



## Northland Church Parish Messenger

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### **From the Desk of Pastor Bill**

Here's a question..."What do June bugs and Asparagus have in common? I'm sure that there are many answers to that, but for my purpose I would answer that, "They both have a relatively short existence. " At least in what we can see. We start to see June bugs in late May hovering around our porch lights (and crunching underfoot) and by the end of June, they seem to no longer be a problem. As for Asparagus...the harvest season of only about a month, seems way too short for people like me who love fresh asparagus. From what we can see, both of these things are short lived.

If we do a little research though, we find that both of these things have a lot longer life than we know. It turns out that a June bug actually "lives" for up to 3 years in its various stages and an Asparagus plant can continue to produce for 15 to 20 years.

We, as people, are much the same. In James 4:14 it says, "What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes." Our lives, especially the productive years, can seem so short. Like the June bug and the asparagus plant, that is only what we see. In truth, our existence is eternal. Perhaps that is why God encourages us in 2 Corinthians 4:17 to..." fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

There is far more to our existence than meets the eye. As God's children thought faith in Christ, we are going to live forever. In light of eternity this life is little more than a mist. Our response to that truth should change our focus. In Colossians 3:1,2 the Apostle Paul writes, "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

As you sweep the June bugs off your porch be reminded that just like them there is much more to your existence than just this life...In Christ, there is so much more!

# **HAPPY FATHERS DAY TO ALL !!!!!**



**1st Nathan Louison, Dale Thompson**

**3rd Alex Wagler**

**5th Collin Allred, Shirley Jacobson, Adam Miller**

**7th Ryan Lehman, Sandy Lashua**

**8th Cynthia Amundson**

**9th Dawn Finch**

**12th Gage Glodowski**

**13th Mary Jo Lashua**

**16th Michelle Kraemer**

**20th Cole Allred, Jody Allred**

**21st Richard Kirchhoff**

**23rd Jamie Allred**

**24th Geraldine Larson**

**26th Carroll Thompson**

**27th Chris Allred, Samuel Van Epern, Marilyn Samano-Mitchell**

**29th Alan Whitaker, Brian Amundson**

**Happy Birthday to All!!!!!!**

## **REMINDER**

**New Church Directory**

**Photography Dates, June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

## **Pork Extravaganza**

This year Pork Extravaganza will be June 21, 2025. Please mark your calendars for this day. In order to put on this event, we will need help. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dianne Erickson. We will be having a bake sale and craft sale also, so people should be thinking about what they would like to make.

## June at a Glance

ALTAR GUILD: Marilyn Mitchell

USHERS: Glodowski Family

AA MEETING: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in church Basement

MENS MEN'S MINISTRY: Sunday June 1 following Worship

COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday June 8 following Worship.

TOWN of Harrison meeting June 9, 6:30PM

FATHERS DAY June 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> Offering goes to Foundation for Living.

JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: July 17

TUESDAY QUILTER'S: Tuesday June 17 9:00 to 3:00.

NORTHLAND CHURCH LADIES meet June 18 1:00 PM

PORK EXTRAVAGANZA June 21 1:00 – 5:00 PM

NEW MEMBER Sunday Potluck after Church June 29.

### PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

June 1 Dale T

June 22 Bruce M.

June 8 Kevin D.

June Carl T.

June 15 Craig A.

### NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

JUNE 29

Church will provide Pulled Pork

Member bring Potluck, Salads, Deserts

SEE YOU THERE!!!

**Dale Thompson is looking for volunteers to work the OLD CAR SHOW. Your hours can be donated to Northland Lutheran Church or any other organization you would like. Please contact him at 715-445-3156**