

THE VISITOR

JUNE 2021

New Hope Lutheran Church of the ELCA

Worship sites at Blanchardville and Hollandale

Our Mission:

"Serving God by sharing, teaching and connecting people to God with Jesus in our hearts."

Please be sure to check the website (<http://newhopelutheran.info/>), the church Facebook page, or the church phone for updated information on services and activities.



"Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn"

ELW 723 Canticle of the Turning

Hello Everyone,

One of my favorite hymns, maybe because of the tune, but also because of the words.

This should be a Christmas hymn because it is from the words Mary spoke after she is greeted by Elizabeth. I choose these words today because last year the world turned in a significant way with the Co-vid pandemic, Everything was affected especially the church and how we worship together. We learned that we could still worship in community through virtual means. Now the world is turning again, as it always does, and we are spinning to time of being able to gather together again in person, as we bring this dreaded disease under control. We will once again move towards the altar to receive the bread and the wine, though the kits will still be available, we receive the bread and the wine on the floor, not kneeling by the altar, in a continuous line. We are in discussion about singing and passing the plate.

Enough about worship, as most of you know I took a trip the other week to South Dakota to celebrate my grandsons birthdays. The trip was good, being greeted at the door by my grandsons jumping up and down with excitement was priceless. Our children bring us joy but grandkids are pure pleasure. I am always awed by the huge smiles they get on their face when they see me and how enthusiastic they are with their greetings, from the oldest giving me a big bear hug trying to squeeze me in half to the middle two jumping up and down and screaming, the youngest running towards me with arms wide open. Their love for me is something out of this world and the funny thing is, is that I don't know what I do to deserve it other than just showing up. Showing up, listening to

them as they enthusiastically tell me everything, being present with them, loving them for who they are.

A simple formula: show up, listen, be present, and love. This is something that we all can do. This is how relationships are built, how stories are learned, how ministry gets done. This is what God does through Jesus, God show up, listens, is present, and loves. Can you imagine being Mary and Joseph, knowing who Jesus is, and yet like any toddler rejoicing in their enthusiastic jumping up and down, huge smile, running with arms wide open greeting that Jesus gave them when they walked into the room. The Son of God so excited to see them and love them. I imagine the Jesus greets each of us this way everyday of our lives. We bring the gift of God's love and enthusiastic greeting every time we visit someone, share a meal with someone who can't get out or lives alone.

We talk about stewarding generosity and one way to do this is to bring the gift of communion to those who can't join us in worship. This ministry is all about the visit, about showing up, listening, being present, and loving each other as you talk at the table of God, sharing a meal together. Other ways of being a generous steward is by sharing your time and talents in the various ministry opportunities the church offers and by sharing your resources.

Mary sang all those years ago about how the world was about to turn with the birth of her son and it has turned even more so with his death and resurrection. God rejoices on you everyday, let us rejoice and love all those who God loves.

Peace be with you,
Pastor Chris



Vacation Bible School will be August 2-5 in the evenings at the upper shelter in McKellar park.

THE SAETHER SENTINAL

SARAH'S MONTHLY COLLEGE MINISTRY UPDATE



Exciting News!

As you may know I've been living at home this past year working part time in our family businesses and raising support to go on staff with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. Good news! I was officially hired by InterVarsity as of May 15th and will be moving back to Eau Claire on June 7th!

I will be working 15 hours a week for InterVarsity and will continue raising support over the summer in hopes to get to at least 20 hours a week by the fall. To supplement my student ministry work I also got a job as a church secretary at a local church in Eau Claire! Come fall I will be working with students from UW – Eau Claire (UWEC) and Chippewa Valley Technical College (CVCTC).

I cannot thank each of you enough for all the support you've given me over the last year. I've so enjoyed being involved in New Hope's ministry this year. From helping with VBS, serving on the Communication Team, and even preaching a few Sundays, I've gotten some excellent experience and had fun along the way. Thank you to all of you for voting to include my ministry with InterVarsity in the budget and thank you to members who have personally supported the mission of InterVarsity to reach every corner of every campus.

While I am sad to leave, I am so excited to get to minister to college students. I will dearly miss seeing all of you in church every Sunday, but I will be back often and promise to keep you all updated about what God is doing on campus. Do not hesitate to reach out to me!

Prayer Requests

- For my packing, moving, and upcoming transition
- For college students – that they would stay close to the Lord & find Christian community this summer
- Over my goal of reaching at least 20 hours/week with InterVarsity by the fall

Interested in Partnership?

- I'm looking to expand my prayer and financial support teams
- People to help me connect with churches and mission-minded folks in central WI

Sarah's Contact Information

Sarah Saether
12269 22nd Ave
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
(608) 214-9578
Sarah.saether@intervarsity.org

Thank you for your partnership!

A “send off” for Sarah will be held on Sunday, June 6th at which time she will say a few words and be sent off into college ministry by her New Hope Family who she credits with molding her into who she is today!



Save the date! Start thinking about the upcoming Youth Gathering.
Youth and potential interested chaperones!

Worship Highlights for June

SUNDAY SERVICES: 8:30 Hollandale—10:30 Blanchardville

SUNDAY, June 6—Time after Pentecost—A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

Readings: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

SUNDAY, June 13—Time after Pentecost—The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grated through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.

Readings: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

SUNDAY, June 20—Time After Pentecost—Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

Readings: Job 38:1-11; Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

SUNDAY, June 27—Time after Pentecost—A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the

cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

Readings: Lamentations 3:22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

SUNDAY, July 4—Time after Pentecost—Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asked his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between"; between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those who to whom we are sent.

Readings: Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-3

BAPTISM



Asher Richard Retrum, son of Hans and JoLynn Retum, was baptized at New Hope Lutheran-Blanchardville on Sunday, May 9, 2-21 by Pastor Chris Strohm. His sponsors were Natalie Wyse and Nathan Lederman. Asher was born March 20, 2021 at the Monroe Hospital.

Happy Father's Day June 20th

Join Us for June Sunday Services

WORSHIP

(All late services are live streamed on Facebook)

SUNDAY, June 6

8:30 at Hollandale
10:30 at Blanchardville

SUNDAY, June 13

8:30 at Hollandale
10:30 at Blanchardville

SUNDAY, June 20

10:00 Father's Day Worship at McKellar Park

SUNDAY, June 27

8:30 at Hollandale
10:30 at Blanchardville

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Until further notice, Bible Study via zoom is on hold. Anyone who would like to continue to get the weekly Gospel readings should contact the office, and then an email will be sent out weekly.

LAY DISTRIBUTION VOLUNTEERS

New Hope is looking to add folks to the Lay Distribution Team. Lay distribution is done monthly.

We will meet on Sunday, June 6th at 11:30 AM at our Blanchardville Site to discuss how we can keep in touch and connected with our homebound folks.



Please plan to join us if you care about our homebound folks, like to visit for a few minutes with folks, have a friendly personality, or just want to help.

Pastor Chris intends to also meet and visit with our homebound folks quarterly, however, we have many at home and having a team of folks together to visit monthly would be very helpful. During the time of COVID-19 the visits were put on hold.

If you desire to connect with folks who are not able to attend in-person worship, and deliver communion to them, please contact the office by calling 523-4239 or email: newhopeoffice@tds.net.

Automatic Offering Methods

Do you have automatic withdrawals from your bank account for your monthly bills? Did you know you can also give your church offering automatically too? You can set up an automatic withdrawal from your checking/savings account and have it deposited automatically into the church account.

EFT (electronic funds transfer) forms are available in the church office. Many timely options are possible—weekly, monthly, bi-weekly. No fees associated with this method. Ask the office for more details.

Another option is PayPal. Many of you who have PayPal accounts could send your contributions through this medium. Fees apply.

And soon to come, the transition to Tithe.ly, which acts much like a PayPal account. Fees will apply.



Jun 04	Avery Hughes	10
Jun 05	Addyson Kolb	15
Jun 05	Ava Kolb	15
Jun 14	Luke Leonard	13
Jun 17	Aria Algje	6
Jun 18	Kennadi Morris	8
Jun 22	Caden Pisczor	10
Jun 23	Alex Emberson	16
Jun 26	Reese Blau	9
Jun 26	Eva Burkeland	3
Jun 27	Kayden Kurscher	10
Jun 28	Connor Pisczor	8
Jun 29	Daniel Henderson	10
Jun 29	Gage Terrill	10



Jun 02	Doug & Susie Farmer	48	Years
Jun 09	Lee & Susan Retzlaff	37	Years
Jun 10	Marty & Angie Hendrickson	15	Years
Jun 14	Jerry & Marcia Bredeson	13	Years
Jun 15	Paul & Julie Saether	30	Years
Jun 17	Richard & Peggy Gilbertson	60	Years
Jun 17	Steve & Charity Norton	10	Years
Jun 23	Keith & Melissa Legler	3	Years
Jun 26	Duane & Beth Kundert	50	Years
Jun 29	Robin & Kaye Gilbertson	36	Years



Keep in your prayers:

We remember our members & friends recovering from surgery, those with ongoing

health concerns, those who mourn loved ones, and the homebound, especially Mary Miller, Carol Anderson, Paul Sardeson, Roger Kittleson, Donna Arneson, Cliff Lien, Audrey Parkinson, Lyle & Audrey Klosterman, Jeanne Stansfield, John Larson, John & Mary Carr, Doris Hermanson, Ruth Kolb, Dorothy Jungbluth, Barb Lien, Vera Eidsmoe, Richard & Peggy Gilbertson, Ruth Hanson, Lynne Hendrickson, Lolly Johnson, Doris Larson, Gordy Larson, Marilyn Torkelson, Betty Lou Mathiowetz, Riley Sigg, Mark Zimmerman, Michelle (Olson) Mueller, Ruth Vamstad and the family of Jerry Dammen.

Bits-n-Pieces

Newsletter

Deadline

"Visitor" information by:

Friday, June 18th

Newsletter assembly:
**Thursday, June 24th by
Blanchardville**

Missional Discovery Journey

Three questions to think about this week.

- 1) Where have you seen God at work this week?
- 2) Where or with whom, have you felt you have been God's servant this week?
- 3) Where or from whom, did you feel you were touched by God this week?



SENIORS-*If we missed your birthday, please call the church office to let us know!!*

Jun 01	David Hermanson
Jun 11	Gary Hendrickson
Jun 11	Ron Syse
Jun 12	Roy Ruegsegger
Jun 13	David Geber
Jun 22	Dennis Severson
Jun 23	Ruth Kolb
Jun 28	Erna Chrostowski

PECATONICA AREA FOOD PANTRY

1st & 3rd Saturdays of the
month

10:00-11:00 a.m.

New Hope-Blanchardville

Wish List

Ketchup	Cooking oil
mayo	paper towels
laundry soap	pudding/jello
dish soap	cake/brownie
macaroni	mix
Hamburger	spaghetti
Helper	sauce
soup	oatmeal
cereal	pancake mix
eggs	pancake syrup

Please feel free to contact one of the Food Pantry Committee members if you have any questions or are in need of food.

The Pecatonica Area Food Pantry Committee:

Tiffany Bethke—608-212-9028

Jean Christen -- 967-2349

Bev Lien -- 832-6344

Alice Yaeger -- 523-4960

Please call the church when:

- a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so that visits can be made.
- your committee or group plans to have a meeting, or cancel a meeting so that it can be published in the bulletin or newsletter
- either your personal or business telephone number has changed, so that the church records can be updated
- you are planning to move out of town or locally
- a new baby arrives in the family
- a death occurs in the family
- a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence
- you have special requests for the prayers of the church
- a new family moves into the neighborhood
- you think the church can help in any way
- you have ideas, articles, pictures, or corrections for the newsletter

Ladies Save the date (and your plastic bags!)

Sunday, June 13th; 1:00 PM- Dust off those plastic bags (and your social skills!) you've been storing and join us in an afternoon of socializing and weaving mats for the homeless. Don't worry if you've never made them before, we will teach you! Please bring scissors and any plastic bags you'd like to upcycle!

We are excited to kick summer off with your smiling faces! We hope to be outside on the lawn (east side) at the Blanchardville Site. If it rains we will move to the basement.

Bring an appetizer, your own beverage and a lawn chair.

MAY 2021 SYNOD ASSEMBLY CANCELLED until FURTHER NOTICE

There will not be a Synod Assembly in May 2021. The synod council sets the date for synod assemblies and has voted not to have a Synod Assembly in May. There may be a synod assembly held in the fall. The synod office will keep the church informed regarding any potential dates and Assembly plans.

New Hope Lutheran Council Minutes

Date: May 24, 2021

Location: Hollandale Site and via zoom

Minutes taken by: Tiffany Bethke, Council Secretary

Our Vision: We invite ALL people to join our community of Christ as we grow in faith, serve and Worship God.

Our Mission: Serving God by sharing, teaching and connecting people to God with Jesus in our hearts.

Attendees in person: Dawn Doran, Ron & Ellen Syse, Becky Johnson, Kandi Lockard, Pastor Chris, Julie Saether, and Jessica Kurschner. Attendees via zoom: Tiffany Bethke, Dan Hittesdorf and Rodney Kurschner

Dawn Doran called the meeting to order. Devotion & Prayer was led by Pastor Chris. The March meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Julie Saether to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Rodney Kurschner. Motion carried. Board/committee reports were reviewed. The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Becky Johnson reported that things are sitting okay. It should be noted that we have not been paying the musicians as they had decided not to submit bills for their time however they will start doing so again soon. We also went a period of time not having to pay a Pastors' salary. There was no correspondence, transfers/new members or visitors.

Old Business:

Chicken BBQ – Kandi Lockard and Tiffany Bethke reported that we took in just under \$2900 before expenses. Becky Johnson will follow-up with Tina to see what the deposit was from the event so we can find out what the net profit was, so we know how much we will donate to the Iowa County programs.

Hollandale Site items

Church Restoration request—Gary Whitford-Holey wondered if we would ever entertain the idea of taking down the drop ceiling which covers the copper ceiling that is currently in the Church in Hollandale, to restore it back to its originality. Gary reports that sometime during the 1970s oil crisis they thought it would save on heating so a drop ceiling was put in. Dan Hittesdorf inquired if there would be any lead based or asbestos above the drop ceiling. Gary Whitford-Holey will look into this more and gather more information.

Basement flooring – funding—In the months past, we discussed doing some sort of fundraising to raise monies for the flooring project at Hollandale. It was discussed opening it up for folks to come and tour and see what we've done as well as a celebration. Discussed a possible celebration in

July. Currently the remainder of bills to finish the projects at Hollandale is about 20K. \$1500 dehumidifying project, \$7K-12K in flooring, and 6K in concrete and landscaping.

Lot behind church – update

Kandi Lockard reported that there are not two separate lots behind the Church. It is one lot. This is still being looked into to see if this can be separated into two lots.

Parsonage basement flooring – funding—We have an estimate of about 6K to replace the flooring in the basement of the Parsonage. Kandi Lockard will see what the cost of just the LVP would be, if we had members willing to donate their time to lay the flooring and get back in touch with us.

Open Doors grant – update—Becky Johnson, Gary Whitford-Holey, and Tiffany Bethke met and wrote up a grant which was submitted to the ELCA. To kick off the idea of getting out and meeting folks in the community and while we wait to hear if our grant idea has been accepted, we will hand out free ice cream cones in both Hollandale and Blanchardville on Friday, June 11th, from 530-630 pm.

Worshiping in person - update—So far, all feedback received has been "yes comfortable with singing in Church with masking and yes okay with proceeding with Communion via continuous communion". We will begin singing, and passing the offering plate starting June 6th. Plates and Communion kits will still be available in the Narthex for those who would prefer. Starting in July we can look into sharing the peace. Tiffany will update the signs for each location letting folks know masks are encouraged and singing will occur, as well as Communion via continuous table and it will be sent out via email as well. We can now take the barriers off the pew at both locations.

New Business:

Baccalaureate – Pastor Chris—Pastor Chris reported that there is no Baccalaureate this year. He was not able to reach the Methodist Pastor, and in talking with the Secretary at the Catholic Church they had no plan to proceed with Baccalaureate. He notes that next year he hopes to be in contact with the other Pastors' around March, to plan and discuss and also talk with the school to see if they intend to combine Senior awards night and Baccalaureate night on the same night, as it was discussed in the past. He mentioned it could also be that the Baccalaureate has served its time here, and maybe each Church should celebrate at a special service of their own. Scholarships briefly discussed. It was discussed that each year, we should send a letter to our Graduating seniors to

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let them know of the Scholarships available to them through the Church, should they choose to apply for them.

Father's Day service—Traditionally we have done this as an Ecumenical Service at 10:00 AM in the park on the bleachers at Blanchardville McKellar Park. Dawn Doran will reach out to Mark Gruenenfelder to discuss the sound system and to Bev Lien to ask if she'd like to play piano. It will be a service of the word, with familiar hymns. Tiffany will look at a previous bulletin to see what songs were played. Designated offerings from the particular Churches will go to those Churches. Loose offering for this service will be donated to the Food Pantry.

Lenten \$ - where should it go? — Becky Johnson discussed that we have \$540 to designate from Lenten Services. It was suggested that we donate this to our Companion Synod in India. All agreed to this suggestion.

Being Green—Becky Johnson discussed that we should really start to think about where we can be more green and earth friendly. Kandi Lockard mentioned that the Trustees have already begun thinking of this in their decisions.

Name tags—We will encourage folks to wear their name tags again. We also can have name tags that we can write on in addition to the printed ones & Tiffany will send out a notice reminding folks to help Pastor with names, to wear their name tags.

Dates to remember:

May 28th – Pecatonica Class of 2021 Graduation @ 7:00 pm. This is not open to the public this year.

June 20th – Father's Day service in McKellar Park @ 10:00 am

August 2-5 – VBS @ McKellar Park 6:00 – 7:30

August 23rd meeting –at Gary Whitford Holey. Council picnic/meeting.

Next meeting: June 28th – @ Blanchardville @ 7:00 pm. Ron Syse made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Kandi Lockard. Motion carried. The meeting was closed with the reading of The Lord's Prayer.

Monthly Board Reports

New Hope Lutheran Church Deacons Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2021

Present – Pastor Chris, Ellen Syse, Ron Syse, Gary Whitford-Holey.

Communion.

Kaye Gilbertson has agreed to be responsible for recruiting Communion Assistants at Hollandale.

We made decisions about procedures to follow with regards to Communion distribution.

We will have Continuous Communion, one Line Communion cups are to be glass.

Put a cup in every other hole, to make it easier to pick it up.

Communion can be set up on Saturday or Sunday morning.

There will be little Gluten Free wafers in a little glass cup.

Communicants are to go forward using the Center Aisle and return back to their seats using the Side Aisles.

Pastor Chris distributes the bread.

The Assistant holds the tray with the wine cups, says the appropriate Words and the Communicant picks up her/his own cup.

If the Assistant feels tray is too heavy, it can put it on a little table.

Left-over wine can go back in the bottle.

Communicant puts her/his empty cup in a wicker basket.

The Acolyte or the usher is responsible for bringing down a full tray if the first one empties.

We will rely on the Usher to let Pastor know if someone needs Communion in the Pew.

Ushers, Greeters, Readers.

We need a 3-ring binder in each Narthex, describing the duties of Communion Assistants, Ushers, Greeters, and Readers. Ellen will develop the binders.

It was decided that people are responsible for getting a replacement if they cannot make their assignment.

Tithe.ly will be used as a sign-up mechanism.

Ushers can also serve as Greeters, unless they do not wish to do so.

Services

We will continue all summer with 2 services.

Hymns

The issue of who will be responsible for picking Sunday Worship Hymns will be decided at a future meeting.

Other Business

Starting in Autumn, meetings of Deacons will probably be on FaceTime.

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Beginning Sunday, June 6, we will begin singing in church with masks on, passing the offering plate and celebrating communion via continuous table. Individual communion kits will still be available for those who choose to remain in their pews. It's also time to start wearing our name tags again to help Pastor Chris put a name to the face.

LWR Deadline Sept 13-15

Barring the unforeseen, Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Monroe will be receiving items for Lutheran World Relief Monday through Wednesday, September 13-15, 2021. Cheese Days will be held

Board Reports continued

May 2021 – Trustee Monthly Update

Meeting held on 5/17/2021

Present: Dan Hittesdorf, Rodney Kurschner, Pastor Chris Strohm and Kandi Lockard

Parsonage

- Back door next to garage is loose and needs to be repaired.
- Tree in yard looks half dead, need to review and determine next steps.

Blanchardville Church

- Light timers will be reviewed and changed where needed.
- Meeting setup with Painter on 5/24 to review plaster repair and painting.

Hollandale Church

- Checking options to repair the electronic Chime system.
- The dehumidification system is scheduled to be installed on 5/21.
- The 2nd stove was picked up and placed in the basement.

Roadmap

- The roadmap was created in 2019 and runs thru 2023 for all NHL locations:
 - o 191 items in Total – 97 completed to date and 22 items assigned out

Fall-Cleanup

- Determine fall cleanup Date for all sites.

Next Trustee meeting scheduled for June 14 @ 5:30 p.m. at the Blanchardville Church

in Monroe that weekend so it is only a 3-day window of opportunity this year.

Acolyte Training

According to Beth Kundert who lead the acolyte training sessions on Sunday, May 16, eight young people either reviewed or learned about acolyting. Participating were Tucker Bethke, Kenadi Kundert, Sawyer Kundert, Luke Leonard, Bo Leonard, Jenna Kurschner, Audrey Hughes and Michael Henderson. Thank you to those individuals. Their energy and interest is appreciated. It will be nice to have the youth helping with worship again.

If you have a youth member who'd like to learn about acolyting, please reach out to the Church office.

THANKS FOR THE HELPING HANDS



A nice spring day, youthful energy and willing adults made quick work of cleaning up the stretch of Highway 78 that New Hope Lutheran takes care of that made for a positive event in many ways.

It was great to have 10 young people who willingly used their energy. Many thanks to Drew Hendrickson, Kyeton Kolb, Sawyer Kundert, Tucker Bethke, Bo Leonard, Luke Leonard, Jenna Kurschner, Tatum Kurschner, Kenadi Kundert and Audrey Hughes.

Our adults were so helpful too. Julie Saether took care of the road signs. Ellen Syse was the pizza chef and cleaned up the kitchen. Judy Watrud, Jess Kurschner, Ben Meyer, Chuck Meyer and Beth Kundert were on road crew duty. Again a huge thank you!

THRIVENT ACTION CARDS

Do you have a Thrivent Financial policy? If so, did you know that you are eligible to receive two \$250.00 Thrivent Action Team gift cards per year to be used to make an impact on a cause you personally care about? That's right! **Two \$250.00 gift cards per year!** Don't let this opportunity to help a cause near and dear to your heart be missed because you didn't get your request submitted. If you'd like assistance, please contact the church office as soon as possible so you can still capitalize on this opportunity before the end of the year.

Sanctuary Ministers

DAY/TIME	USHERS	LECTORS	ALTAR
Jun 06			
H-8:30			Bryan Lisser
B-10:30	Dave Gerber, Chuck Meyer	Julie Saether	Beth Kundert
Jun 13			
H-8:30			Flo Griffiths
B-10:30	Dave Gerber, Chuck Meyer	Tucker & Tiffany Bethke	Ellen Syse
Jun 20			
10:00	McKellar Park Service	Becky Johnson	
Jun 27			
H-8:30			G&A Whitford-Holey
B-10:30	Dave Gerber, Chuck Meyer	Ron Syse	Ellen Syse

Congratulations to the Graduates!

High School Graduates

Trevor Gilbertson
Alex Bredeson
Skylar Garthwaite
Bronwyn Mayhew

College Graduates:

Ben Thronson
Lauren Becker
Cory Linder

Grad School Graduates:

Clare Keast

GET INVOLVED
Make a Difference!



Attendance

Description	Date	Church Total
Sunday	5/2/21	62
Sunday	5/9/21	82
Sunday	5/16/21	45
Sunday	5/23/21	35
TOTAL:		224
AVERAGE:		56

REVENUE/EXPENSES

April Rev \$16,585.67
April Exp \$9,834.27
April Rev over Expense \$6,751.40

YTD Rev \$53,594.85
YTD Exp \$51,107.41
YTD Rev over Expense \$2,487.44
YTD Restricted Contributions \$3,525.00

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

We are still open the first and third Saturday of each month. Hand sanitizer is located by the door. People can also call if they would like or need food delivered. 608-212-9028.

News from the Glarner Lodge

Here at the Glarner Lodge we welcomed spring and visitors.

In the past months we have transitioned to a new Electronic Charting system; a new food service company with Unidine; and a new scheduling system for staff, all of which has resulted in a lot of Spring Cleaning! Outside spaces and the patio are freshened up and residents are enjoying a breath of fresh air on warmer days. As of this writing Glarner Lodge remains 100% COVID free and staff continue with weekly rapid testing and every other week, staff and residents are tested with PCR tests. According to Vicky Thelen, RN administrator, says, "We are grateful to the entire community for the support."

The Lodge is continuing to ask for donations of potted plants for the indoor environment. If you would like to donate a plant, we would take great care of it. Another new addition is a basket of fresh fruit outside the office door. residents enjoy stopping down to visit and grab a fresh orange, apple, banana or other treat.

Lastly we are looking to add some fun cooking days to the calendar like a pancake breakfast and browning baking afternoon. Keep any eye out for the Facebook page, Glarner Lodge Assisted Living for more updates.

HOME CARE

The New Glarus Home will be offering Supportive In-Home Care including bathing, light personal care, at-home respite, light housekeeping, laundry, ambulation assistance, medication reminders, companionship, supportive hospice care, post-acute transition and transportation services.

Visit the website www.nghome.org/the-homecare to request information or call (608) 636-2424.

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New Hope Lutheran — with sites in Blanchardville & Hollandale

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
H=Hollandale B=Blanchardville Pr=Pastor		1	2	3	4 Pastor Sabbath	5 10:00 Food Pantry @NH-B
6 8:30 Worship@H 10:30 Worship@B 11:30 Stay Connected	7 9-12 Pr Office Hours	8 <div></div>	9 Pastor out of office	10	11 Pastor Sabbath 5:30-6:30 NHL Free ice cream at B and H	12
13 8:30 Worship@H 10:30 Worship@B 1:00 Learn how to make plastic mats@B	14 9-12 Pr Office Hours 5:30 Trustee Mtg@B	15 9-12 Pr Office Hours	16	17	18 Pastor Sabbath Visitor articles due	19 10:00 Food Pantry @NH-B
20 10:00 Worship at McKellar Park 6:00 York 4-H	21 9-12 Pr Office Hours 7:30 Bd of Ed Mtg	22 9-12 Pr Office Hours	23	24 11:00 Visitor assembly by Blanchardville	25 Pastor Sabbath	26
27 8:30 Worship@H 10:30 Worship@B	28 9-12 Pr Office Hours 7:00 Council Mtg	29 9-12 Pr Office Hours	30	1	2 Pastor Sabbath	3 10:00 Food Pantry @NH-B
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