



Northland Church Parish Messenger

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From the Desk of Pastor Bill

In the mid-1500s, English poet Thomas Tusser, wrote "Sweet April showers / Do spring May flowers". We have since simplified it to "April showers bring May flowers" For the most part, that is true. It is the warmer weather and rain of April that brings about the beauty of nature with tree blossoms and wildflowers we experience in May. It is a wonderful time of year. Everything is so beautiful, vibrant and alive in the Spring.

Our lives, as humans, are much like the seasons, always changing. During our younger years we are beautiful, vibrant and alive. As we get older, no matter how hard we try to stop it, our beauty and vibrancy fades. Consequently, the way we view life changes as well. We change. God, however, does not.

One of the characteristics of God agreed on by almost every theologian is that God is "immutable" meaning He is "unchanging over time or unable to be changed." God does not go through changes; He does not lose His vibrancy. He does not adapt to the different seasons of cultures...neither does His Word. The Apostle Peter, wanting to teach this truth to his readers, wrote this.

1 Peter 1:23-25

...you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for

"All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,

and the flower falls,

but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

It's comforting for me to know that our salvation is not based on something that is going to change over time. As time moves on, God is not going to change His plan to better accommodate the thinking of the day. I am encouraged by Peter's words, "***...the word of the Lord remains forever."***
And this word is the good news that was preached to you



1st Juliana Olson
3rd Daniel Somers, Kate Crossman
5th Tami Gunderson
9th Karena Finch, Tobias Gross
10th Sarah Heschke
12th Chloe Timdal
11th Jennifer Wogsland
13th Jorryn Olson
14th Teresa Amundson, Mike Karolus
15th Jetta Stacey, Saylor Stacey
16th Keith Oligney, Jeff Heschke
18th Ronald Reinert
19th Darcy Oligney
21st Kevin Nerlien
26th Kelvin Hanson
27th Brooke Allred, Larry Louison
28th Arlette Peterson
29th Mary Chind

May 2025 at a Glance

Altar Guild: Dianne Erickson

Usher: Hahn Family

AA meetings every Thursday at 7:00 pm in church basement

Confirmation Sunday May 4 with Communion

Men's Ministry May 4 after Service

Council meeting Sunday May 11 after church

Tuesday Quilters May 20 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Projector

May 4 th Dale T.

May 18 Craig A.

May 11 Kevin D.

May 25 Carl T.



Please Remember that we begin 9:00 AM Worship Serves starting May 11

Memorial Day Reflection May 25 during Service

Northland Church Council Meeting
March 9, 2025

Members Present, Bill Hahn, Robbie Lashua, Tom Kellenhauser, Richard Kirchhoff, Shelly Erickson, Lana Reagles, Larry Barikmo. Guest Keith Reagles, and Dianne Erickson. Dianne acting for Secretary.

Bill H. opened meeting with prayer.

Pastor Bill gave his report.

There was no Secretary Report.

Treasure report was read.

1/31/2025 Checking Bal. \$21,579.10 1/31/2025 Savings Bal. 149955.20
January Cash Flow **\$-1,052.75 (new computers: 2 office, 1 treasurer)**

2/28/2025 Checking Bal. \$19783.88
2/28/2025 Savings Bal. \$150127.75
February Cash Flow **\$-1,622.67 (new Furnace)**

Nominating Committee was discussed but will leave to next months meeting.

Auditing Committee will be discussed at next month's meeting.

MFL Logging has started by (Buffalo Lumber & Tie Co. & Schreiner Forestry) Lots of Mud.

Septic appears to be still frozen. Next year we will need to make sure no snow is plowed over that area.

New Business

Discussion on parking lot this Sunday was not plowed.

New picture book was discussed that Congregation should have extra notice as to time and place.

Discussion on when church is cancelled it should be on Facebook and Church Website, also group text to be investigated.

Pastor Bill brought up Nick and Brook Patrick, Thor Patrick to be accepted as new members of Northland Church. A motion was made by Larry B. and 2nd by Robbie L. to accept them as New Members. Motion carried.

Discussion on front door, Seams to be in good working order now. Jack Lashua has volunteered to paint. Ladies group was asked to come up with the color.

Discussion on Communion how many times per month. It will be up to Pastor Bill to determine times each month and whether it will be intinction or at the rail. Men's Ministry will look into a small railing for the step up to the Communion railing.

Discussion on Guest Speakers and free will offerings. Pastor Bill will be allowed to bring in speakers at his discretion and have a free will offering taken. He will let the office know a head of time so we can publish in bulletin.

Discussion on organizing a group for people with special need of food, funding, etc. A group consisting of Pastor Bill, Jerry Quimby, and Dianne Erickson was asked to get together and bring back to Council what would this entail.

Discussion on logging some trees around church, as long as loggers are here.

Council Meetings will now be held on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Richard K. made a motion to Adjourn 2nd Robbie L. motion carried.

Closed with Lord's Prayer

These minutes have not been approved. Acting Secretary Dianne Erickson