

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thu Aug 3 9am—3pm Foot Care Clinic @ Baltic Lutheran
Tue Aug 8 6pm Baltic Council Meeting
6pm East Council Meeting
7pm Joint Council Meeting All held at Baltic Lutheran
Aug 11-13 DOG DAYS in Baltic
Sun Aug 13 10am Church in the Park Baltic Heights.
NO Services at Baltic or East
Wed Aug 16 6:30-7:30pm Food Bank open
Mon Aug 21 **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
Sat Aug 26 10:30-11:30am Food Bank open
Thu Aug 31 9am Newsletter Assembly



August 2023 Pulpit Post
“Where Faith Becomes Life”

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

Romans 1:17

“Where Faith Becomes Life” is the central theme of Lutheran Outdoors. Lutheran Outdoors in South Dakota is the umbrella organization that oversees the following three camps: Outlaw Ranch *in the Hills*, Nesodak *at the water*, and Klein Ranch *on the prairie*. These three Lutheran camps provide different settings (hills, water, and prairie) for campers of all ages to learn more about what it means to live by faith.

After a great deal of challenging planning and unavoidable changes of plans over the past year, our Northern Rim Youth Group loaded up two vans after each of our worship services on July 16th and headed to the most rustic of these camping options, Klein Ranch near Isabel, SD. Our youth group was especially privileged to attend this year as Teri Gayer, camp director, will be stepping down after serving this unique camp for more than three decades. Her dedication to making sure each camper’s stay at Klein was a great experience was evident by matching horses to youth, removing snakes that might become a threat to campers, recruiting quality camp counselors, providing flexibility to programs depending on what might work better for the day, caring for the needs of adult advisors and making tasty meals three times a day that satisfied the appetites of the largest group that attended Klein Ranch this summer. It was great to stand back and watch the faith of the Northern Rim group come to life as they engaged in activities, they might not have been comfortable doing elsewhere. After the second day, you could see how the Northern Rim groups and campers from Gloria Dei and St. John’s in Madison began to meld together. There also was an added benefit realized from engaging with youth and staff from other parts of the world and learning from their cultures.

Although not planned or expected always, at the center of this camping experience is faith. Faith that is planted in ways and places that are not for us to know or to question. We can be thankful for the dedication of counselors who do what they do only because they care for kids and for the Teri Gayers of camps who have dedicated their lives in serving youth. Our parish appreciates your continued support and encouragement of our youth as their faith goes with them in their lives.

Pastor Randall J. Questad

Thank you!

Thank you for all the greetings and birthday cards I received for my special day. I really appreciated all the kindness everyone shared with me. Rhoda Wold

UPCOMING EVENTS

BALTIC WELCA will be hosting a Bake Sale on August 12th during Dog Days in the Baltic Legion from 9:00 – 1:00. If you would like to donate any bars, pies, breads, cakes, cookies, canned goods, fresh produce, etc., please have it to the Legion by no later than 8:30 that morning. If you are going to be out of town and would still like to contribute, please contact one of the officers and you can drop off with us or we can pick up. Last year we had a very successful sale and hope for one again this year. Thanks in advance.

Vacation Bible School
Location: East Nidaros Lutheran
Date: 8/11/2023
Time: 9:00 – 2:30
Ages: 4-12
Lunch will be provided!

Register by 8/4/2023
All Are Welcome!



Registration:
<https://forms.gle/5nvMMc4JhhqDpRQP7>



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



Baltic Council Minutes

June 5, 2023

This monthly meeting of the Baltic Lutheran Church Council was held at Baltic Lutheran Church on June 5, 2023. Council members present were Brett Teveldal, Bryce Witzel, Al Van Eck, Terry Snow, Jeff Boldt, Diana Nohava, Kelly LaValliere, Rick Fiala, Pastor Randall Questad. Also present was Lisa Skelly.

Rick Fiala called the meeting to order.

Pastor Randall opened in prayer.

Brett Teveldal made a motion to approve May 9, 2023, meeting minutes.

Second by Diana Nohava. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Building insurance went up 21%. Dick Berg will be talking with Grinnell Mutual regarding building insurance and whether it includes bonding.

Congressional giving is behind. The church needs about \$8800 per month.

Discussed whether the council can put together a letter reviewing options for giving, including Auto Pay. Church would need a mobile phone for Venmo route, so this is not an option at this time. Diana Nohava will be done at the end of June.

Al Van Eck made motion to approve financial report. Second by Bryce Witzel. Motion carried.

Trustees' Report

Jeff Boldt received e-mail from Dick Erickson regarding claim submitted for paint peeling on the building. This was covered under warranty.

Discussed cracks in parking lot. City has some asphalt work planned, Jeff to find out if able to piggyback onto this project to possibly save on mobilization costs. Estimated cost about \$2500.

No further information regarding closet framing at this time.

Terry Snow will mow the lawn in Myron Nohava's absence for the month of July.

Trustees will need to gather offerings in the month of July and make sure they reach the office following each service.

Diana Nohava made motion to approve that Trevor Paulsen's keys have completed transfer to Rick Fiala. Second by Kelly Lavalliere. Motion carried.

Deacons' Report

No new business.

Old Business

Council discussed Brett Porter, leader of the boy scout troop that meets at the church, using Baltic Lutheran Church's taxpayer ID (EIN). This was approved previously by the church council, but several years prior. It has not given him

access to any church banking or financial information. Al Van Eck to speak with Brett Porter further about different options.

The Church is still in search of a permanent pianist/organist. Church will be utilizing temporary organists/pianist to include Julie VanDam, Crystal Aman, and Marge Hegge. Possibly Shiloh, who works with the Catholic Church in ?

New Business

Dick Berg as a Trustee to report at the next meeting regarding call to insurance company.

Kendra Paulsen's last Sunday is June 25, 2023. Council discussed option for a farewell thank you. Al Van Eck made motion to have council provide gift to thank her for her years of service. Second by Rick Fiala. Motion carried.

Al Van Eck asked the council to consider providing thank you gift to Lori and Kendra Kappler for their work in Vacation Bible School. Brett Teveldal made motion to provide thank you gift from VBS fund. Second by Terry Snow. Motion carried.

The council discussed dispersing funds for Northern Rim participants from Baltic Lutheran Church. Also discussed dispersing travel funds.

Diana Nohava updated the council that a small group is working on updating the constitution. Diana would like Lisa to mail out the constitution draft and synopsis of the changes. Diana requests that the council provide input at next month's meeting to Lisa. Council must approve and give 60 days' notice to the Baltic Lutheran Church congregation who must vote on the constitution. It will then go the Synod for approval. Finally, the approved constitution will need to be ratified at January 2024 Baltic Lutheran Church annual meeting. Will need to discuss replacing Vice president at July's meeting.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Randall attend Synod Assembly at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls. Synod voted on a 5% increase in Pastor pay guidelines. This is a guideline only for churches. Assembly focused highly on rural ministry and the needs of rural churches. Some rural churches are moving towards a circuit model, where not every church is open even Sunday and both congregation and pastor travels to different church each week.

Gary Gregg has been taking care of the sign, but since he is out in Washington, someone will need to help update the sign. Lisa and Pastor have both received a tutorial on the program, but Pastor is asking for other volunteers to help.

Pastor is wondering if the Hegg Brothers would be willing to come help with music for Dog Days of Summer worship August 13, 2023, at 10:00 am. Kelly Lavalliere to help reach out and see if they would be interested and available. Next Baltic Lutheran Council Meeting will be Monday, July 10, 2023.

Rick Fiala made a motion to adjourn. Second by Kelly LaValliere. Motion carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.



East Nidaros Council Minutes June 13, 2023

Attendance:

Connie Karl – President - Present

Lori Kappler – Vice President - Absent

Debra Larson – Treasurer - Present

OPEN – Secretary Open Position/council taking turns with the duties.

Alvina Harvey – Financial Secretary – Present

Jimmie Vollan – Deacon – Present

Rosalie Brende – Deacon – Absent

David Dyce – Deacon – Absent

Mark Brobjorg – Trustee – Present

Rob Krogstad – Trustee – Absent

Pastor Randall Questad - Present

Call to order by President Connie Karl at 7:05PM on June 13

Secretary Report: Reviewed the secretary report. Jimmie moved to accept Secretary report. Mark second. Passed.

Pastor Report: Attended the Synod Assembly. Theme was Cultivate. Interesting Rural South Dakota topic. Approved guidelines for pastors. Northern Rim group meeting on Sunday nights. Payment due 2 weeks before July 16. WELCA will donate \$100 per EN child attending. Motion from Jimmie to pay Kayla \$250 for work on VBS. Second by Mark. Passed.

Treasurer Report: Thankful for all donations leading us in a positive direction. Mark moved to approve; Jimmie seconded. Approved.

Deacon Report: No report.

Trustee Report: Waterbury repaired a/c in sanctuary. Furnace #2 still needs repair. Mark empties dehumidifiers each day. Will change air filters on furnaces. Defib battery to be checked.

Old Business: Connie will announce Scheuer donation in bulletin. Ask for suggestions on use of donation in bulletin. Connie will prepare a thank you. Rob K. will take care of review of roof leak.

Grace Collum (accompanist applicant) will tryout on July 2 and 16 at EN and BL.

Vacation Bible School will be on August 11.

Foster kids carry bag for September Noisy Can. Alvina made motion, Jimmie 2nd. Approved. Next Council Meeting: July 11 – 7pm

Motion to Adjourn: Mark motion to adjourn.



MEMBERS

- Paul Romsdahl - Betty Jean Benjamin
- Donna Lee Boyd - Rhoda Wold
- Ella Riswold - Dorothy Sittig
- Dustin Aspaas - Kent Brende
- Carol Tommeraasen
- Jimmie Vollan—Nathan Vrchota

FRIENDS & FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

- Dennis Riswold—Friend of the Community
- Jay Vogt— Friend of the Community
- Darci Niva –Sister of Ginger Lodmell
- Laurel Mader -Friend of Pastor & Kim Questad
- Tracy Van Dam—Mother-in-law of Danielle Goldammer
- Deb Bender– Cousin of Charlotte Hasvold
- Dale & Carole Frewaldt—Uncle & Aunt of Ryan Voeltz
- Keith Faucett—Kyla Faucett’s (Nesheim) father-in-law
- Kim—Friend of the Community
- Bob Karl—Brother of Dave Karl

The Following Gifts Have Been Given As Memorials:

Baltic: In Memory of

Delores Moe Memorial Fund \$150.00

East: In Memory of

Tanya Vollan Undesignated General Fund \$2980.00 Sunday School \$50.00, Building Fund \$25.00

JUNE PARISH RECORD CHANGES

BALTIC

- New Members: *No Changes*
- Transfers Out: *No Changes*
- Baptisms: *Vaughn Jean Marie Tolk*
Gallagher Kirby Arlene Tolk
- Weddings: *No Changes*
- Deaths: *No Changes*

EAST

- New Members: *No Changes*
- Transfers Out: *No Changes*
- Baptisms: *No Changes*
- Weddings: *No Changes*
- Deaths: *No Changes*

Fellowship Coffee and Treats

BALTIC

July 30 Trista & Jim Bohlen
Aug 6 Crystal & J. Serna

EAST NIDAROS

July 30 Randy & Trudy Hartman
Aug 6 Lori & Kendra Kappler

Aug 20 Lori & Dick Berg
& 27 Shirlene & Julius Allgier

Aug 13 Dan & Patty Franz
& 20 Alyssa Franz

Aug 27 Janet Leffering
Larry Hemmer
Soctt & Susan Hookie



Norma Johnson has a new address and phone.

Her new address is: 6798 N. 67th Plz. #301
Omaha, NE 68152

Her new phone is: (402) 717-6164

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

East Nidaros Parish is looking for 2 Sunday School Teachers. Anyone interested in teaching our youth please contact Nicole Voeltz at 605-940-9851, call or text.

MAIL BOX REMINDER

Please remember to check your church mailbox when attending service as we place things in your mailboxes periodically. Thank you.

**BALTIC June NOISY CAN:
\$ 198.08 Baltic Food Bank**

**EAST June NOISY CAN:
\$196.36 Baltic Food Bank**

THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. DYSMAS
I was in Prison > You Came To Visit Me



St. Dysmas is an ELCA (Evangelical Church in America) congregation located behind the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, SD and Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield, SD. We also support a Sunday evening worship at the Yankton Minimum Unit in Yankton, SD.

AUGUST NOISY CAN

Baltic: St. Dysmas Ministry
East: St. Dysmas Ministry

PROJECT SOS

We are currently accepting school supplies to donate to The Banquet in Sioux Falls. These supplies are given to children in need in our surrounding communities. Please consider donating school supplies this week.

Join Us for Church in the Park on Sunday, August 13 at 10am at the Baltic Heights Park. There will be no services at Baltic Lutheran or East Nidaros this day. See you there!





FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Monetary Donations always Welcome!

Donations can be mailed to:

PO Box 244 Baltic SD 57003

- White Sugar
- Brown Sugar
- Ramen Noodles
- Boxed Potatoes
- Knorr Sides
(Pasta & Rice)
- Canned Pasta
- Boxed Pasta
- Spices
- Breakfast Bars
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pudding
- Jelly
- Taco Seasoning
- Jello
- Juice
- Coffee
- Flour
- Oil
- Sloppy Joe
- Brownie Mix
- Pancake Mix
- Kleenex
- Laundry Soap
- Dish soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Toilet Paper

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

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

The Baltic Lutheran Church and East Nidaros Church are looking for an organist. This person would play Sundays, for the Choir as requested and for special services. If you would like to be considered, please contact the church office at 605-594-5471 or send an email to: nidaros@alliancecom.net

Parish the Thought

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