remember due to federal regulations, hospitals cannot inform the church of your admission without you giving them your permission. Likewise the Pastor cannot call or visit you if you are sick without your permission. If you would like a visit please notify the church office at 529-5471 or e-mail nidaros@alliancecom.net.

Foot Care Clinic is in need of volunteers from **both** Baltic and East Nidaros to sign up to greet patients, hand out receipts after payment and visit with them while they wait for the nurse.

The clinic is held the 1st Thursday of every other month.

Those dates are August 4th, October 6th and December 1st.

Please call the church office to volunteer. 605-529-5471 Thank you.

VBS 2022: “Hay Day”

Growing in Friendship with Jesus

Location: East Nidaros Lutheran Church

Date: 8/12/2022

Time: 9:00 – 2:30

Ages: 4-12

Lunch will be provided.

Register by 8/5/2022

All Are Welcome!



Registration: <https://forms.gle/yFSXLkzhzgRyRdRi8>

Volunteers are needed to make VBS a success.
If you are interested please contact Lori Kappler 605-321-2018



FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Monetary Donations
always Welcome!

Donations can be mailed to:
PO Box 244 Baltic SD 57003

- Sugar
- Canned Chicken
- Tuna
- Pancake Syrup
- Cake Mixes
- Salad Dressing
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- BBQ Sauce
- Knorr Sides
(Pasta & Rice)
- Personal Hygiene
Items
- Mac-n-cheese
- Coffee
- Laundry Soap
- Boxed Noodles
- Cookie Mixes
- Saltine Crackers
- Snack Crackers
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Alfredo Sauce
- Granola Bars
- Peanut Butter
- Juice
- Dish soap
- Flour
- Snacks
- Jelly
- Pop Tarts
- Oil

**NO OPENED,
PARTIALLY USED
OR
OUTDATED ITEMS
PLEASE**

Items may be dropped off at
the Baltic School in the red
box in the Commons or in
the Baltic Narthex or
East Nidaros Fellowship Hall.

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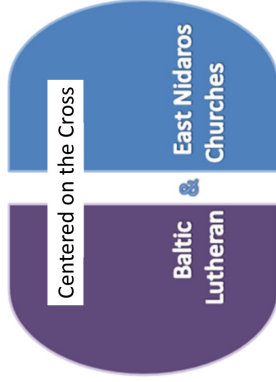
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