

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR DAN

THE "I AM" STATEMENTS OF CHRIST -- "I Am the Bread of Life"

John records various times when Christ described Himself as "I am" followed with a statement about bread. Christ refers to Himself as "the bread of life" [John 6:35, 48]. He is 'the bread that came down from heaven" [John 6:41] and "the living bread" [John 6:51]. The Jews were stunned. "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?" Their grumbling leads Christ to add that He is "the bread that came down from heaven" [John 6:4].

In speaking these words, Christ drew a parallel between His life and the manna God provided during the exodus. Christ taught the Pharisees: "In the desert, God provided manna. This manna kept your ancestors alive; however, because of original sin, they eventually died.

Like the manna God provided, I came from Heaven, but I give eternal life" [John 6:32-33, & John 6:48-51; Psalm 78:23-33].

According to John, Christ's teaching on the bread of life was a pivotal point in His ministry. Because of Christ's words about eating and drinking His flesh and blood, many disciples "no longer walked with Him" [John 6:66]. They found His teachings too difficult. Yes, just as food is necessary for earthly life, Christ is necessary for eternal life.



We would like to send our prayers to the family and friends of...

Beverly Rybicki and Carole Merde

"So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy." John 16:22

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APRIL 2023 AT A GLANCE

ALTAR GUILD: Pam Dahle

<u>AA MEETING</u>: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: Sunday, April 16th following Worship. <u>MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</u>: Thursday, April 13th <u>MEN'S MINISTRY</u>: Sunday, March 2nd following Worship. <u>TUESDAY QUILTER'S</u>: April 18th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. USHER: John Overdahl

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

April 2nd (Palm Sunday) Carl T. April 6th Seder Supper April 7th (Good Friday) Craig A. April 9th (Easter) Dale T.

April 16th Bruce M April 23rd Tara T. April 30th Carl T.



MAY 2023 AT A GLANCE

ALTAR GUILD: Dianne Erickson

<u>AA MEETING</u>: Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church basement.

<u>COUNCIL MEETING</u>: Sunday, May 21st following Worship <u>JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</u>: Thursday, May 11th <u>MEN'S MINISTRY</u>: Sunday, May 7th following Worship. TUESDAY QUILTER'S: Tuesday, May 16th from 9:00 AM to

3:00 PM.

USHER: Bill & Christy Hahn

PROJECTOR OPERATORS:

May 7th Kevin D. (Confirmation)[.] May 14th Craig A. May 21st Dale T. May 28th Bruce M



1st Olivia Van Epern 2nd Nick Shaw 4th Tammy Louison, Courtney Wyman 6th Karie Overdahl 7th Audrey Wiza, 8th Verlyn Hanson, Nola Mae Vater 10th Catelin Fischer, Jordis Stencel, Ken Pagel 11th Lorraine Dobbe 12th Tara Thompson, James Lashua 13th Melanie Rustad 15th Danielle Allred, Natalie Wyman 17th Judy Morey 18th Emily Voie 20th Gerald Holtz, Jessie Glodowski **22nd** Madison Hahn 25th Jenna Somers 27th Bobbie Jo Honick 29th Mitchell Amundson, Sandra Witkowski **30th** Todd Olson

If you have not seen your birthday listed in the newsletter please call or email the church office at (715) 445-2956 or email.

Northland Church Council Meeting February 19, 2023

Members present Craig Anderson, Bill Hahn, Pam Dahle, Marilyn Mitchell, Richard Kirchhoff, Shelly Erickson, Dianne Erickson

Craig called meeting to order.

Bill opened with prayer.

Secretaries report read with a change in contact persons for hunting land. Craig Anderson <u>anders03@wi-net.com</u> 715-677-7114 or Bill Hahn <u>wsahn@tds.net</u> 715-445-5253. Accepted as read.

Treasure report read and accepted as read. Checking balance 2/28 \$20,739.4 Memorial Fund balance 2/28 \$62,724.07. Cash Flow for Feb. negative -\$1,566.12

There will be a donation coming from the Arlene M. Bucholtz Estate. All of us can help church with a donation in our wills or estate plan.

There was a discussion on a 3rd 1,000.00 propane tank, so we could fuel up when price is lower. A tank was found on an auction coming up. A motion was made to pay up to \$3,000.00 by Bill 2nd by Pam motion carried.

Asphalt resurfacing Looking for bids.

Front door looking for bids for new door.

A discussion on electric meter that was taken off by ice. Kevin Dahle will be asked to make a steel covering.

Spring cleaning day will be Saturday May 20.

Pork Extravaganza will be June 17, 2023.

Motion to adjourn by Richard 2nd by Marilyn Motion carried.

Closed with Lord Prayer

These minutes have not been approved. Dianne Erickson Secretary

EVERYONE IS WELCOMED!!

Come and join us in our last day of Sunday School on April 30th. Sunday School is at 9:00 Worship is at 10:00 Following Worship there will be a fellowship meal. Plus, a special surprise guest!!!



HUNTING LAND RENTAL

Church Council is accepting closed bids for leasing hunting land from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024. The current lease is \$1,200.00. Bids are open to all congregation members, family, and friends. Please submit closed bids to Bill Hahn or Craig Anderson by May 31st.

Learn About Christ's Sacrifice at our Traditional Passover Seder

Menu

Leg of Lamb Root Veggies Greens, Water, Wine, Grape Juice

For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. 1 Cor. 5:7

Free Will Offering

Please RSVP by March 29. Leave a message at 715-445-2956 or email northlandchurch@hotmail.com

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April 2023 Messenger

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April 6, 2023 6:00 PM