

# THE VISITOR

A monthly newsletter from  
New Hope Lutheran with sites in  
Blanchardville & Hollandale

MAY 2023

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



## Confirmation Sunday- May 7th, 2023. 10:00 a.m. Worship at Blanchardville

Join us in celebrating this very special spiritual milestone for Audrey Hughes, Jenna Kurschner, Alex Domine, Beckett Mieden, Luke Leonard, Michael Henderson and Matthew Jayne. We'll have a joint worship service at 10:00 a.m. at the Blanchardville Site. These students were asked to complete a "Statement of Faith" project, and these will be on display for the congregation to view.

*"I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus."  
1 Corinthians 1:4*

Hello Everyone,

May always for me is a time of celebration. I celebrate not only my birthday but also those of two of my grandsons and my daughter along with many family members. This year I celebrate my son Carson graduating college. Most important I celebrate those being Confirmed on May 7<sup>th</sup>. They have put in two years of work, listening to me lecture and question is work. They have completed their faith projects which will be on display in the Narthex. They are ready to assume the baptismal promises made for them by their parents. Congratulations Jenna, Audrey, Michael, Matthew, Alex, Beckett, and Luke. It has been an honor and a pleasure to walk with these students through these past two years.

We are also celebrating our Seniors this month who will be graduating. Closing one chapter in their lives and beginning another. "Oh the places you'll go" to quote Dr. Seuss. I hope you all have taken the time to leave our graduates a little message that they can take with them on their new adventures.

As we all know, learning doesn't stop when we graduate or are Confirmed in fact I believe at times it seems to accelerate. Every chapter in our lives brings with it the unknown and the farther our journeys take us the more we will learn until the unknown becomes the familiar. Our lives and our faith journeys have many unexpected twists and turns, detours and clear sailing but whichever way the road before us goes there is always one constant. You do not travel alone. God walks with along all your paths until your final path where God will lead you to a place of rest that has been especially prepared for you.

Whether you are taking the next step along your faith journey, heading into the wild unknown that is beyond high school, or just taking another trip around the sun, you are and always will be a beloved Child of God.

The peace of Christ be with you,  
Pastor Chris

## Congratulations on your Baptism!

Blessings to you, Brantley & Aubree Zweifel on this special spiritual milestone! Both were Baptized at the Blanchardville Site on Sunday, April 23rd, 2023.

Brantley & Aubree are the children of Joshua & Tracy (Eidsmoe) Zweifel. Aubree & Brantley are pictured below with Pastor Chris, their parents, and siblings Leyton and Keegan.



### ***You are invited!***

We'll be gathering at the Blanchardville Site on Fri. May 19th 6:00—8:00 pm. to play card games, dice games, and probably other games too! Bring something to share to eat and of course your favorite drink. All are welcome, young and old. Invite your friends and we'll have a good time!

## Mission Monday -May 22-

1:00 pm -3:00 pm &  
6:00 pm- 8:00 pm

*Mission Monday isn't just for women. All ages – men, women and youth – are invited to come help. We'll be doing plarn mats, cutting/sewing quilts and tying fleece quilts, if we have material. Mission Mondays will be held at the Blanchardville campus in the "Mission Central" (the old preschool room)*

## **GRADUATE RECOGNITION**

### **SUNDAY!**

Graduate Recognition Sunday will be on Sunday, May 21st at both Worship Services. Join us in congratulating these Scholars thru their academic and faith journey thus far.

***There are books in the narthex of the church, we hope you will take a moment to sign these books that will be given as a gift to our graduates.***

### Keep in your prayers:

We remember our members & friends, the sick and the homebound, those recovering or grieving: especially David Hermanson, Jeff Kuschner, Jenne O'Connor, Spencer Olson, Karen Beecher, Vicki Hughes, Roger Kittleson, Donna Arneson, Lyle Klosterman, John & Mary Carr, Doris Hermanson, & Richard & Peggy Gilbertson. We pray for the families of Peg Kapke, Parker Brown, Virginia Saltzman and Audrey Klosterman as they grieve their loss.

If you know someone that would like to be added to our prayer list; please reach out to the church office.

# May Sunday Worship 8:30 Blanchardville & 10:30 Hollandale

• Worship on 5/7 will be at 10:00 a.m. at Blanchardville Site

## Sunday Worship Assistants

### -May 7th, 2023 10:00 a.m. @ Blanchardville

**Greeters/Ushers:** Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf

**Communion:** Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf

**Acolyte:** Tucker Bethke

### -May 14th, Sarah Saether leading Worship Services

**Readers:** (B) Becky Johnson (H) Kara Terrill

**Greeters/Ushers:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf (H) Kara Terrill

**Communion:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf (H) Kaye Gilbertson

**Acolyte:** (H) Luke Leonard

### -May 21st

**Readers:** (B) Tina Steiner (H) Gary Whitford-Holey

**Greeters/Ushers:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf

(H) Andy Whitford-Holey

**Communion:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf (H) Flo Griffiths

### -May 28th, 2023:

**Readers:** (B) Chuck/Nancy Meyer (H) Andy Whitford-Holey

**Greeters/Ushers:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf

(H) Gary Whitford-Holey

**Communion:** (B) Dan & Marlys Hittesdorf

(H) Andy & Gary Whitford-Holey

**Acolyte:** (B) Beckett Mieden

### Altar Committees:

**Blanchardville Site:**

Beth Kundert

**Hollandale Site:**

Wayne & Jean Christen

Thank you to all who help with Worship, stop in to check on the churches from time to time, or just help in any way. It is greatly appreciated!

The Deacons are always looking for readers in church, greeters, ushers, and communion servers. Do you want to help? Contact the office today and we'll put you in touch with one of the Deacons.

### Musicians:

Bev Lien,  
Becky Johnson,  
&  
Marlys Hittesdorf

### FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2023

March Revenue \$21,496.38

March Expenses \$22,817.55

March Revenue over Expense (\$1,321.17)

\*Restricted Contributions \$2,000.00

Revenue over Expense Available for Operations (\$3,321.17)

YTD Revenue \$46,042.76

YTD Expenses \$50,966.17

YTD Revenue over Expense (\$4,923.41)

\*Restricted Contributions \$2,000.00

Revenue over Expense Available for Operations (\$6,923.41)

\*Restricted contributions cannot be spent for operating expenses (insurance, utilities, salaries, etc)

### Sunday Worship Attendance for March 2023

Description	Date	Church Total
Sunday	03/05/23	52
Sunday	03/12/23	48
Sunday	03/19/23	71
Sunday	03/26/23	40
<b>TOTAL:</b>		211
<b>AVERAGE:</b>		53

*Thank you to all who gather monthly to assemble the newsletters. It is very much appreciated!*

# Youth News

## **Youth News**

- ♦ Sunday School is completed until the Fall 2023.
- ♦ May 3<sup>rd</sup> Last day of Confirmation-Faith Projects due for those being confirmed
- ♦ May 7<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Sunday 10am worship in Blanchardville
- ♦ May 17<sup>th</sup>- Highway Clean-up after school (early release day)
- ♦ May 21<sup>st</sup> Graduate Recognition Sunday at both Services
- ♦ May 21<sup>st</sup>- Mission Trip meeting 11:30 in Blanchardville
- ♦ May 24<sup>th</sup>- Senior Dinner with Pastor Chris. Postcard invites were mailed.
- ♦ June 17 leave for Mission Trip, arrive home on June 24

In Summer of 2024 there is a **HUGE Youth Gathering, in New Orleans!** We've talked with the Confirmation students about this trip but want to keep you parents looped in as well. It is important for us to get an idea of who will be attending so that planning for this event can continue. **Please ask your student if they'd like to go.** Additionally, if you'd like to attend as a chaperone, that is awesome. Get in touch with the office today ([newhopeoffice@tds.net](mailto:newhopeoffice@tds.net)) if your student plans to attend, or if you'd like to chaperone. Youth participants must be in eighth to 12th grade at the time of registration (fall 2023). Adult leaders must be at least 21 years old at the time of the Gathering.

### ***It's time to be thinking about Summer Camp! Scholarships Opportunities are available!***

It's time to start thinking about Summer Camp for your kids/grandkids or your family! There are SO many area opportunities available. There are Scholarship opportunities available too! Contact the office today with any questions! 608-523-4239 or [newhopeoffice@tds.net](mailto:newhopeoffice@tds.net)

Sugar Creek joined us at both Worship services on Sun.March 12th, to talk about opportunities they have available. Check out their website at <https://www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org/>

- ♦ Lutherdale: <https://www.lutherdale.org/summer-camp>
- ♦ Lake Lucerne: <https://wiumcamps.org/>
- ♦ Bethel Horizons: <https://www.bethelhorizons.org/what-we-do/summer-camps/>

***Again this year, a very generous anonymous donation was made for "camperships" to Sugar Creek or Lutherdale Bible Camps, or be used to have Bible Camp Staff come here to New Hope Lutheran to lead VBS. Contact the office today to get a Scholarship Form or with any other questions.***



### Newsletter Deadline

If you'd like to submit an article/announcement for the monthly newsletter "Visitor" it is due by

**Friday, May 19th, 2023**

Newsletter assembly:

**May 25th by  
Hollandale Area  
Volunteers**

### PECATONICA AREA

### FOOD PANTRY

1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month  
10:00-11:00 a.m.

2nd Wed of the month 5:30 -7:00 pm  
at New Hope-Blanchardville Site

Non perishable food items, toiletries, hygiene products and \$40 in vouchers per month available.

Please contact a committee member if you are in need of delivery or have questions:  
Tiffany Bethke—608-212-9028  
Jean Christen -- 608-967-2349

**Mark your calendar:** The Women of New Hope Lutheran decided that each month we plan to do some sort of a fellowship activity on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the even months of the year and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday on the odd months of the year. These events may be as simple as meeting at someone's house, at church, going to a show or play, a craft event, etc. Sometimes we'll plan these fellowship times just for us ladies and other times we'll invite everyone! :)

### *For May, everyone is invited!*

We'll be gathering at the Blanchardville Site on Fri. May 19th 6:00—8:00 pm. We'll be playing card games, dice games, and probably other games too! Bring something to share to eat and of course your favorite drink. All are welcome, young and old.

**Thank you to the Women of  
New Hope Lutheran for the purchase  
of the corsages, boutonniere's and  
roses for our Confirmands.**

### ***Spring Cleaning dates announced at both sites!***

Spring clean-up at Blanchardville Site starting at 8 a.m. on Sat. May 6th

Spring cleaning at Hollandale Site starting at 8:00 a.m on Sat. May 20th

Can you lend a hand, inside or out!?  
If so, any age is welcome! Many hands make light work.

### 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!**

It's never too early to start thinking ahead about how these cards can do great work! If you need an idea, contact the office today!

## **Council Meeting Minutes- Minutes taken by: Becky Johnson**

### **New Hope Lutheran Council Meeting**

April 17, 2023 Location: Hollandale Site

Attendees: Pastor Chris Strohm, Chuck Meyer, Becky Johnson, Judy Watrud, Kelsey Chrostowski, Dan Hittesdorf, Rodney Kurschner, Jayne Kurschner, Judy Watrud, Jay Massey, Gary Whitford Holey (via Zoom)

**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.**

*The minutes are a draft version until approved at the next scheduled Council meeting.*

Opened with prayer by Pastor Chris. A motion to approve March minutes was made by Rodney Kurschner and seconded by Kelsey Chrostowski. Motion carried. Treasurer's report was approved as presented. Board of Education report was reviewed and it was noted that the Women's group will pay for the confirmation flowers. Kelsey will check with Tiffany about ordering them. Trustee report was reviewed with a discussion on the air conditioning in the Blanchardville sanctuary. No correspondence, transfers, new members or visitors.

### **New Business:**

Motion made by Dan Hittesdorf and seconded by Judy Watrud to approve Audrey Hughes, Jenna Kurschner, Alex Domine, Beckett Mieden, Luke Leonard, Michael Henderson and Matthew Jayne for confirmation. Motion carried. Brief discussion was held on the recipients of the Trinity scholarship money. Discussion was held on the meeting night for council. The current meeting time (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday) conflicts with the school board meeting. Council decided by consensus to try meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday with the understanding that we will need to get dates and information to the church office before the meeting in order to meet the Visitor deadline. Discussion was held on adding an action plan to the agenda to facilitate task assignment, follow up and completion. Discussion held on Mutual Ministry Committee/Pastoral Support Team. This group would act as a liaison between the pastor and the council and should be comprised of non-council members. We will work with Paul Sather (Chair of the Call Committee) and Pastor Chris to get this started. Becky brought up a letter to the editor of the "Wisconsin State Journal" from a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader in Virginia looking for information on Wisconsin as part of a school project. Becky will get the letter to Tiffany for publication in the bulletin and other social media. Pastor Chris updated us on his upcoming vacation days and continuing education.

### **Old Business:**

Continued discussion on 4 Guys in Dinner Jackets. Decided we did not want to serve meal, but will do drinks instead. We may do two shows at Blanchard Hall. Ned to discuss with their representation how much space they will need for performing. No specific date yet. This will be a general fund fundraiser with 10% donated. Scholarship discussion was tabled to September at the March meeting. Families in Our Community video link wasn't working so tabled to the May meeting. After a brief discussion decided to not add anymore outdoor worship for 2023 (over and above the ones we already do). Chicken BBQ won't be held in 2023. Made a note to add to the agenda for January 2024 to get an earlier start on organizing it

### **Dates to remember (Subject to Change)**

April 22 Highway Clean up

April 28-29 Rummage Sale

April 30 Sunday School Program at Hollandale, 10:00 am

May 6 Cleaning Day at Blanchardville Site 8:00 am

May 7 Confirmation at Blanchardville, 10:00 am

May 20 Cleaning Day at Hollandale, Site 8:00 am

Aug 19 10:00 – 3:00 VBS

**Military Support:** As U.S. Troops continue to deploy and defend our nation overseas, members may want to know how to send care packages for service members – even if they don't personally know them. Care packages sent to overseas bases or stateside hospitals are a great way to show that gratitude. This mission opportunity has been started to help fill this support gap. Sample of items being collected are: Hand warmers, Lotion, Gum, Disposable razors (men's and women's), Cookies, Vitamins, Snacks that fit in a backpack easily (beef jerky, Pringles, sweet and salty mixes), Warm soft socks, Stocking hats, Magazines like Country Living, Game books like crossword, word search, sudoku. A full list of goods, food and "no-nos" is listed on the [Support Our Troops](#) website. ***If you know of a specific service member, please contact the church office. Otherwise, the support will go for general distribution to the service members. Boxes for donations are at each church site.***

### **Help Student learn about Wisconsin**

I am a third-grade student in northern Virginia. Our class is learning about the United States, and I will be teaching our school about the great state of Wisconsin.

In the month of May, I will create a display about Wisconsin for our Virginia State Fair that I hope will make you proud. Though I have gathered facts about your state from books and websites, I think I can receive the best information from the people who live there.

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You might consider sending postcards, pictures, souvenirs or other items that would show your state pride. Here are a few questions:

- Why do you live in your state?
- What is your job?
- What does your state look like?
- What do people do for fun?
- What animals live there?
- What traditional food and recipes does your state have?
- What type of music is native to your state?
- Do you have a state athletic team?
- What geographic features are unique to your state?

I will need to gather all of my information by the second week of May. You can mail items to the address below. I really appreciate your help.

Bryce McKinney,

Miss Campbell's class,  
The Langley School  
1411 Balls Hill Road  
McLean, Virginia 22101

### **Bathroom at the Blanchardville Site:**

Have you seen the upstairs bathroom at the Blanchardville Site lately? Special thanks to those who came in and got this project started! It is looking great!!!

thank you

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

CREATED

TO BE MYLE  
the table Young Adult Gathering

Bible study

service

interactive learning

fellowship

worship

July 16-20, 2024

New Orleans

Informational Meeting: April 16th 11:30  
at Blanchardville site

## Experience of a Lifetime

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth gather for a week of faith formation. Where young adults are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

**Contact: Pastor Chris ([newhope.pastor@tds.net](mailto:newhope.pastor@tds.net)) to join our New Hope Youth in 2024**

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**Board of Education Report: Date: 4/10/2023 7 pm @ Hollandale Minutes by: Kelsey Chrostowski**

Brat Sale/ Rummage Sale April 28th&29th

- 4/28: 4pm-6pm
- 4/29: 11am-2pm
- There will be a sign up Genius sent out (Tiff can send out?)

Received: \$220 from easter breakfast, \$100 from Easter Flowers

We talked about Sunday School Teacher Gifts

Confirmation May 7th

- Boutonniere and Corsages
- o Silk vs real: Board of ed getting prices at local florists

Highway clean-up April 22th start at 11am in Blanchardville. There will be pizza and drinks after work is done.

- Talked about if Saturday's work better for kids or if there is another good time for future like Wednesday early release days?

Mission Trip is full (June 17-24 2023)

- Kevin has graciously donated his van (Awesome thank you Kevin) Pastor will discuss insurance and other responsibilities with this.

New Orleans meeting April 16 in Blanchardville after church (trip is July 16-24 2024)

- Sending information out to other kids
- o Send out different email after we see turn out (maybe ask Tiff) yet TBD
- o Commitment needed by end of September 2023
- ✦ "Security deposit" talk about to help confirm places (not yet determined)

✦ Fundraiser ideas thrown out still

✦ Brate sale @ shoe box

- Amanda check for dates in 2024

✦ Roy's brat sale

✦ Card \$ board

- Is there a way to contact Tidley for online animation

- Facebook comment live section to claim spot

✦ Chili cook off (january/february 2024)

Rally day idea

- Backpack money fund

- o Get backpacks from Lands' End (Amanda's reach out)

✦ Stuff the backpacks

✦ Pack the bus?

Sunday School Teacher Volunteers reach out for 2023-2024 year

- Curriculum

VBS August 19 10a-3p with lunch to be served

Kelsey checks with Sarah Saether maybe to help?

Next Meeting: May 8th 7pm @Hollandale

**Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes- Date: 4/10/2023 Minutes taken by: Pastor Chris**

Meeting began at 4:00 in the Blanchardville site conference room.

VP Chuck Meyer, Dan Hittesdorf, Jay Massey, Pastor Chris was in attendance.

We set Spring Clean up days for the two sites as May 6<sup>th</sup> at Blanchardville beginning at 8 am. May 20<sup>th</sup> at Hollandale beginning at 8 am. This will involve cleaning inside and outside and taking note of any problem areas that need further attention.

We have put off starting the basement floor until we have the money mainly because we don't know what we will find and how extensive this project might be.

The floor in the bathroom in the main hallway can be started anytime. Mr. Dave Gerber has expressed some interest in this project.

Pressure washing the siding at the Hollandale site was discussed and Jay Massey will lead this project.

We then took a walk around the outside of the building and took note of the east side entry in need of replacement.

The soffit and fascia on the church need to be checked and portions replaced.

Pastor Chris will double check the warranty on the stained-glass window project as it was noticed that one of the plexiglass coverings was cracked.

There are also ruts in the lawn along side the exit ramp of the parking lot which need to be fixed. Chuck Meyer said he could get some dirt to fill in and plant some grass seed.

Next meeting in Hollandale on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

Hello,

As I sit here writing this, I have on my desk a copy of a “Back in Black” letter. A letter as you know is intended to bring in extra money to bring us back to being current with all of our expenses. This is a letter that I am hesitant to send out for a variety of reasons, the main one being that I believe it sends the wrong message. The message that New Hope is a sinking ship even though that is not the case. There is a lot that goes on in and through New Hope. Ministry that impacts not only our members but also our communities, and the world. This is a thriving church.

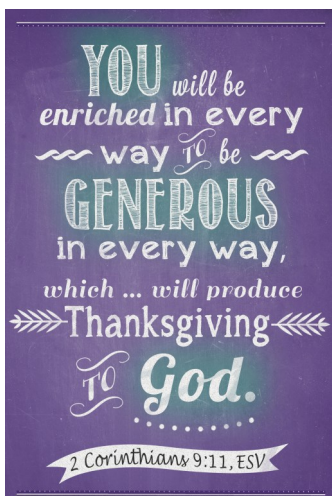
My belief is that we, the congregation, the leadership, and myself need to re-educate ourselves on stewardship and what that means. It is more than just printing the budget and the weekly amount we need to keep the lights on. To begin this reeducation I am reading a book entitled, “Not your Parent’s Offering Plate.” Once I am done reading this book and digesting the information within it, I will begin sharing it with some of you. Don’t be surprised if I show up on your doorstep with questions for you about stewardship and an invite to join a small team that will wrestle with the ideas within this book. A team that will plan out and implement a stewardship program beginning this fall. The goal as I said is to reeducate all of us about stewardship and to reinvigorate your giving to New Hope.

Let us begin by exploring the reasons people give. 1. Belief in the mission 2. High regard for staff leadership. 3. Fiscal responsibility. Belief in the mission, what does this mean? People want to make the world a better place to live. They want to be a part of something that changes lives. They want to know that the money given will help to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, heal the sick, give hope to the hopeless, bring peace, and in general make the world a better place to live. Here’s the thing, I know that the church is changing lives. The question I put before you is how do we tell the story?

High regard for staff leadership, what does this mean? Realistically this falls mostly on my shoulders. It also falls upon those who step forward to help lead the church by being on the council. Right now we are one leader short. We lack a president, why is that? Are you afraid you do not have the skills? Or are you afraid you will get blamed for sinking a ship that is already floundering? You have called me to be your pastor and part of that job is that I become the keeper of the vision and mission, do you trust me to lead effectively into the vision and mission of New Hope?

Fiscal Responsibility, what does this mean? It means exactly what it says it means, people do not give to sinking ships. They give to ships that are sailing strong and give every indication of reaching their destination. The truth of the matter is that we are very fiscally responsible. New Hope, like a lot of churches, gets a majority of its giving at the end of the year in the months of November and December which results in spending the majority of the year in the red. We cannot continue this cycle of giving because the cost of everything keeps on rising. Consistent monthly giving is beneficial not only in the paying of the bills but also for looking ahead to where our mission will take us. Do you trust your leadership to be fiscally responsible with the dollars you give? If not, are you willing to step up and help lead? This is not your parents’ offering plate but it is yours, are you willing to own it?

Pastor Chris





# May

BIRTHDAYS

Pastor Chris	Strohm	May 2
Robert	O'Connor	May 2
Kenadi	Kundert	May 3
Ellen	Syse	May 4
Todd	Haldiman	May 4
Jacob	Carr	May 4
Wyat	Mieden	May 5
Margaret	Barnes	May 5
Tucker	Bethke	May 6
Tara	Wahl	May 7
Neal	Klassy	May 7
Ian	Zimmerman	May 8
Cory	Linder	May 11
Asher	Wollin	May 11
Amanda	Steiner	May 11
Beckett	Mieden	May 11
Vicki	Powell	May 12
Marcia	Bredeson	May 12
Robert	Helmeid	May 13
Paige	Toay	May 14
Casey	O'Connor	May 16
Debra	Johnson	May 17
Timothy	Peterson	May 18
Mark	Emberson	May 18
Christian	Kittleson	May 18
Tristan	Olson	May 18
Tiffany	Bethke	May 19
Brayden	McNeill	May 20
Joshua	Hittesdorf	May 22
Brady	O'Connor	May 22
Carter	Ruegsegger	May 23
Landon	Wahl	May 23
Korbyn	Hughes	May 23
Shari	O'Connor	May 23
Crosby	Hendrickson	May 24
Connor	Mayhew	May 24
Marlys	Hittesdorf	May 24
Hudson	Kleppe	May 25
Kelly	Hermanson	May 26
Aaron	Bernet	May 27
Franklin	Barnes	May 28
Tonia	Smith	May 29
Jesse	Puckett	May 30
Judy	Watrud	May 30
Maci	Nolden	May 30
Jason	Retrum	May 31



*to Celebrate*

Bryan & Jeanne	Lisser	05/20/1967
David & Cindy	Whitford	05/20/1978
Steven & Kelly	Hermanson	05/22/1982
Pam & John	Lauper	05/22/1982
Dennis & Shelly	Olson	05/05/1984
Jim & Jayne	Gordon	05/11/1985
John & Dawn	Doran	05/19/1985
John & Jubie	Simonson	05/28/1994
Mike & Tara	Wahl	05/21/2005
Jennie & Christopher	Henderson	05/16/2009
Kara & Harley	Terrill	05/23/2009

*To the Ladies of New Hope Lutheran*

Thank you for your support and time serving the lunch. It was a very nice event.

-The family of Peg Kapke

### **Lutherdale Announces “Travel Ministry” Day Trips.**

Travel ministry trips depart and return to Lutherdale. Overnight parking is available for all participants. Accommodations in the HOPE conference center may be available the night before or after trips.

Check them out at [Lutherdale.org](http://Lutherdale.org) or check out the bulletin board at church for more details!

### **Chess Club at the Blanchardville Public Library**

Ready to put your chess skills to the test? The Blanchardville Public Library's Chess Club will be held every Saturday that we are open (2nd and 4th Saturday of every month) from 10AM until Noon. All ages and experience levels are welcome to join. We have coffee and tea available. The library's chess sets may also be used inside the library at anytime outside of the chess club hours.

### **Bow Wow Luau hosted by Shag @ Wag K9 Country Club**

Saturday, May 13th 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fun filled Luau themed day camp for you and your dog featuring agility and obedience training, group play, contests with prizes, Hawaiian style food and drink, music, and costume contest. Limited spots available-preregistration is required! Call or message now to sign up! Some restrictions apply. 608-482-1467

Pecatonica High School

Graduation

*Class of 2023*

May 26th, 7:00 pm.

### *Middle School—High School Spring Concert*

May 10th, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. at  
Pecatonica High School Gymnasium

Pecatonica Elementary  
Presents:

# *Joy!*

**A Spring Concert highlighting  
the things that bring us joy  
and happiness**

**Friday, May 12th, 2023  
Pecatonica Elementary School  
1:00 p.m.**



### **DIY Succulent Plant Terrarium**

*Announcement from Blanchardville Public Library:*  
On Monday May 15th at 4PM, we will be making DIY Succulent Plant Terrariums in the library! This program is free and everything will be provided. Supplies are limited. If you would like library staff to reserve some supplies for you, please call us at 608-523-2055 or stop in and let staff know.