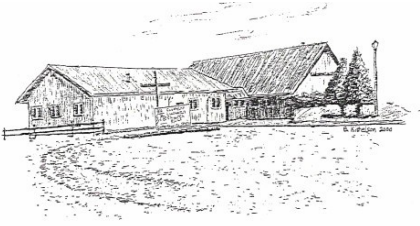


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In Life Together, Dietrich Bonhoeffer suggests a pattern for the day, for a life together with others. It is centered around scripture, song, and prayer, at the points in the day when we have a meal. As we receive signs of God's love for us in Our Daily Bread, it makes sense to give thanks to the one who gives it to us. So at morning, at lunch, and at dinner, he argues, we should all come together, read from scripture, sing songs of praise, and pray together.

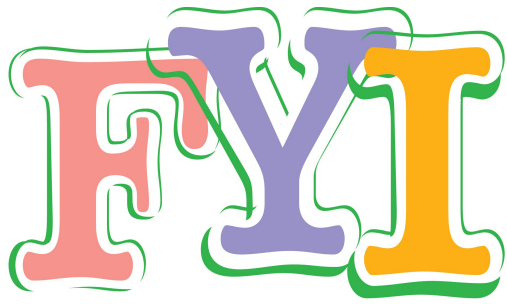
And then I look at my mornings, and what I know of the mornings in most of your households (especially those of you with children) look like, and suspect that it might be difficult, singing hymns together around the breakfast table. You probably don't spend lunch with the same people you ate breakfast with – or you might eat alone. Evenings may be the last, best chance for some of this Life Together.

So I have a suggestion for you, a plan for your dinner conversation. Begin by sharing the things that happened that day – the things that were good, the things that were troubling. Read a passage from the Bible together. I can give you suggestions, or you can pick from your favorite stories. Then talk together about the things that happened that day, and what the Bible might say about them. When the meal is over, pray together, and before you get up and go about the work of the evening, bless each other – give thanks to God for each other's presence in your lives.

Our lives together are a gift from God. I hope you will take some time together as you share a meal to give thanks to God for those gifts.

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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.

Thank you for the visits, cards and prayers during my recovery and rehab. --Cindy Kahrs

DIAPER DAY resumes on Tuesday, September 16th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.



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.

We had a second offering on August 24th in support of the **Platte County Food Bank**. Many thanks to all of you – we raised \$532! Together we can do wonderful things for our community and those in need.

Confirmation Class begins on Monday, September 8 at 7:00 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
August 14, 2014**

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 by Reed E.

Devotions:

Devotions were led by Rich B.

Roll Call:

Reed Elmquist, Pastor Joshua, Jim Lockwood, Beth Morris, Nancy Lubeck, Stu Hammersmark, Dorothy Lockwood, Terry Lubeck, Connie Thomas, Christy Watkins, Rich Bohm, Marge Scholton, Sarah Jesse

Absent: Melissa Garcia, Lee Morrison, Rick Robbins

Additions to Agenda: None

Thrift Store:

	Receipts	Assistance	Ending Ck Bal	Ending Sav Bal
Thrift Store	\$7,701.87	\$722.87	\$6,554.81	\$11,767.53
Grandma's Attic	\$981.03	\$0.00	\$5,894.97	

Still needing help building walls. Received \$550.00 from the Ben Jacobson memorial.

Correspondence: None

Reports:

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

Financial Secretary: Beth moved and Terry 2nd to accept the Financial Secretary's report as written. Motion carried. Report posted on bulletin board.

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

President: Absent, no report

Elders: Everything going well as long as we keep flexible schedules.

Trustees: Landscape finished on southwest corner of sanctuary. Special thanks to the dirt and block fairies that helped finish up.

Pastor: Written report available. Posted on bulletin board.

Committee Reports:

Education: On August 6th, the education committee had a meeting and 11 people showed up for the meeting. The committee submitted to council their motion to have Dawn McKee and Sarah Jesse act as Educational Co-chairpersons on the council. Rich 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

They also suggested that the first Sunday of each month be a intergenerational Sunday School class to be held in the fellowship room after Worship service, Pastor will lead the class and we hope that all will attend. This sounded good to council so we are going to try it. There will be 2 Sunday school classes for the younger kids on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month. It is there plan to get some of the older kids involved in the classroom as assistants for the teachers. They will also be working on plans for Family Nights, pumpkins and maybe flower pots in the spring.

Youth: No report

Stewardship: No report

Worship: Going well. Green Harvest Festival is coming up so please join the Praise Band for their concert at the Breck band shell Aug. 24th at 7:00pm.

Women of ELCA: Still meeting for the birthday luncheon at the Big A.

Hospitality: Prayer shawls for the Munari's.

Men of Covenant: Will meet again in September.

Outreach: Pastoral visits with communion available are happening; Pastor is driving Dorothy L. on her visits, A real win for everyone. The Food Bank is in need of funds and food, Connie will try to get a list together soon so we can get a food drive together.

Altar Guild: New carafe's are here, have you noticed?

Landscape: Things are going well.

Old Business: Columbarium; nothing new to report.

New Business: Paving the Parking lot; A quote of \$8,800 was submitted to council for the paving of a handicap parking area in front of the church entrance. The quote included moving the air conditioner condenser to the west side of the fellowship hall, rerouting electrical lines and coolant lines as well as paving an area large enough for 3 or 4 cars with handicap accessibility. A map of the area will be in the fellowship hall by Sunday Aug 24th. Gifts of about \$6,000 have already been pledged to the paving project. Jim moved and Beth 2nd to fund the rest of the project using Thrivent Choice dollars earmarked for special projects. Motion carried. Jim also offered to draw a map of the project and find some more information on the asphalt to help raise funds to pave additional parking spaces.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next Council Meeting 9/11/2014

Devotions for next Meeting: Stu Hammersmark

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Lockwood, Secretary



September Birthdays

2 nd	Curtis Nickle
7 th	Clare Hansen
8 th	Bill Windmeier
12 th	Liz Bitterman
13 th	Sarah Miller
18 th	Mike Hahn
19 th	Dorothy Stevenson
20 th	Laura Lauck
	Bryan Seim
22 nd	Bobijo Cordingly
24 th	Peter Jesse
25 th	Cindy Anderson
27 th	Tiffani Dingman
28 th	Richard Dingman

September Anniversaries

4 th	Red & Reno Taylor 32 years
5 th	Bob & Sharon Catchpole 45 years
18 th	Dallas & Christy Watkins 43 years
25 th	Bob & Marge Scholten 39 years

EDUCATION COMMITTEE



The Education Committee met at the church on Wednesday, August 6 at 7:00 PM. Eleven people attended and shared their ideas and opinions about the needs, goals, and overall direction of our educational efforts here at Covenant Lutheran.

One thing that arose out of the meeting was a desire to have more of the congregation involved in our educational efforts. As a result, the current plan is to have an intergenerational Sunday School on the first Sunday of each month. After service we will gather in the social hall and, from the youngest to the oldest, together talk about faith and the Bible. Pastor Joshua will be leading class on those days and we hope to see involvement from all ages.

On the other three or four Sundays of the month regular Sunday school classes will be held for the children. We have two groups of kids this year. Group #1 consists of the preschoolers and kindergarteners and Group #2 consists of kids in grades 1 through 4. One major change has been made to when Sunday School actually starts. Beginning on Sunday, September 14, the Sunday school children will be dismissed from service immediately following communion. Their teachers will take them to their classrooms where they will begin their lessons while the adults are finishing service. When their lessons are finished, they will return to the empty sanctuary to practice their songs and music while the adults enjoy some fellowship time. Finally, after music practice, the children will be excused to the fellowship hall to enjoy some treats.

Finally, we are still looking for people to volunteer as teachers, classroom helpers and substitutes for Sunday school. If you would be willing to share 30 minutes of your time, one Sunday a month, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Sarah Jesse or Dawn McKee to discuss what part you would like to play in educating the kids of Covenant .



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.

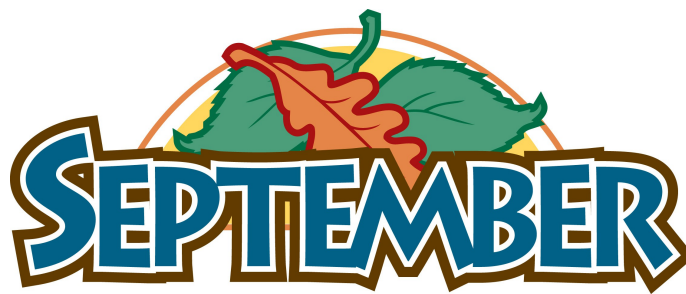
SEPTEMBER SERVERS

	ELDER		ASSISTANT		ACOLYTE
9-7	Christy Watkins	9-7	Connie Thomas	9-7	Gage Brown
9-14	Rich Bohm	9-14	Christy Watkins	9-14	Mekayla Garcia
9-21	Rick Robbins	9-21	Rich Bohm	9-21	Peter Jesse
9-28	Connie Thomas	9-28	Rick Robbins	9-28	Raegan Ehde

	MUSICIAN		READER		ALTAR CARE
9-7	Gwen Seidel	9-7	Arlene Robbins	9-7	Judy Windmeier
9-14	Mary Seim	9-14	Reno Taylor	9-14	Christy Watkins
9-21	Sarah Rodocker	9-21	Joanne Harnish	9-21	Rena Kittelson
9-28	Nancy Schumann	9-28	George Taylor	9-28	Gail Mattern

	GREETERS		USHERS		VISITATION
9-7	Suz Strom	9-7	Dorothy Stevenson	9-7	Cheryl Meier
9-14	Ray & Helen Bremer	9-14	Dorothy Stevenson & Suz Strom	9-14	Dorothy Lockwood
9-21	Tonya Morrison	9-21	Lee Morrison	9-21	Bill Windmeier
9-28	Marge Scholten	9-28	Windmeiers	9-28	Rich Bohm

	FELLOWSHIP		SUNDAY SCHOOL
9-7	Arlene Robbins	9-7	Intergenerational Sunday School
9-14	Helen Bremer	9-14	Group #1: Dawn McKee, Beth Morris & Nadine Morris Group #2: Sarah Rodocker and Melissa Garcia
9-21	Dorothy Stevenson	9-21	Group #1: Beth Morris and Melissa Garcia Group #2: Sarah Jesse
9-28	Any volunteers?	9-28	Group #1: Dawn & Joel McKee Group #2: Thad & Tifanie Ehde



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 LABOR DAY	2 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	3	4 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	5	6 MEN'S BREAKFAST AT TASTY TREATS 7:30 AM
7 SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF TAIZE 7:00 PM	8 CONFIRMATION CLASS 7:00 PM	9 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	10	11 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM CHURCH COUNCIL 7:00 PM	12	13
14 TAIZE 7:00 PM	15	16 DIAPER DAY 9:00 AM WELCA B-DAY LUNCH 11:30 AM PRAISE BAND 5:30 PM WORSHIP COMMITTEE 6:30 PM	17	18 BIBLE STUDY 4:00 PM	19 NO SCHOOL	20
21 TAIZE 7:00 PM	22	23 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM	24	25	26	27
28 NURSING HOME SERVICE 2:00 PM TAIZE 7:00 PM	29	30 PRAISE BAND 6:00 PM				

August 21, 2014

Dear Sisters in the Rocky Mountain Synodical Women's Organization,

Re: 11th Biennial Convention - October 10--12, 2014 - Denver, Colorado

Location: The DoubleTree Hotel, 3203 Quebec St. 1-303-321-3333 or 1-800-460-7456.

IMPORTANT UPDATE! REGISTRATION DEADLINES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED

Please alert all women in your units and congregations that the deadlines have been extended as follows, but note that you still need to make your hotel reservations by September 9, 2014:

Convention Registration: New Deadline = **September 20, 2014**

The form and instructions are on p. 4-5 of the July Issue of Views

From the Rockies newsletter & on the Rocky Mountain Synod website:

<http://www.rmselfca.org/ministries/women> - Contact Darlene Foster, Registrar,
11735 Bucking Bronco Trl. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123 - dafoster@q.com

Stephanie Bowes Scholarship: New Deadline = **September 20, 2014**

The application form and information are on p. 8 of the July Views.

Contact Betty Ann Arner, Board VP, 3008 Casa Del Norte Dr. NE,
Albuquerque, NM 87111 - or e-mail: <mailto:bettyannarner@q.com>

RMSWO Board Nominations: New Deadline = **September 20, 2014**

The form to submit names for nomination to the Rocky Mountain Synodical Women's Organization Board is on p. 7 of the July Views.

Contact Betty Ann Arner - see above.

CONVENTION HOTEL INFORMATION: The Doubletree Hotel -

3203 Quebec St., Denver, CO 80207 (South of I-70 on corner of Quebec St.
and MLK Blvd.). See p. 5 of July Views for making your own reservations

for Convention (October 10-12, 2014). **Deadline for Convention Rates: Sept. 9th**

Note: The hotel may allow us to extend this deadline by a few days, but call ASAP

Women of the ELCA, we are excited about the worship and offerings opportunities, workshops that have been planned, Bible study with the Convention Chaplain, Pastor Geri Cunningham, and wonderful fellowship of meeting and interacting with Lutheran Women in our Synod. The Sat. evening banquet followed by musical entertainment with the Hard Road Trio from Las Cruces, NM promises to be a highlight. Bishop Jim Gonia will lead closing worship on Sunday, Oct. 12th, and our Keynote speaker will be the Rev. Sarah Moening, Assistant to the Bishop.

Now is the time for many more women to register! Let's get the word out to all in your churches and units. We need your help in supporting this Convention. The election of new board members and offices happens at Convention, and we look forward to another strong year of service to those in need through our stewardship of gifts.

Blessings in Christ from the RMSWO Board,

Carol McGill, President