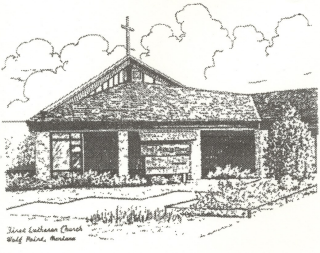


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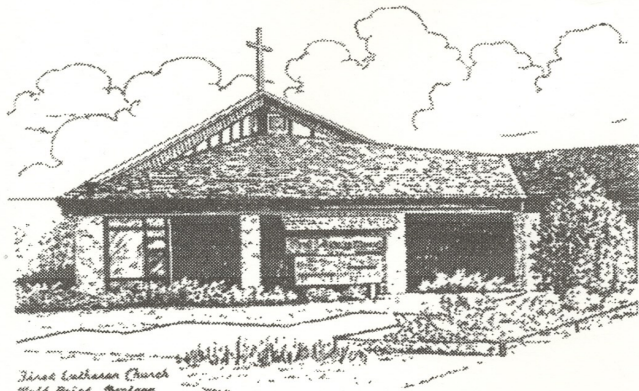
April 7, 2023 at 5:30pm

Please join us for Good Friday Service



Easter Breakfast 9am-10am

April 9, 2023 Easter Service 10:30am



The Parish Caller

April 2023

First Lutheran Church
415 Johnson St.
Wolf Point, MT 59201
406-653-1333
firstlutheranwp@nemont.net
Office hours: Tues—Thurs
8AM to 12PM
Website: firstlutheranwp.org

Sunday Service: 10:30am

Sunday School: 9:45am
2nd Sunday at: 11:30am



FIRST LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIPS

- First Lutheran Memorial Scholarship
- Kent Johnson Memorial Scholarship
- Laura Rathert Memorial Scholarship
- Melvin Thompson Memorial Scholarship
- Bob & Elsie Penner Memorial Scholarship

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Applicant must be a confirmed member of First Lutheran Church of Wolf Point who is planning to pursue post-secondary higher education. Preference will be given to applicants planning to attend or presently attending a Lutheran college or seminary.

Bob & Elsie Penner Memorial Scholarship
Receipt of this award will be given to any member who attends seminary. If there is not anyone, then the scholarship will be awarded to the WPHS Valedictorian.

Application Deadline: May 10, 2023

Bible Study

Join us for bible study
Wednesdays at 1pm.

If you are currently in college and would like to apply, please contact the church office @ 653-1333 or stop by and pick one up.

April 2023

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

1 *April Fools Day*

**Xander Hoffman
*Kaylee Johnson
*David Petersen
Lewis Petrik

2 *Palm Sunday*

*9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
2pm Faith Home Worship*

3

*8:30am Quilting
4:30pm BSK
Logan Wolff

4

*8:30am Quilting
4:30pm BSK
Tyson Bridges

5

6 *Maundy Thursday*

4:30pm BSK

7 *Good Friday*

Service at 5:30pm

**Dwight Larson*

8

**Jason Twitchell
Carl & Cheryll Traeholt

9 *Easter Sunday*

*Easter Breakfast 9am-10am
10:30am Worship*

10

4:30pm BSK

11

*Food Bank
4:30pm BSK
5:30pm Council*

12

1pm Bible Study

13

4:30pm BSK

14

15

**Lora Davis*

16

*9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
Duane Zimmerman

17

*4:30pm BSK
*Summer Garfield
Julie Nygaard

18

4:30pm BSK

19

1pm Bible Study

**Cheri' Nygard*

20

4:30pm BSK

21

22

**Gordon & Sherri Hesper*

23

*9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
Paisley Ferdina

24

4:30pm BSK

25

*4:30pm BSK
Annalyssa Martinez

26

1pm Bible Study

27

*1:30pm Welca
4:30pm BSK*

28

**Dolly Tattoo*

29

**Kastor & Lona Simensen*

30

*9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
Judd Wolff



WELCA CIRCLE MEETING

WELCA members meet each month. They welcome all ladies to join. If you are interested, please contact the church office for more information.

April 27th at 1:30pm



Quilting

The women's quilting group meets on the first Monday and Tuesday of each month, at 8:30am at the church.

Monday 8:30am - 3pm
Tuesday 8:30am - 12Noon

They invite all who are interested in this project to come and join and work all or part of this designated time. You are not required to be an experienced quilter. There is a need for those who can sew, tie, piece and cut.

Next Quilting

April 3rd & 4th



Prayer Shawl

If you are interested in taking part in the making of or if you know of someone who should have one given to them, please call Sandy Pipal, Delores Nelson or Georgia Willoughby.



After Church Coffee

The **Council or Youth** will be responsible for the month of **April**.

The **Peace Circle** will be responsible for the month of **May**.

About Us

What is WELCA? It's an easy way to say Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Our organization includes Lutheran women who gather in more than 4,000 locations in the U.S. and the Caribbean, for service, study, advocacy, fellowship and more! WELCA embraces ministries that support our mission of mobilizing women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ. We have a place for you in Women of the ELCA.

OUR MISSION

Mobilizing women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

OUR PURPOSE

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.



Radio Broadcasts for
April

Sunday Radio

Entire month of April
In Loving Memory of:
Warren Willoughby
By: Georgia Willoughby

Morning Devotions

Entire month of April
In Loving Memory of:
**Lefty & Jeanette
Jensen**
By: Their Children Cheryl
Hansen, Richard Jensen,
& Connie Neubauer

Rates

Sunday Radio

\$200/month
\$50/week

Morning Devotions

\$200/month
\$50/week

*Reserve your spots for
2024 today!*

If you are interested in
dedicating an available
month, please stop by
the church office or call
653-1333.



April Birthdays

- 1 Xander Hoffman
- Kaylee Johnson
- David Petersen
- Lewis Petrik
- 3 Logan Wolff
- 4 Tyson Bridges
- 7 Dwight Larson
- 8 Jason Twitchell
- 15 Lora Davis
- 16 Duane Zimmerman
- 17 Summer Garfield
- Julie Nygaard
- 19 Cheri' Nygard
- 23 Paisley Ferdina
- 25 Annalyssa Martinez
- 28 Dolly Tattoo
- 30 Judd Wolff



April Anniversaries

- 8 Carl & Cheryl Traeholt
- 22 Gordon & Sherri
Heser
- 29 Kastor & Lona
Simensen

If we missed someone
please contact the office.



Gary Johnson for
clearing our sidewalks
and parking lots
**Pastor Bonnie Novak
Patience Circle** for
providing treats and
coffee in March
Radio and Streaming
Jim Albertson, Scott
Montgomery and Cathy
Wanderaas
Sharon Kolstad for our
music
Cam Martin for the
water system
maintenance
The Members of this
church family who
consistently support First
Lutheran and its mission
with their time, talent
and financial resources

WHEN TO BE SILENT

*Be silent When you are
tempted to joke about sin
(Proverbs 14:9)*

*Be silent If you would be
ashamed of your words
later (Prov 8:8)*

*Be silent If your words
would convey the wrong
impression (Prov 17:27)*

*Be silent When you are
tempted to flatter a wicked
person (Prov 24:24)*

***The danger of missing
church is that soon you
don't miss it.***



Music for April

Ist Sunday- Palm/Passion Sunday

- 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor
- 232 Let My Prayer Rise Up
- 512 Let My Heart Be Good Soil
- 336 Lamb of God
- 15 Communion Hymn
- 465 As the Grains of Wheat
- 629 Abide With Me

Good Friday

- 349 Ah, Holy Jesus
- 351 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
- 347 Go to Dark Gethsemane

2nd Sunday/Easter Sunday

- 365 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
- 3&4Glory to God
- 512 Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil
- 379 Now the Green Blade Rises
- 483 Here Is Bread
- 817 You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

- 380 Hallelujah! Jesus Lives

3rd Sunday/Second Sunday of Easter

- 382 Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!
- 3&4Glory to God
- 512 Let My Heart Be Good Soil
- 389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

- 15 Communion Hymn
- 496 One Bread, One Body
- 769 If You But Trust In God to Guide You

4th Sunday/Third Sunday of Easter

- 367 How All the Vault of Heaven Resounds
- 3&4Glory to God
- 512 Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil
- 385 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!
- 462 Now We Join In Celebration
- 496 One Bread, One Body
- 376 Thine Is the Glory

5th Sunday/Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 380 Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!
- 3&4Glory to God
- 512 Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil

- 389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

- 471 Let Us Break Bread Together
- 817 You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore
- 789 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us



Prayer List for April

- Phyllis Dahl, Susan Davis,
- Scott Davis, Kathy Doornek,
- Pat Hallett, Wade Hansen,
- Doug Houg, Floyd & Gayle Johnson,
- Deb Jensen, Rolinda Lewis,
- Phil Marple, DeVonna Ryan
- Frank Vinton, Pearl Wagner-Nickels,
- Vikki Hammond, Bill Lauckner,
- Marion VorVorck, David Bellajohn,
- Larry Bowyum, Elliott Haynie,
- Pastor Tim Whiteman, Linda Novak
- Samantha Reed, Nancy Hopson
- Gloria Sande, Steve Dyrdaahl,
- Char Arneson, Joan Peters



April Readings

Ist Sunday- Palm Sunday

- Isaiah 50:4-9a
- Psalm 31:9-16
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Matthew 26:14-27:66

Good Friday

- Isaiah 52:13—53:12
- Psalm 22
- Hebrews 10:16-25
- John 18:1—19:42

2nd Sunday/Easter

- Acts 10:34-43
- Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
- I Colossians 3:1-4
- Matthew 28:1-10

3rd Sunday/2 Easter

- Acts 2:14a, 22-32
- Psalm 16
- I Peter 1:3-9
- John 20:19-31

4th Sunday/3 Easter

- Acts 2:14a, 36-41
- Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
- I Peter 1:17-23
- Luke 24:13-35

5th Sunday/4 Easter

- Acts 2:42-47
- Psalm 23
- I Peter 2:19-25
- John 10:1-10



Treasurer's Report

Beginning Bal. -	(18,674.80)
Receipts	13,332.63
Expenses	9,385.01
Ending Bal. -	(14,727.18)

Sunday Offerings February

March 5 th	\$1,9100.00
March 12 th	\$2,230.00
March 19 th	\$1,400.00
March 26 th	\$3,827.00

To meet our budget, we need to take in \$2,800.00 to the General Fund each week.

Pastor's Letter
April 2023

"Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side, to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God." (Lamb of God *Your Only Son*-ELW#336).

I heard this hymn on Sunday, March 13th, as I was home, snowed in, not being able to get to either one of my congregations to lead worship. The chaos and turmoil of a winter storm was outside, and I was feeling its effects. When I heard this hymn sung, a calm came over me, and I was able to hear the message of love in this hymn.

We begin this month with the Hosannas of Palm Sunday. Go onto the three uncertain days, hear once more the story of how Jesus gave his life for us, and the waiting until he rises again from the dead.

That is a lot of chaos and turmoil to experience in a short amount of time. Thankfully, we get to hear the angel say, at the empty tomb, "He is not here; for he has been raised." (Matt 28:6).

The sweet Lamb of God has been raised from the dead! We are forgiven! We have received the greatest gift that anyone can give us, LIFE!! The chaos and turmoil have been calmed!!

Go with His blessing.

Pr. Bonnie

Confirmation Sunday



Chaz Kegley
Aaron Johnson
Jesse Reed
Tanner MacDonald
Cole Holen

Council Minutes: March 14th, 2023

Present: Sharon Hoffman (president), Bonnie Novak (pastor), Jerald Petersen (treasurer), Scott Montgomery (secretary), Doug Madison, Sandi Mason, Stan Dowse, Vernie Madison

Minutes: Sandi motions to approve the February minutes; Stan seconds. Motion carries

Treasurer's Report: \$3,947 receipts over expenses for February, which helps to catch up from the deficit in January. A letter from the insurance company indicates that our current policy will be nonrenewed, but a new policy is available. Doug motions to approve the treasurer's report; Sandi seconds. Motion carries

Pastor's Report: Average attendance at the Faith Home service is 25 currently. The synod is putting out information about more changes to the constitution that will be released soon. There will be a Synod Business Assembly on the 2nd & 3rd of June. Bonnie talked with the radio station about the devotionals and the mismatch between Christ in Our Home devotionals.

Committee Reports

- Evangelism & worship: Attendance has been up
- Property: What is the cost of overhead fans? Can our electrical system handle that?
- Youth & Education: April 23rd is confirmation

Old Business

- Piano remains at the Wellness Center
- Membership & roster: activities that have been taking place have been great for participation on Sundays.
- Health and Faith: they changed the topic from Mental Health, Alcoholism, and Things that Destroy Families to Climate Change & Care for Creation. The council is disappointed in the change of topic since our area is much more strongly and immediately affected by addiction and poor mental health than by climate change
- Youth coordinator - no new information
- Keyless entry is finished, upstairs door is complete. Kitchen door still needs repair

New Business

- Baked potato bar on March 26th
- Council and youth doing the coffee and snacks in April
- Potluck breakfast before church on Easter Sunday

Vernie motions to adjourn; Stan seconds. Motion carries; meeting adjourned after a recitation of the Lord's Prayer.