



Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

Hello Church!

Can you believe I've been with you over a year!? It feels like just yesterday I joined you, and I am still learning new things about you and the communities in which we live. I wrote last year at this time:

There are many different things on my 'to-do' list, and it has been difficult to prioritize what is most important, recognizing that my time with God needs to be at the top of the list. As I get started on one thing, something else comes up and I get easily distracted. Does that ever happen to you? Do you see the shiny penny or the squirrel and completely lose track of what direction you were going?

As we enter into the "Bread of Life" readings of John's Gospel these few weeks, I am reminded of baking bread. Jesus states, "I AM the bread of life." Jesus provides the very nourishment that we need for our souls. Jesus is enough.

A few of the things I would like to accomplish include:

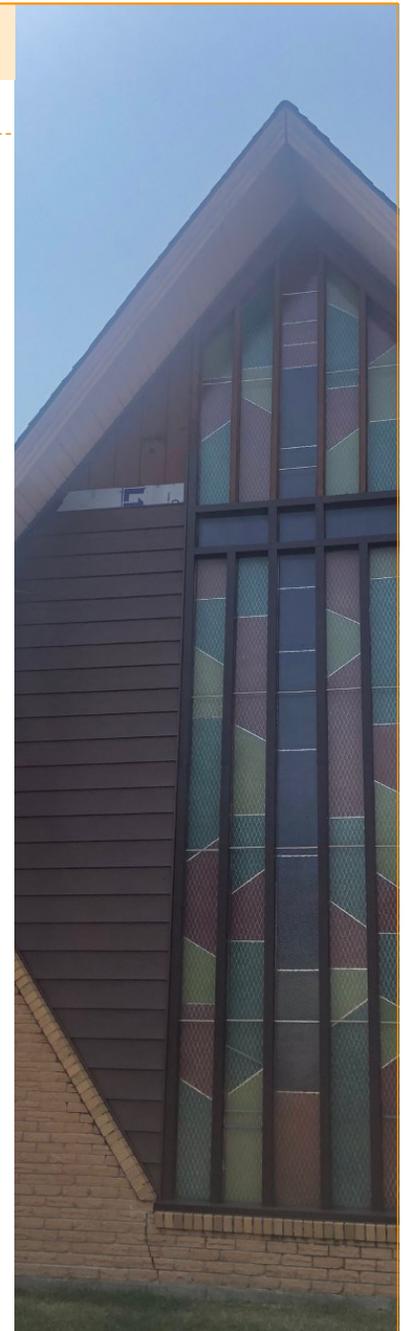
- Meeting more people and continuing to build relationships
- Gathering young people to prepare for a national youth conference
- Updating constitutions
- Building a new parish directory
- Reviewing and revising mission statements
- Connecting with community resources to provide assistance with our neighbors
- Involving more of you in worship
- Updating websites

Do any of these things strike you as places you have skills to contribute?

I'd love a phone call (701-575-4703) or an email (pastordawn@ndsupernet.com), or just stop by if you're in the neighborhood. I have continued to be in the parish office Monday and Tuesday afternoons, and in Medora on Thursday afternoons. I already know there will be a couple exceptions, but with a call, text, or email, I'm happy to set up a time to connect with you.

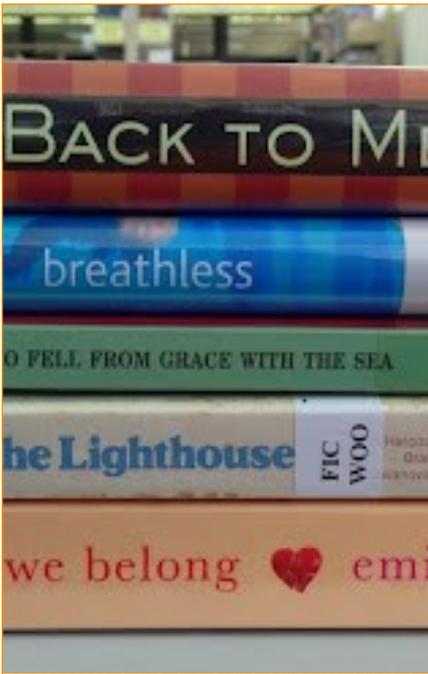
I know that Jesus is enough. Jesus provides everything we need, and Jesus does this by revealing God to us. How have you been Christ for your neighbors this year? This month? This week? I am excited to see how God's mission is accomplished, no matter what is distracting us in our homes, in our neighborhoods, and in our world.

+ *Pastor Dawn Busch*



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Pavilion Supper—Parish
- Youth Events
- Vow Renewal
- Baptisms
- Women's Retreat



Backpack Blessing Sunday



Bring your backpacks to church!

Whether you are going back to school in person or online; whether you are a teacher, administrator, or student, please bring your backpacks and bags for a blessing in this new school year.

Sunday, August 22nd, 2021

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2: 8-9



**Please join us in congratulating
Doris and Elroy Urban as they
celebrated their 50th anniversary and
renewed their vows. 5/28/71—5/28/21**



Badlands Ministries announces our Fearless Faith Retreat. Our esteemed keynote speaker, Melanie A. Brown, founder of Women Ignited by Faith, is an inspirational author and leadership coach from Sioux Falls, SD.



Each session is \$40.00 per person, until July 27 when the price is \$55.00 per person. Refreshments will be served.

The other option is our 'full retreat experience', which includes four meals, sleeping overnight in our accommodations, admission to both sessions, plus an exclusive Friday night session, all for a cost of \$200.00 per person, until July 27 when the price becomes \$225.00.

Seating is limited. Register today. Call for more information, 701.623.4332.



Fearless Faith Retreat

August 13-14, 2021

Medora, ND

BADLANDS MINISTRIES
Dining Hall

Featuring Dynamic Speaker
Melanie A. Brown

Aug. 13 ~ \$40

Fearless Faith Friday: 1-4:30 pm

Aug. 14 ~ \$40

Soul Sisters Saturday: 9 am -noon

Full Retreat ~ \$200

Refreshments
Served

Call 701-290-8482 for more details

Register today: www.badlandsministries.org

LYO

(Lutheran Youth Organization)

Synod Youth Gathering of WND

Save the Date for

LYO this Fall!

October 21-23

Bismarck

Please consider joining us for this great event and encourage your youth to be a part of it!

Please contact the LYO Gathering

Coordinator

Ashley Greenwood

ashley@goodshepherdbismarck.com

with any Questions.

West NoDak ELCA Synod & Friends

GSLC Summer High School Medora Trip

Available for Youth
Finishing Grades 8-12

Hiking. Bonfires. Games. Service Work.
Fun. Bible Studies. High Ropes.

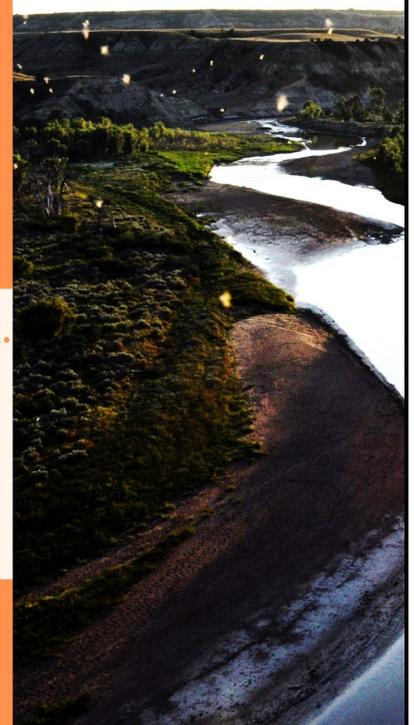
Join Us! Experience God's Call & see
how God is working through you!

Join us @ Medora Badlands Ministries

\$150/person through June.

Adult Leaders Needed

Medora Badlands
August 5-8



Celebrating the simple depths of

baptism



We rejoice with Adam and Suz Karpyak as their son Nash was baptized in Medora on June 6, 2021. Nash Dale Karpyak was born 11/5/2020 in Bismarck, and joins sister Eden and brother Jameson. Nash's baptismal sponsors are Allison and Seth Combs. We welcome you into the Lord's family, Nash.



We rejoice with Tim and Savanna Urban as their son Preston was baptized in Belfield on May 30th. Preston Lucas Urban was born 9/20/2020 in Dickinson, and joins sister Aurora and brother Michael. Preston's baptismal sponsors are Carla Cook, Jacob Vogel, Kylie Ellis, and Talon Schutt. We welcome you into the Lord's family, Preston.



COME AND SEE
 The new siding and windows are almost 100% installed at the Belfield Lutheran Church



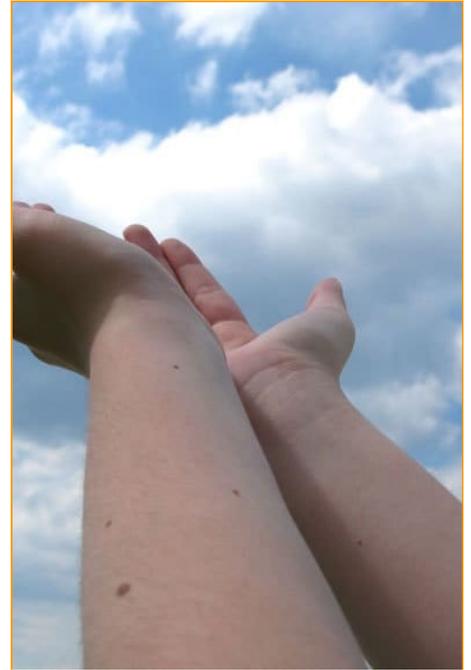
Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild

**Our thanks to Sharon Braun & Bobbi Tessier
or serving in June**

**Our thanks to Julie Newton & Linda Weiss
for serving in July**

Service in August, Jean Franklin and Jenna Beck

Join the Altar Guild! See Jean Franklin for details.



*Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.
1 Peter 4:8*

In our ongoing prayers...

The family of John Wagner · The family of Rory Johnson
The family of Carolyn Erickson · Carmen Ruud · Mark Trechok
The family of David Warner · The family of Steve Hartman
Donald Froehlich · Josh Kukowski · Page Myers · Monica Hushka
Doug Schwartz · Carl Hastings · Becky Yadon · Barbura Hurt
Carol Johnson · Daryl Potter · Chandler Nichols · Kim Duenow
Sharleen Stigen · Marilyn Oyhus · The family of Noel Nichols
Bennette Mansfield · Matthew Elefson · Mindy O'Brien and family
Janeen Nichols · Rose Marie Andreas
All those with Covid 19 illness and exposure

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



Build Up BLC Fundraiser!

The BLC Property Committee and the BLC Council would like to extend a huge thank you to all that have donated to our 2021 Build Up BLC Fundraiser so far! We have raised \$36,400! Thank you for your continued support!

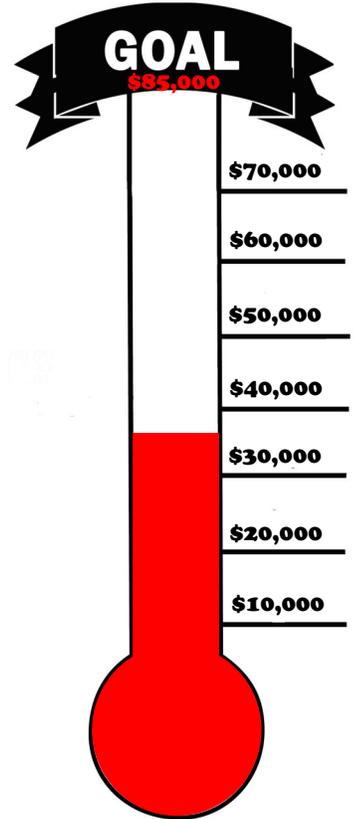
The new windows are in and the siding is almost completely installed. Please stop by and take a look! The new boiler has also been installed.

If you have not donated and feel you can, please fill out the portion below and mail to Belfield Lutheran Church C/O Building UP BLC Fundraiser, PO Box 416, Belfield, ND 58622. You can also choose to donate online at <https://www.belfieldlutheran.org/give-online>.

Please reference the Building UP BLC Fundraiser when donating. Please help us reach our fundraising goal of \$85,000! If you have already signed up to give a monthly donation, please remember to mail the donation to Belfield.



Thank you



Please accept my donation to the Building UP BLC Fundraiser

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Every _____

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AUGUST 2021

A MESSAGE FROM SHERIE HEINE

Associate to the Bishop for Congregational Life & Director for Evangelical Mission

Relationship.

Relationship.

Relationship.

Relationship with God.

Relationship with each other.

Relationship with our neighbors.

This is who we are...

This is who we are called to be...

As communities of faith, all our work is about and informed by relationship.

Faithful, faith-filled relationships are rooted in prayer and scripture. Through these, we connect with God and explore who we are as a beloved child of God. Likewise, these relationships grow when we are engaged in community. In community, where we are called to dwell, relationships are nurtured and deepened. Within community, we are called to ask difficult questions and listen deeply to varied responses. We grow. We adapt. We wonder. We respond. This is who we are as community. This is who we are as church.

As church – congregation, synod, and churchwide – we have an incredible opportunity before us. We have the gift of living in a time of rapid (maybe seemingly constant) and expected or anticipated change. Yet, we also do have the opportunity to pause and ask ourselves, “How might we...?” or “Why?” Perhaps now is the time to step boldly into some holy experiments and holy learnings?

How might we lean into uncovering what God is up to now in our communities? How might we live into God’s preferred future for each and all of us? How might we embody Christ in our changing world? (And by “us” I mean as individuals, congregations, synods, and Church.)

As your Director for Evangelical Mission and Associate to the Bishop for Congregational Life, I would welcome the opportunity to walk with you and your congregation through a season of listening, discerning, naming, and discovering your congregation’s values and mission priorities. It would be a gift to dream big, holy dreams and wonder with you how as God’s beloved children, you might be the hands, the feet, the voice, and face of Christ right where you are!

So.... Are you – is your community of faith – ready to: Engage in a holy experiment? Experience a faithful failure? Explore some loving learning? Together, let’s commit to taking one ridiculously small step and see what happens!

Relationship. Relationship. Relationship. All our work is about relationship.

In Christ,

Sherie

Associate to the Bishop for Congregational Life

Director for Evangelical Mission

sherie@wndsynod.org



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God’s work. Our hands.

Belfield, Medora, Daglum Lutheran Ladies Retreat

Friday - Sunday
September 24 - 26, 2021

at
Badland's Ministries Retreat Center in Medora

Enjoy
A Bible Study, Music, Art, Nature,
Good Food, Fellowship

Cost will be \$100
This amount is nonrefundable
We will need at least 14 to register to make it
financially feasible.

To register, give a check or cash for the full
amount to:

Jean Franklin or Nita Northrop

You can also mail the amount, your
cell number, and address to:

Nita Northrop
Box 32
Belfield, ND 59622

Payment in full is due by:
Sunday, September 12, 2021

It will be a fun and meaningful weekend!
Hope to see you there!

Sponsored by Belfield's WELCA



SAVE THE DATE

11.14.2021

FOR THE
18TH ANNUAL
PARISH
EXTRAVAGANZA

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Wednesday Night **Pavilion Meal**

served by

BDM Lutheran Parish

Belfield, Daglum & Medora Lutheran Churches

Downtown Belfield

August 18, 2021

Join us

Serving 5:30pm – 7:00pm

For more information or to let us know you can
help please contact
Deb Hutzenbeler 701-590-0617

August

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	2	3 8:00 pm – AA meets @ Belfield Lutheran	4 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield	5 7:00 pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran Western ND Synod LYO @ Badlands Ministries	6 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran Western ND Synod LYO @ Badlands Ministries	7 Western ND Synod LYO @ Badlands Ministries
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August 2021

TO:



**August 2021
Worship Schedule**

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8	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship
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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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