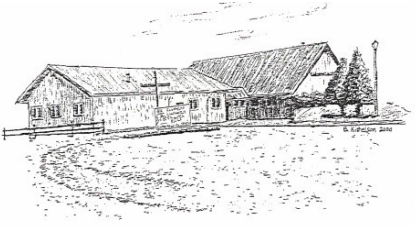


Connecting people to God with the message of God's love!



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I own a Junior Hymnal for Sunday School, first printed in 1928. It's an interesting hymnal. In the back there is an Order of Service based on the regular service that we share. It does note that, by and large, it should really only be used on days other than Sundays, that "for actual worship the school should unite with the congregation for its Regular Sunday morning worship". Nonetheless, it is an interesting glimpse into how Sunday School was run when it was in transition from "school for poor children" into "theological education for children".

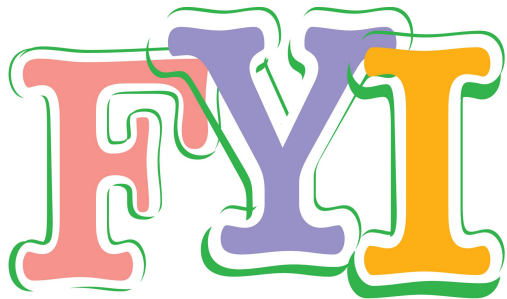
For starters, the leader of the worship service is "the Superintendent," not the pastor or one of the teachers. I suspect that would roughly map onto the Chair of the Education Committee for us. The Superintendent leads these children in a confession of sins, singing the Gloria, praying the prayers, and reading the scripture. Thankfully, he or she (this is 1928, so let's be honest – he) does not have to give a sermon. Instead, the place that occupies the sermon is marked, "Class Instruction shall begin".

This follows from a long history of Lutheran Christian Education, where teaching both adults and children about scripture is seen as a part of the Ministry of the Word: To teach about God is to preach. This is a powerful statement about both the need and the importance of education.

As we make plans for our Sunday School program this year, I would ask you to remember that preaching is not just the domain of the pastor. Our understanding of the priesthood of all believers means that you (yes, you) know something about God and God's connection to you. As you share that experience, as you interpret scripture in the light of that experience, you are preaching – and teaching.

So I would like you to take a moment and think about how you might help teach – how you might be a part of the Christian Education of Covenant. There are many opportunities and many ways to share your talents and knowledge, from the littlest in our congregation to the eldest. I hope to see you at our Education Committee meeting on August 6th. We have much to do together, and much to share.

Pastor Joshua



• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

MISSION STATEMENT

We covenant ourselves to gather around Word and Sacrament for mutual support and strength in Christ, that by God's grace we:
Proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom
Nurture the community through Christian Education
Provide settings for Christian fellowship, and
Equip the membership to be Christ's servant people within God's world.

The 6th Annual Carey Jo Thomas Memorial Softball Tournament

Friday, August 1 – Sunday, August 3
Opening Ceremony: Friday, 6:00 PM
Calcutta: Friday, 6:30 PM



Please notify the office if you are interested in receiving the prayer chain emails. Regular emails are sent out on Monday mornings with new prayer requests, and additional emails are sent out as new requests are received throughout the week.

Food Bank Current Needs:

- Breakfast cereal
- Canned fruit
- Rice
- Ketchup/mustard/mayo
- Jello
- Canned meats
- Diapers
- Deodorant
- Shampoo

Bring your donations to church and we will deliver them to the food bank for you.

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Office Hours:

Pastor Bruns—Mon - Thurs.: 9 am - 12 pm
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Sunday Worship: 9:00 am Sunday
Sunday School: 10:30 am Sunday
Adult Bible Study: 10:30 am Sunday

**COVENANT LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
July 10, 2014**

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm

Devotions:

Devotions were led by Rick Robbins.

Roll Call:

Melissa Garcia, Pastor Joshua, Jim Lockwood, Beth Morris, Nancy Lubeck, Stu Hammersmark, Dorothy Lockwood, Lee Morrison, Terry Lubeck, Rick Robbins, Connie Thomas, Christy Watkins, Marge Scholton

Absent: Reed Elmquist, Rich Bohm, Teresa Sherrill

Additions to Agenda: None.

Thrift Store:

	Receipts	Assistance	Ending Ck Bal	Ending Sav Bal
Thrift Store	\$9,434.84	\$1,405.88*	\$5,486.73	\$11,376.08
Grandma's Attic	\$1,349.60	\$0.00	\$5,711.76	

*Assistance figure does not include no cost vouchers, fuel and drivers costs for trips to Dr. appointments.

Correspondence: None.

Reports:

Secretary: Rick moved and Nancy 2nd to accept the secretary's report as written. Motion carried. Report posted on bulletin board.

Financial Secretary: Josh Moved and Beth 2nd to accept the financial secretary's report as written. Motion carried. Report posted on bulletin board.

Treasurer: Jim moved and Connie 2nd to accept the treasurer's report as written. Motion carried. Report posted on bulletin board.

President: VBS went well, not too much else to report except that Melissa learned to water ski.

Elders: Doing OK. Praise in the Park is scheduled for July 13, everything is ready.

Trustees: Southwest retaining area has been filled. Might need a load of topsoil to finish off. Replaced a solenoid in the sprinkler system. The trustees would like to get a timer system for the water in the prayer garden. Dorothy moved and Connie 2nd that the trustees move forward with the timer in the prayer garden. Motion carried. It was also suggested that they might be able to secure a Thrivent Action team grant to help with cost.

Pastor: Written report available on bulletin board. Pastor also mentioned that the 4:00 Thursday afternoon Bible study is open to all. Pastor will be gone August 3rd.

Committee Reports:

Education: The Sherrill's have moved, so we are currently in need of a Youth Education Committee Chairperson. VBS was a great success and thanks goes out to all that helped. Plans are in process for some Jr. High service groups. They will be making some Care Packages for our service men and women. They are also planning movie nights and other events. This would be with the same group of church's that did VBS together. If you would like to be involved with this age group please get a hold of Pastor.

Youth: No Report

Stewardship: The stewardship committee is working on a thermometer of sorts to help track and raise funds for the paving project. If you have any ideas please get in touch with Melissa.

Worship: They are currently planning the rest of the summer. The flag is back up in the sanctuary.

Women of ELCA: Prayer shawls are needed, so if you have knitting skills please get in touch with Reno, Arlene or Mary.

Hospitality: Council had general discussion on some confusion on who was responsible for weddings, funerals and other events that happen during the course of the year. Just to be clear, whichever Shepherding group is responsible for the month, will also be responsible for a wedding or funeral or other event that happens in their month. If for some reason they are overwhelmed with events, the leader of that shepherding group is free to ask for help, please contact the leader of another shepherding group for assistance. It was also mentioned that Hospitality does have a budget line in our Church budget. So if there are costs involved, i.e. cake, sandwiches or a deli tray, please get what you need and submit your receipts to our treasurer for reimbursement. Even if you would like to donate items for an event receipts can be submitted as an in-kind donation.

Men of Covenant: No meeting in July or August.

Outreach: Continuing to visit. Pastoral visits are available. Rick suggested that pastoral visits should be regularly scheduled and not just when requested, council agreed, and said he would work on that. He has offered that he go with Dorothy when she visits, that way he could be her ride as well as get his regular visits to our shut-ins.

Altar Guild: Thanks for the butterflies.

Landscape: Nothing new going on right now.

Old Business: Constitution updates; Pastor has had a couple of inquires, if any one has any questions, please feel free to ask Pastor or any other council member. Don't forget that our special meeting to vote on these updates is July 27, after worship.

Columbarium: Dorothy has received several packets from suppliers of columbarium's. After passing them around and talking about them it became clear that we needed to educate ourselves as to what columbarium's are and why some people think we might want them. Look for discussion questions on the tables in the near future. Also if you are interested in being on the columbarium committee, please contact Dorothy L.

New Business: None

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next Council Meeting 8/14/2014

Devotions for next Meeting: Rich Bohm

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Lockwood, Secretary

Birthdays & Anniversaries

August Birthdays

2 nd	Owen & Austin Rodocker
6 th	Karen Skari
	Makenna Garcia
8 th	Bob Scholten
9 th	Woody Shore
10 th	Ben Harnish
12 th	Marcus Catchpole
15 th	Kevin Thomas
16 th	Don Race
	Emily Morris
18 th	Joe Garcia
19 th	Ron Bosch
20 th	Sarah Rodocker
21 st	Don Dingman
	Larry McKee
23 rd	Ruth Johnson
24 th	Sarah Jesse
26 th	Mary Ann Wilhelm
30 th	Delmar Bitterman

August Anniversaries

2 nd	Frank and Sarah Jesse 17 years
17 th	Merl & Dorothy Lockwood 56 years
	Wayde & Laura Lauck 29 years
18 th	John & Kim Jeffords 7 years
19 th	Don & Judy Race 42 years
24 th	Thad & Tifanie Ehde 12 years
30 th	Larry & Joan McKee 46 years

EDUCATION COMMITTEE



Our Education Committee is currently undergoing a period of reconstruction. On Wednesday, August 6th we will be having an open meeting at 7:00 PM to discuss the needs, goals, and overall direction of the Education Committee. Everyone is invited to attend and share their thoughts and opinions about the education of the young people in our church. This is not just a meeting for parents and teachers and attending this meeting does not mean you are volunteering to teach Sunday School. Please consider attending.

You are invited to celebrate with us the baptism of Carlin Marie Wolleydt on Monday, August 4th at 5:00pm at Covenant Lutheran Church. There will be a potluck to follow with main dish and cake furnished. If you plan to attend, and we hope you will, please bring a salad or veggie dish to share. This is a chance to meet and get acquainted with Jim's children and grandchildren, and two of Merl & Dorothy's great grandchildren.

Hope to see you there
Jim, Merl & Dorothy
Lockwood



THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Are you a Thrivent member? If you are, do you know that each Thrivent member has \$500.00 of Action Team money that can go to a good cause in our community? This money can be accessed through an application on-line at thrivent.com. Action team projects and help requesting the money can be obtained by contacting Jim Lockwood at 241-0233, Pastor Joshua Bruns, 331-5050, Rick Robbins, 331-3024 or Arlene Robbins at 331-1363. We need to allow up to 21 days lead time to receive the card in time for the proposed project.

If we don't use these action dollars, the money will be lost to us. Each Thrivent member has until the end of the year to apply for the two \$250.00 debit cards.

If you have any questions or ideas for projects, for example: food bank, medical bills, supplies for fundraisers or others you may have, contact the above people.

AUGUST SERVERS

	ELDER			ASSISTANT			ACOLYTE
8-3	Rick Robbins		8-3	Rich Bohm		8-3	Jamison Brown
8-10	Rich Bohm		8-10	Christy Watkins		8-10	Cody Garcia
8-17	Rick Robbins		8-17	Rich Bohm		8-17	Sam Jesse
8-24	Connie Thomas		8-24	Rick Robbins		8-24	Raegan Ehde
8-31	Rick Robbins		8-31	Rich Bohm		8-31	Gage Brown

	MUSICIAN			READER			ALTAR CARE
8-3	Lisa Young		8-3	Rich Bohm		8-3	Lorretta Lauck
8-10	Nancy Schumann		8-10	Jennifer Bruns		8-10	Suz Strom
8-17	Mary Seim		8-17	Jim Lockwood		8-17	Marge Scholten
8-24	Gwen Seidel		8-24	Dorothy Stevenson		8-24	Hollee Bosch
8-31	TBA		8-31	Shari Brown		8-31	Judy Windmeier

	GREETERS			USHERS			VISITATION
8-3	Windmeiers		8-3	Stu Hammersmark		8-3	Dorothy Lockwood
8-10	Hilderbrands		8-10	Hilderbrands		8-10	Bill Windmeier
8-17	Pat Preuit		8-17	Hammersmarks		8-17	Rich Bohm
8-24	Liz Bachmeier		8-24	Windmeiers		8-24	Rick Robbins
8-31	Browns		8-31	Browns		8-31	Nadine Morris

	FELLOWSHIP/TREATS
8-3	Pat Preuit
8-10	Hilderbrands
8-17	Windmeiers
8-24	Liz Bachmeier
8-31	Browns



*Please notify the office ASAP if you are unable to fulfill your serving duties.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 CJT MEMORIAL SOFTBALL TOURNEY OPENING CEREMONY 6:00 PM	2
3 TAIZE 7:00 PM	4 BAPTISM AND POTLUCK 5:30 PM	5 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	6 EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING 7:00 PM	7	8	9
10 TAIZE 7:00 PM	11	12 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	13	14 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL 7:00 PM	15	16
17 BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS TAIZE 7:00 PM	18	19 WELCA B-DAY LUNCH 11:30 AM PRAISE BAND 5:30 PM WORSHIP COMMITTEE 6:30 PM	20	21 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL  BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	22	23
24 NURSING HOME SERVICE 2:00 PM PRAISE BAND PERFORMS AT GREEN HARVEST FESTIVAL 7:00 PM	25	26 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	27	28 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	29	30
31 TAIZE 7:00 PM						