

March 2023

Messenger



**It's still winter, but spring is near. It's Lent, but we're pointed toward Easter.
Keep us hopeful, Lord!**

March Birthdays

3rd Nikki Richtmeyre, Craig Anderso
4th Carson Lashua, Robert M Lashua
5th Janet Gunderson, Jeremy Whitaker,
Matthew Whitaker, Nicole Whitaker,
Ella Thompson, Rich McKay, Ethan
Wyman
6th Jameson Heschke
8th Saguara Foley
9th Jessie Anderson
10th Julie Maher
15th Bobbie Jo Peterson, Mark White
16th Paige Norquay
18th Sonia Lee
19th Laura Karolus
23rd Emilie Honick
27th Nicole Wagler
28th John Evans
29th Mark Melum, Mike Melum
31st Luke Van Epern

If you have not seen your birthday listed in the newsletter please call or email the church office.

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DAN

The State of Humiliation

1. While Jesus had awesome God powers, He didn't always use them
2. Jesus was born of a virgin. It's a fact.
3. Jesus lived a servant life to teach us about serving others

Christ's state of humiliation refers to the fact that He did not always use, or did not fully use all the time, the powers He had as the Son of God. We can also look on as Christ concealing at times the fact that He was truly God.

As we discuss this, though, we must avoid the error of thinking or suggesting that Christ ever gave up His divine nature or ever was without it. Setting it aside in the sense of not fully using His divine status. Paul explains it this way in Philippians 2:5-8

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Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

[6] Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, [7] but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. [8] And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death even death on a cross!

Here Paul beautifully summarizes the reality of Christ's state of humiliation. The word form can also be translated "nature". In order to save us, Christ willingly did not use all the attributes of His divinity at all times, but took on the form of a servant—His human form—being born like we are born, living as we live, dying as we die, to offer Himself up as the full and final sacrifice for all sins.

So, let's look at Christ's walk "down the ladder" of His humiliation as we have it in the Apostles' Creed:

The Ladder of Christ's Humiliation:

Conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified died and was buried. Scripture teaches that in the virginal conception of Jesus, the Son of God, He was given a true human body and soul in the womb of the Virgin Mary. Luke 1:35 explains what happened this way:

The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God.

Joseph, who had recently become engaged to be married to Mary, was extremely baffled by Mary's report that an angel had visited her to announce that she was to be the mother of a son. God stepped in, though, to reveal to Joseph that he should not be troubled at this. "Joseph, Son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the

Holy Spirit" [Matthew 1:20]. Most of us are aware of the ordinary stresses and tensions that arise with any upcoming wedding, but can you imagine how Joseph must have felt? Mary had humbly accepted the angel's message to her and "Treasured up all these things, Pondering them in her heart." [Luke 20:19]. We are called to do the same. Because we cannot fully comprehend or understand how these things are so, we accept that they are so, we accept that they are so, by God's gracious revelation to us through the Holy Scripture.



MARCH 2023 AT A GLANCE

ALTAR GUILD:

AA MEETING: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, March 19th following Worship.

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Thursday, March 16th

MEN'S MINISTRY: Sunday, March 5th following Worship.

TUESDAY QUILTER'S: March 21st from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

USHER: Dean & Carson Lashua

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

March 1st Kevin D.

March 5th Craig A.

March 8th Bruce M.

March 12th Tara T.

March 15th Carl T.

March 19th Kevin D.

March 22nd Craig A.

March 26th Bruce M.

March 29th Tara T.



APRIL 2023 AT A GLANCE

ALTAR GUILD: ---

AA MEETING: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, April 16th following Worship.

MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Thursday, April 13th

MEN'S MINISTRY: Sunday, March 2nd following Worship.

TUESDAY QUILTER'S: April 18th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

USHER: John Overdahl

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

April 2nd (Palm Sunday) Carl T.

April 6th (Maundy Thursday) Kevin D.

April 7th (Good Frida) Craig A.

April 9th (Easter) Dale T.

April 16th Bruce M

April 23rd Tara T.

April 30th Carl T.

Northland Lutheran Church
Presents...



Seder Supper

Come and experience the telling of the Passover meal, while taking part in it! Northland Lutheran Church will be presenting a Seder Supper on

Thursday, April 6, 2023

6:00 PM

At: Northland Lutheran Church, N9880 State Hwy 49, Iola, WI 54945

**Call the Northland Church Office for reservations at
715-445-2956**

**Northland Church Council Meeting
February 19, 2023**

Member present Craig Anderson, Shelly Erickson, Bill Hahn, Richard Kirchhoff, Mary Fiane, Pam Dahle, Dianne Erickson. Guest Kevin Dahle.

Craig opened meeting.

Pastor Mary opened with a prayer.

Secretaries report read and accepted as read.

Treasure report read and accepted as read

1/31 Checking balance \$22,312.76

1/31 Memorial Fund balance \$62,716.85

1/31 Cash Flow for January -\$649.21

A discussion on Funerals Services, Pastor Mary Fiane will be on call for all Funerals.

Propane will be needed soon.

Discussion on front door Craig will look into repairs or new.

Maundy Thursday Service will be a Seder Supper. Please RSVP to the Office Answering Machine. There will be a free will offering taken.

The hunting land lease will be open to all Congregation members, Family, and Friends starting in March of 2023. Please have closed bids in by May of 2023 to Bill Hahn. Minimum bid will be \$1,200.00. Lease runs from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024. Motion made by Mary 2nd by Shelly motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn by Richard 2nd by Bill carried.

Closed with Lords prayer.

These minutes have not been approved. Dianne Erickson Secretary

Puzzle!

Slow down and uncover this message and Bible verse, using the code below.



Answer: We must talk to God and listen for God. "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

2023 Northland Church Annual Meeting
January 29,2023

Quorum Present 27 members

President Craig Anderson opened meeting.

Prayer was read by Dianne Erickson

Secretary's Report read Report accepted as read.

Treasure's report . Report accepted as read.

Pastor Dan gave his report.

Proposed 2023 Budget

Motion made by Roger Olson 2nd Pam Dahle to accept Budget. Motion Carried.

Forest land some timber will be logged. Logging could be done between 1-3 years.

Pork Extravaganza motion to have by Kevin Dahle 2nd by Bruce Mitchell. This will happen in June 2023 date will check later. Motion Carried.

Lutefisk Supper 3rd Saturday in October motion made to have by Pam Dahle 2nd by Shelly Erickson. Motion Carried.

Special Offering

Motion made by Roger Olson 2nd by Dawn Lashua. Motion Carried

Lenten Services offering will go to Operation Backpack

Mother's Day offering will go to Agape Center

Father's Day offering will go to Foundation for Living

Thank Offering will go to Samaritins Purse

Special Offering for Chester Krause Legacy Park last Sunday of April 2023. Motion made by Fran Moen 2nd Dawn Lashua. Motion Carried.

Discussion on Front Door and Parking lot paving, seal coating. More discussion needed.

2023 year: Head ushers Debbie and Dale Thompson; Auditing Committee Vicki Allred and Jim Wrolstad

Nominating Committee Bruce Mitchell and Cindy Amundson. Member from council will be assigned at next Council meeting.

Vice President Bill Hahn motion made by Dianne Erickson 2nd by Mary Fiane motion Carried.

2 Council positions Mary Fiane and Pam Dahle motion made by Bruce Mitchell 2nd by Kevin Dahle. Motion Carried

A paper ballot vote was taken to accept Pastor Dan Somers Resignation as of December 31, 2023. The results were 27 yes's and 1?.

A Call Committee was formed. Members Debbie and Dale Thompson, Dianne Erickson, Pam and Kevin Dahle, Jessie Glodowski, Marilyn Mitchell, Bill Hahn, Richard Kirchhoff.

Motion made to Adjourn 1st Jessie Glodowski 2nd by Greg Krogwold. Motion Carried

These minutes have not been approved. Secretary Dianne Erickson