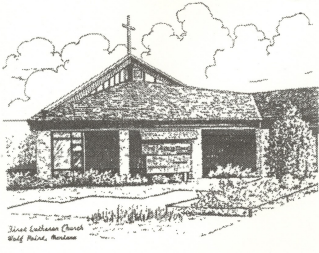


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THE PARISH CALLER
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Wolf Point, MT 59201

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Laura Rathert Memorial Scholarship
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Bob & Elsie Penner Memorial Scholarship

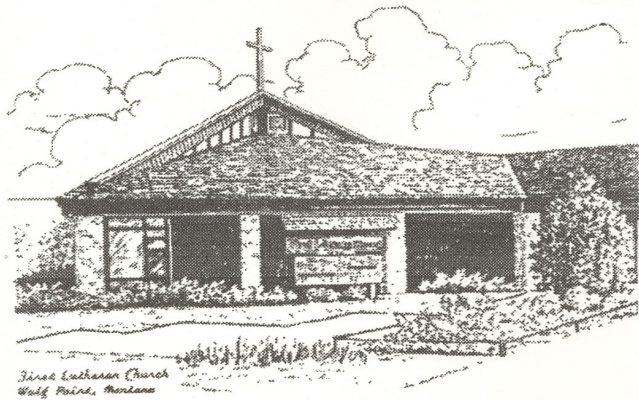
Applicant must be a confirmed member of First Lutheran Church of Wolf Point who is planning to pursue post-secondary higher education. Preference will be given to applicants planning to attend or presently attending a Lutheran college or seminary.

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, 2022

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.



The Parish Caller

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First Lutheran Church
415 Johnson St.
Wolf Point, MT 59201
406-653-1333
Pastor Bonnie Novak
firstlutheranwp@nemont.net
Office Hours: Tues—Thurs
8AM to 12PM
Website: firstlutheranwp.org
Sunday Service: 10:30am

Thrivent Action Teams

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS

Think about an unmet need in the community and how you could help. Apply to lead your volunteer team in a one-time fundraiser, service activity, or educational event that can be completed within 120 days. Once your project application is approved, you'll receive a customized kit of resources that can include:

A pennant banner

Thank you cards, name tags and stickers

Thrivent Action Team T-shirts

A Community Impact Card with funds up to \$250 to kick-start your project.

How often am I eligible?

All Thrivent members are eligible to lead a Thrivent Action Team. However, the number of teams each member can lead per year depends on his or her membership type. Benefit members are eligible to lead two Thrivent Action Teams per calendar year, and associate members are eligible to lead one per calendar year. You must be 16 years or older to lead a Thrivent Action Team.

One action team, one project.

Multiple members cannot apply to receive a Thrivent Action Kit to be used toward the exact same project.

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Happy
Valentines
Day



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.

February 25th 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

February 7th & 8th



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 **Patience Circle** will be responsible for the month of **February**.

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

In 2021 Patience Circle donated money to I00 Club, Spirit of Life Ministry, Morning Devotions, and Sunday Radio.

We bought supplies for and made quilts, baby kits, and school kits. These items were sent to Lutheran World Relief, to be used where they are needed.

Patience Circle and our church family have been very generous in giving gently used things and money to Child Family Services for children taken to foster care.

Our money is from our monthly offerings, Sunday Coffee, donations from serving funerals, and our Thrivent Action Teams of Thrivent members and their chosen projects.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us have a successful year! We appreciate you!



Radio Broadcasts for
February

Sunday Radio

Entire month of February
In Loving Memory of:

Phyllis Dowse

By: Stanley Dowse

Morning Devotions

Entire month of February
In Loving Memory of:

Phyllis Dowse

By: Stanley Dowse

Rates

Sunday Radio

\$200/month

\$50/week

Morning Devotions

\$200/month

\$50/week

*Reserve your spots for
2022 today!*

**May– September and
November are
available for Sunday
Radio**

**April, June–September,
November and
December are
available for Morning
Devotions**

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



February Birthdays

- 1 Trevor Davis
- 4 Ken Davis
- 7 Tanner Lindsay
- 11 Steven Remington
- 12 Kira Hoffman
- 14 Agnes Heser
- 17 Ed Mason
- 19 Shane Gibson
- 20 Kay Golik
- 21 Merna Gess
Cindy Paulson
- 22 Jessica Smith
- 24 Karen Solheim
- 26 Connie Bridges
Kasey Reed
- 27 Cole Holen
- 29 Trenton Wemmer



January Anniversaries

- 21 Dean & Marlene
Mahlum

If we missed someone
please contact the office.



Gary Johnson for
clearing our sidewalks
and parking lots
Pastor Bonnie Novak
LPA Laura Krauth
Our Volunteers for
providing treats and
coffee in January
Radio and Streaming
Jim Albertson 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

*Blessed be the Lord, who
daily loads us with
benefits...*

Psalm 68:19

*...blessed are they that
have not seen and have
believed.*

John 20:29

First Lutheran Church Council Meeting

January 6th, 2022

Present: Cathy Wanderaas, Sharon Hoffman, Stan Dowse, Jerald Petersen, Scott Montgomery, Doug Madison, Vernie Madison, Laura Krauth, Bonnie Novak (by phone)

Absent: Shane Reed (excused,) Abby Reum, Sandi Mason (excused)

Cathy called the meeting to order.

Bonnie opened the meeting with a prayer.

Sharon moved to approve the previous meeting's minutes; Laura seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- General fund was \$1,365.69 in the red this year.
- Jerald mentioned that it might be good to meet for the budget meeting last year so all receipts and expenses can be accounted for.
- The council acknowledged and thanked Jerald for his continued excellent work in the treasurer's position
- Doug motioned to accept the treasurer's report; Stan seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Bonnie has presided over two funerals since the last meeting. On the 2nd of January, Bonnie was able to hold a service at Faith Lutheran Home again. Twenty-two people attended.

Old Business:

- Still working on keyless entrance system
- Confirmation meetings have happened twice at the time of the meeting.

New Business:

- February clean-up will take place on the 6th.
- Next meeting to elect officers will take place on February 7th at 5:30 P.M. Cathy intends to step down as Council President.
- Laura mentioned that the bell tower is covered in pigeon poop. Wade would be willing to do the work to protect the bell.
- Schedule of regular readers has worked well. Should we add a schedule for regular ushers, candle-lighters, and bell-ringers?
- It would be good to start a capital campaign for new carpet in the sanctuary

Budget:

- Council suggested we drop the percentage given to the Synod to 2%
- Per synod guidelines, the council suggested a 3% raise for paid staff.
- Vernie motioned to approve the preliminary budget. Stan seconded. Motion carried.
- Budget will be finalized and approved at the annual meeting on January 30th.

Laura motioned to adjourn the meeting; Vernie seconded. Motion carried.



Music for February
1st Sunday

733 Gather Us In
Gloria-Be Unto Your Name
519 Open Your Ears, O Faithful
People
581 You Are Mine
466 In the Singing
817 You Have Come Down to the
Lakeshore
543 Go, My Children, With My
Blessing

2nd Sunday

635 We Walk By Faith
Gloria-Be Unto Your Name
519 Open Your Ears, O Faithful
People
618 Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer
483 Here Is Bread
496 One Bread, One Body
712 Lord, Whose Love In Humble
Service

3rd Sunday

655 Son of God, Eternal Savior
Gloria-Be Unto Your Name
519 Open Your Ears, O Faithful
People
676 Lord, Speak to Us, That We
May Speak
483 Here Is Bread
817 You Have Come Down to the
Lakeshore
536 God Be With You Till We Meet
Again

4th Sunday

315 How Good Lord to Be There
Gloria-Be Unto Your Name
519 Open Your Ears, O Faithful
People
838 Beautiful Savior
496 One Bread, One Body
715 Christ Be Our Light
671 Shine Jesus Shine



Prayer List

Dave Ball, Dave Block, Phyllis Dahl,
Cazroy Danelson, Susan Davis,
Scott Davis, Kathy Doornek,
Doug Houg, Floyd & Gayle Johnson,
Deb Jensen, Rolinda Lewis,
Phil Marple, Lisa Murdock,
Linda Nielsen, Tracey Ost,
Alda Olson, Donna Tihista,
Rick Tihista and Kathy Toavs



February Readings

1st Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-13
Psalm 138
I Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

2nd Sunday

Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1
I Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26

3rd Sunday

Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40
I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50
Luke 6:27-38

4th Sunday

Exodus 34:29-35
Psalm 99
2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
Luke 9:28-43a



1st Sunday

Georgia Willoughby

2nd Sunday

Scott M.

3rd Sunday

Shane
Reed

4th Sunday

Cathy Madison

February 2022

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

1 2 3 4 5

4:30pm BSK

4:30pm BSK

6pm Confirmation

Groundhog Day
Nat'l Signing Day

Nat'l Wear Red
World Cancer Day

Nat'l Weather person's
Day

*Trevor Davis

*Ken Davis

6 7 8 9 10 11 12

9:45am Sunday
School

8:30am Quilting

8:30am Quilting

4:30pm BSK

6pm Confirmation

Nat'l Pizza Day

10:30am Worship

4:30pm BSK

4:30pm BSK

11:30am Clean-
Up/Potluck

*Tanner Lindsay

Int'l Day of Women and
Girls in Science

Lincoln's Birthday

*Steven Remington

*Kira Hoffman

13 14 15 16 17 18 19

10:30am Worship

11:30am Sunday
School

Internet Friends Day
Nat'l Cheddar Day
World Radio Day

4:30pm BSK

*Agnes Heser

Valentine's Day



4:30pm BSK

4:30pm BSK

6pm Confirmation

Random Acts of Kindness

*Ed Mason

Nat'l Drink Wine Day

*Shane Gibson

20 21 22 23 24 25 26

9:45am Sunday
School

4:30pm BSK

Presidents Day

4:30pm BSK

4:30pm BSK

6pm Confirmation

*Karen Solheim

1:30pm Welca

10:30am Worship
Nat'l Love Your Pet Day
World Day of Social
Justice

*Merna Gess
*Cindy Paulson
*Dean & Marlene
Mahlum

Nat'l Margarita Day
Washington's Birthday

*Jessica Smith

*Connie Bridges
*Kasey Reed

*Kay Golik

27 28

9:45am Sunday
School

4:30pm BSK

*Trenton Wemmer

10:30am Worship

*Cole Holen

Pastor's Letter – February 2022

“For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.” (1 Corinthians 13:12-13)

Here we are at February. Hopefully our weather will be improving as the days grow longer, and the arctic air that gripped us so hard in January is gone.

February...a month where Valentines abound, and we begin our slow thaw out of winter, loving the longer days and the milder temperatures. With that thaw, all sorts of activities happen with us and our kids at school, and we find ourselves in a blur once again. Did we even get a chance to enjoy some self-care , some “love” for ourselves?

When we do not take the time for self-care, spiritually and physically we begin to dim...to tire out...not being able to fully achieve our calling as God's ambassadors of the Gospel...the Gospel that reminds us that we are to “love one another as He has loved us.”

It is hard to care for others or even to see what someone might need when our spiritual mirror is clouded over. To be well is to be well on all levels: physically, mentally, and spiritually. A lot to look after...a lot to care for.

Our loving God hopes that we come to Him everyday with all that is affecting our lives. He wants us to have faith and trust in Him that He will provide everything that we need, as we need it. Our God hasn't told us our whole story, because he knows it would be too great for us to understand. But as we come to Him in prayer each day, we learn a little more, and our faith in our God is strengthened in the hope of new life with him.

We were never told that it would be easy being God's children. But we were promised that we would not have to do the work alone, that the Holy Spirit would be our guide, our voice as we continue our journey.

Love is the greatest gift we can give back to our God, by taking care of ourselves and by taking care of each other.

God's grace and peace to you.

Pastor Bonnie