



Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

We have a guest writer today...you won't want to miss this!

Dear BDM Parish,

I was watching you this last month as you prepared a meal and entertainment for the communities of Belfield, Daglum, and Medora. I watched community members connect in conversation and ways that they would not have otherwise. I watched young children being fed without having to pay for their meal. I watched people struggle to get down the stairs, in order to enjoy a meal in fellowship and community. I saw that young couple who was new to the area, making connections and building relationships. I watched a young man dance with some young girls, and then turn to invite someone else to dance. What that young man didn't know is that the woman he asked to dance had not had a dance partner for a long time.

That's when I showed up.

My job is to gather you together in community. My job is to call you into a relationship with one another. My job is to remind you of who you are as children of God in the communion of saints, forgiven and loved. Whether you think the events you work so hard to do make any difference at all, or not, you can be sure that I am there. When you don't need any more to do but you do it because you know how much I love you (not in order for me to love you). My job is to remind you daily that you are forgiven. and I love you. If I do my job right, you will know who Jesus is. You will know that I AM. God's grace invites you to be gracious to others, and God's extravagant forgiveness invites you to forgive others, AND God's abundant generosity invites you to be generous with others.

None of these things are required of you and I see your forgiveness, your hospitality, and your generosity. I hope that when you gather together in these spaces and you wonder whether or not it's worth it, you see me. I am there. Relationships are being built and restored. What relationship is important to you today? How can you be sure the people in relationship with you also know that I am there? Do you



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Welca Fall Supper
- LYO
- Faith Conversations
- Thrivent Webinars
- Fundraisers
- ELCA Youth Gathering

Sunday School is held each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. at Belfield Lutheran Church



know that I love them too? Who are you missing or forgetting about? Don't forget that I love that person also. I thank you for building relationships. I want to be with you wherever you go and whatever you do, but most of all I want you to know that I love you.

Abounding in
Steadfast Love,

The Holy Spirit



Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's spirit dwells in your midst? 1 Corinthians 3:16



Confirmation

October 29th, 2023

BELFIELD LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

**FALL
SUPPER**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 FROM 4:30-7 PM

SERVING: HAM, SWEDISH MEATBALLS,
SCANDINAVIAN DESSERTS & MORE!

FREE WILL OFFERING

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH CENTER
3RD AVENUE NE, BELFIELD ND

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship 1 8:30 am – Medora 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am – Daglum 4:30 - 7:00 pm – Belfield WELCA Fall Dinner @ St B's Parish Center, Belfield	2	3	4	5	6	7
Worship 8 8:30 am – Medora 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	9	10	11	12	13	14
Worship 15 8:30 am – Medora 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	16	17	18	19	20	21
Worship 22 8:30 am – Medora 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Belfield 11:30 am – BDM Parish Board Meeting @ Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	23	24	25	26	27	28
Worship 29 8:30 am – Medora 9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	30	31	Pastor Dawn is on vacation October 5 – 10, 2023. Please watch the bulletin for emergency contact information.			



FAITH *Conversations*

Let's have conversations about Bible Stories and how we experience God in our lives.

Join us in person or online for "Faith Conversations"
The October class will be held the 4th Monday, October 23rd at
7:00 p.m. at Belfield Lutheran Church
Zoom is an available option—please
contact Pastor Dawn if you need to attend the class via zoom.

BLC Build Up Fund - \$68,261.33...only \$16,738.67 to our \$85,000 Goal!

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Ephesians 4:30*



"Living in Service to Christ"

ST. JOHN *Evangelical Lutheran Church*

Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to you with an exciting opportunity that we believe will greatly benefit your congregation and community.

On **Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 7:00 pm**, at **St. John Lutheran Church in Dickinson**, we will have the privilege of hosting Karin Gunderson, an International English teacher, author, musician, songwriter, and founder of Heavenly Harp. She will be delivering an unforgettable presentation titled "Lift the World: An Inspiring Experience of Love's Transformative Power." This enlightening and inspiring program aims to take us on an extraordinary journey to the Afghan heart and the refugee crisis.

Through captivating stories, soul-stirring songs, and meaningful conversations, Gunderson will delve into the lives of those she has taught, revealing unimaginable bravery and strength. Her narratives will highlight the resilience, faith, and strength of the Afghan people, providing us with a brand-new perspective on Afghans that is often overshadowed by news headlines.


One of the highlights of the program will be Gunderson's performance of uplifting songs accompanied by the enchanting sound of the harp. These melodies have the power to touch and uplift spirits. You and your congregation will find yourselves singing along, inspired by the universal language of love in music.

Gunderson strongly believes that true change starts with the individual and how we choose to value each person that exists. This program is not limited to any specific age group or background. Whether you are a parent, student, retiree, young adult, or a passionate advocate for change, "Lift the World" will leave you feeling motivated, enlightened, and ready to be a bright light in your everyday world.

I would like to extend a personal invitation to you, your congregation, and your community to join us for this unforgettable experience. Admission is free, and a free-will offering will be accepted to support this important work. Additionally, there will be books, CDs, DVDs, and heart-touching photos by an accompanying Afghan photojournalist available for purchase, further contributing to this cause.

Let us come together and create a world where every voice is heard, and every heart is uplifted. I truly believe that this program will not only touch the lives of those in attendance but also inspire us to make a difference in our own communities.

Thank you.



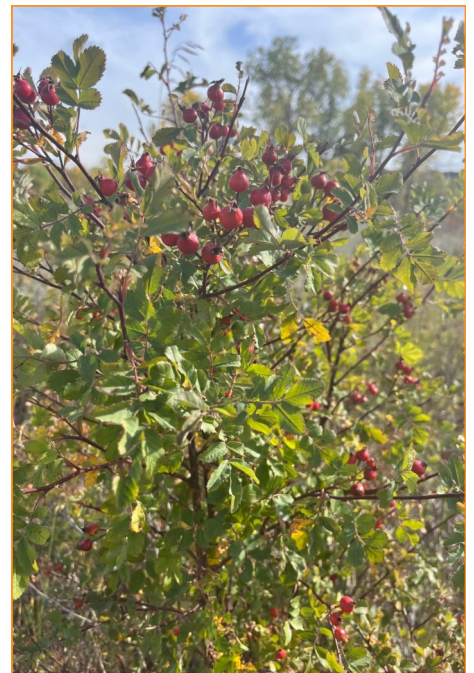
Kayla Kilwein

Worship & Music Director

2023 LYO Mandan, ND

**High School
October 19-20**

**Middle School
October 20-21**



*And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the spirit gave them utterance.
Acts 2:4*

In our ongoing prayers...

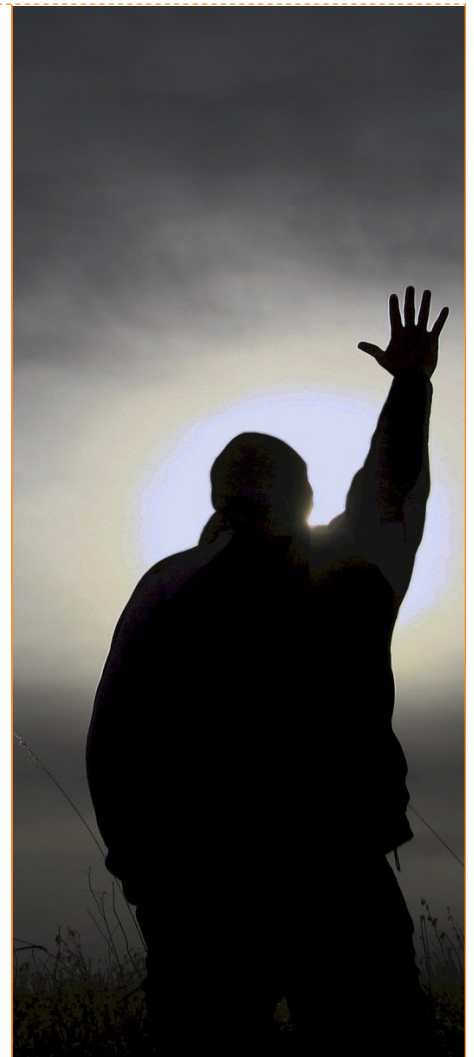
Remembering those in our prayers:

Remembering those in our prayers: The Family of Norma Newton, The Family of Sharon Hutton, The Family of Carmen Ruud, The Family of Margaret Braun, Delores Roy, Doc Zenker, Darrell Hanson, Todd Corneil, Cord Kessel, Larry Hanson, Cory Tuhy, Halle Blain, Glenda Buckman, Rosemary Walter, Kwirt Johnson, Mary Knotts, Pastor Beth Parks, Craig McLaughlin, Bernadette Obrigewitch, Maurice Obrigewitch, Becky Yadon, JoAnne Suomala, Johnny Syminow, Lincoln Lee Johnson, Lanie Nichols, Monica Hushka, Mark Trechock, Marilyn Oyhus, Mindy O'Brien, Chandler Nichols, Bennette Mansfield,

Please continue to pray for those who have lost their jobs, those with mental illness, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, all troops including PFC Cole Potter, and their families & those working for peace in our world.

Please help us keep this prayer list active.

To add a loved one to the prayer list for next month's issue, please fill out a prayer request slip during worship, making sure to indicate your desire to have the request published in the newsletter, and place it in the offering basket or email us at newsletter@belfieldlutheran.org



thrivent® FREE WEBINARS

Finding Hope, Humor, and Heart in Caregiving and touches upon caring for loved ones who can no longer care for themselves with real life stories and practical strategies that will help manage the emotional stress that may come with it. Available September 1st – November 30th. <https://bit.ly/caregivingvol2fas>

The Big Picture – 11 Laws That Will Change Your Life with Tony Horton. Tony, one of America’s best-loved and most-known fitness gurus, shares 11 rules that provide a clear path and purpose to achieving life goals and obtaining optimal health. Available September 1st – September 30th. <https://bit.ly/tonyhortonondemand>

Longevity Risk in Retirement: Steps to Retirement Security with Tom Hegna. Find out how to plan ahead for income you cannot outlive and care you may eventually need. Available Tuesday, September 26th at 10am and 6pm Mountain Time. <https://bit.ly/hegnalongevity>

Virtual, On-Demand Concert with Danny Gokey. Danny Gokey, former American Idol contestant shares his powerful testimony during an exclusive interview followed by an awe-inspiring session of worship and praise. Available September 1st – September 10th. https://bit.ly/DG_LIAM



HOLY LAND TRIP

with Belfield Lutheran Church

January 30 – February 11, 2025

\$3,495. *DOUBLE OCCUPANCY + Airfare + Insurance
(Total ~\$5,000)
Single Supplement Add \$570

*Passport is required
Valid for 6 months
beyond travel date.

Hosted by Pastor Dawn Busch and Paulette Dorval

Inclusions:

- 4 Star Accommodations
- Baggage Handling at Hotel
- 21 Included Meals
- All Tips for Meals, Hotels, Driver & Guide included
- R/T Air will be booked when available



Information:

- Deposit is transferrable
- Airfare (and insurance?) is transferrable
- All Western North Dakota Synod congregations are invited to join us

Important Dates:

- \$750 deposit due to secure your spot by 12/31/23
- Judy's Tours will open this trip to general public 1/30/24
- Airfare and insurance funds are due March 2024

Contact Pastor Dawn Busch for details: pastordawn@ndsupernet.com

Bethlehem

Sea of Galilee

Nazareth

Jerusalem

Jordan

Hotel List:
Leonardo Plaza – Netanya
Maagan - Tiberias
Ambassador – Jerusalem
Petra Old Village – Petra
Dead Sea Spa Hotel – Dead Sea

For Reservations Contact:

JUDY'S LEISURE TOURS
4906 16 STREET N
Fargo, ND 58102

701/232-3441 or



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2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING
New Orleans JULY 16-20, 2024

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

<p>MYLE</p> <p>Multicultural Youth Leadership Event of the ELCA JULY 13-16, 2024</p>	<p>the tAble</p> <p>An ELCA Gathering of Youth with Disabilities JULY 13-16, 2024</p>	<p>Young Adult Gathering</p> <p>A new ELCA Gathering for Young Adults JULY 16-20, 2024</p>
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fb.com/youthgathering @elcagathering elca.org/gathering

BMD Parish
Women's Retreat
Saturday, November 11th, 2023
Belfield Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
Contact: Jean Franklin
Please watch for more news to come!

GOD IS ALWAYS ESTABLISHING GOOD THINGS, EVEN IF THEY LOOK DIFFERENT THAN WE THOUGHT.

**BELFIELD
MEDORA
DAGLUM
PARISH**

PIG ROAST

Community Event



Thank you to all who took part in the Pig Roast Community Event - the planning committee, workers, vendors, musicians & all those who attended. Special thank you to First State Bank of Medora for donating the pig & Don Fulton for roasting the pig and Sharlene Schuhrke for making the beans. We couldn't have done it without you! Shout out to our generous sponsors for the cornhole prizes - Little Missouri Chiropractic, Revitalize PT, Thrivent Financial, Badlands Dental, & Dave Kuntz. Lastly, congratulations to our cornhole winners!



Baptism

Clyde Joseph Ridl & OakLynn Ray Ridl



We rejoice with Tayler and Kiah Ridl as their children Clyde and OakLynn were baptized September 3, 2023.

Clyde Joseph Ridl was born 2/24/2021 in Dickinson. Clyde's baptismal sponsors are Jesse James Bjerken and Chassey Volesky.

OakLynn Ray Ridl was born 7/7/2023 in Dickinson. OakLynn's baptismal sponsors are Alan Ridl and Hope Ridl.

We welcome you into the Lord's family, Clyde and OakLynn!

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him. Psalm 28:7



Belfield—Medora—Daglum Parish Fundraiser for Parsonage Windows

Click here to donate: Belfieldluthern.org or
medorlutheranchurch.org Thank You!

Parsonage Windows

\$10,554.73 has been raised so far!

The parsonage is in need of new windows on the main floor. The current windows are original to the house and frost up in the winter.

10 windows are needed at an average cost of \$2000 per window for a total of \$20,000 for all of them.

If you would like to donate to this project, please do one of the following:

-Leave in the offering plate – indicate for the parsonage

-Click Support at belfieldluthern.org or medoralutheranchurch.org

-Mail to BDM Lutheran Parish, PO Box 416, Belfield ND 58622



*Thank
You*

Medora Lutheran Church Landscaping Project 2023

What a difference some landscaping makes! New rock borders, sprinklers have been installed and grass seed has been planted to make our property more inviting.

You can make a difference with a small donation to Medora Lutheran Church today at <https://www.medoralutheranchurch.org/> and click on Support!

These improvements make our space more welcoming to the entire community. Thank you for your love and support!

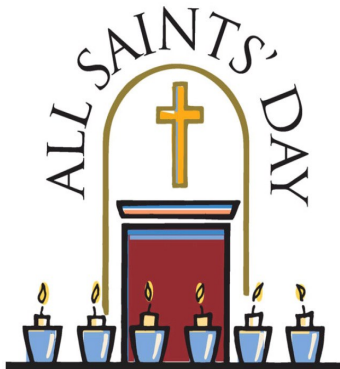


*He Gives Strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.
Ephesians 6:10*

All Saints' Day

will be
November 5th,
2023

If you have a loved one you would like Honored during Worship, please let Pastor Dawn know.



Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild

Thank you to Carmen Waldo and Sue Willet

For Serving in September

Serving in October

Shelly Dukart and Barb Newton

Anyone Can Join the Altar Guild!

See Jean Franklin for details.

Join Us! 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
Belfield Lutheran Church



Sunday School kids with their Plush Animals!

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October 2023

TO:

October 2023 Worship Schedule

1	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship Daglum Worship
8	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship
15	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship Daglum Worship
22	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship
29	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship

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