



Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

I have asked the question several times this summer, "Where have you seen God?" Here are some of the many places I encountered the presence of God in various ways!

- June began with a trip to Minot and good work at our synod assembly. God's presence was made known in the many people who served us meals, who supported our gathering in prayer and creating a space of hospitality, and in the working of technology. (Who would have guessed that God cares about technology!?)
- Have you ever seen the badlands so green? With our spring snow and the more abundant than recently usual rain, we see new life in creation! God is present in the rain, the sun, the rainbows, and the new livestock. But that means God must also be present in the difficulty of calving during a blizzard and in the loss of time to plant.
- God is present in YOU! I saw God in the smiling faces of the children who attended Vacation Bible School and created artwork with chalk to decorate our sidewalks. I heard God's voice in the voices of those singing praises of love and joy with one another. That must mean God is also present in the tears and the struggles.
- God has definitely been present in the tears and struggles of those who have lost loved ones in these recent months. God is also present with those who remain with us as we laugh and cry and tell the stories of the ways in which our loved ones reflected God's love to us.
- As I traveled to Montana with our high school youth, we saw God's presence unmistakably in the beauty of creation.. Including the trees! And, we saw God's presence in our leaders and in one another. When someone needed help, there was help. When someone needed food, there was food. When someone needed to share thoughts or questions, there was someone to listen.

We might think that it is important to prepare our own hearts for God's presence, and it is important! But I have been reminded that God shows up in ways we least expect. I pray that you continue to look for God's presence in your life, and maybe when it seems like God is missing, something unexpected will happen and you will know God is with you and you are loved!

+ *Pastor Dawn Busch*



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Camp Christikon
- Belfield Blood Drive
- Backpack Blessing
- VBS
- Save the Date

BDM Pavilion Supper

Women's Retreat

Welca Fall Supper



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 28th, 2022

Cast all of your anxiety on him because he cares for you. 1 Peter 5:7



In Loving Memory



Our continued prayers to the family of Allan "Ted" Thompson

Ted's Funeral was held at Belfield Lutheran Church on Tuesday, June 21st, 2022. Interment was held at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Mandan that afternoon. Rest eternal grant him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.

Our continued prayers to the family of Sharleen Stigen

Sharleen's Funeral Service was held on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at Belfield Lutheran Church. Interment took place at the Belfield Lutheran Cemetery. Rest eternal, grant her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.



Our continued prayers to the family of Betty Cornell

Betty (Johnson) Cornell passed peacefully from this life on July 20, 2022 at the age of 98 at St Luke's Care Center, Dickinson, ND. A celebration of life was held Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at Stevenson Funeral Home. Rest eternal, grant her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.

This season at BDM Parish is a time of Opportunity - You are needed!

Have you ever walked into an event and even though you have seen some of the people before, no one said hello, smiled, or asked about you? Was that uncomfortable?

We want everyone who walks in the doors of our worship spaces to feel welcomed and wanted. Will you help this happen by being a Greeter, Usher, or Worship assistant?

The training is simple – “be present”.

We can even create a task just for you.

Contact the Parish Office at 701-575-4703 or email: pastordawn@ndsupernet.com
Blessings and peace today,
Pastor Dawn Busch



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Belfield Blood Drive
Belfield Lutheran Church & Vitalant

Vitalant has asked BLC to host a blood drive on
Tuesday, August 18, 2022

from 1:30-5:30pm,
but we need your help!

Can you help welcome people and get them signed
in or make phone calls to encourage
people to register?

Please contact

Pastor Dawn for details

at pastordawn@ndsupernet.com or call/text
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Belfield Community Blood Drive

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Blood has a life of 42 days
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250 donations are needed EVERYDAY
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Because of you life doesn't stop...

Tuesday, Aug. 16
1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Location: Belfield Lutheran Church
506 2nd Avenue NE



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can be realized in
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lifetime.”

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August

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran	3	4 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran	5 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran	6
Worship 7 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 pm – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	8	9 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran	10	11 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran	12 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran	13
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Worship 21 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 pm – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	22 7:00 pm – Faith Foundations Study @ Belfield Lutheran	23 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran	24 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm – Parish Pavilion Supper @ Belfield Pavilion	25 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran	26 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran	27
Worship 28 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	29	30 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran	31			

Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild

***Our thanks to Bobbi Tessier and Sharon Braun
for Serving in June***

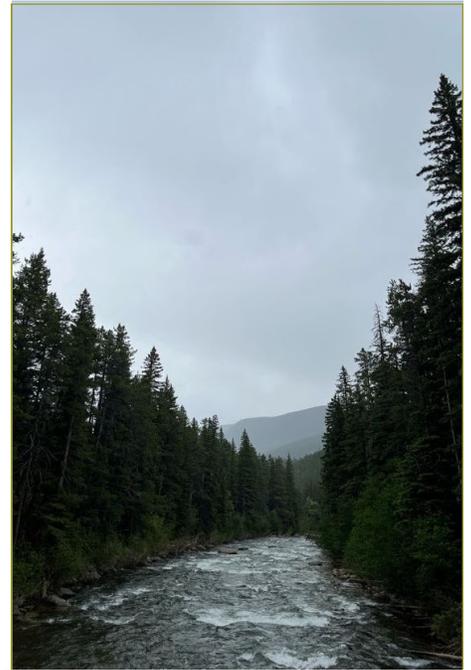
***Thank you to Jean Franklin and Linda Weiss
For Serving in July***

Serving in August

Jenna Beck and Julie Newton

Anyone Can Join the Altar Guild!

See Jean Franklin for details.



*Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.
Matthew 22:37*

In our ongoing prayers...

The family of Betty Cornell • The family of Alice Rogina
The family of Vernell Wagner • Shuhrke Family • Claire Ridl
The family of Sharleen Stigen • The family of Allan “Ted” Thompson
Doris Urban • Bryce Wigert • Norma Newton • Lanie Nichols
Margaret Braun • Rene Praus • Johnny Syinow • Mark Hinrichs
Nicole Koegl • Lincoln Lee Johnson • RoseMarie Andreas
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Bennette Mansfield • Marilyn Oyhus • Mindy O’Brien
Chandler Nichols • Duane Davis • Madella Brinkman • Carmen Ruud
Page Myers • Becky Yadon • Carol Johnson

Those who have lost their jobs, those with mental illness, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, those with Covid 19 illness and exposure, all troops & 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





*Thank you to all for the support of the Belfield Lutheran
WELCA Pavilion Supper held in July.*



**THANK YOU TO ALL FOR THE SUPPORT
OF THE MEDORA LUTHERAN BBQ
HELD IN JUNE!**



*If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without
finding fault, and it will be given to you. James 1:5*



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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Thank you to Badlands Ministries and the volunteers
that helped at Vacation Bible School this year!



Gospel Seeds

WESTERN NORTH DAKOTA SYNOD

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AUGUST 2022

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

This Month's Gospel Seeds Source: <https://www.elca.org/News-and-Events/8163>

2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly meets under the theme “Embody the Word”

Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) will gather for the 2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly Aug. 8-12 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. Meeting under the theme “Embody the Word,” the assembly will participate in plenary discussions to make decisions about the work of this church. They will also spend time in worship and Bible study.

The triennial gathering — the highest legislative body of the denomination — will be composed of more than 900 voting members serving on behalf of the 3.3 million members of the ELCA. The ELCA's 65 synods elect voting members to serve at churchwide assemblies.

ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth A. Eaton will open the assembly on Tuesday, Aug. 9, with a land acknowledgment noting that the gathering is taking place on the original and ancestral homelands of the Shawnee, Miami and Kaskaskia peoples. Tribal leaders from the Miami Nation will bring welcome to the assembly.

The assembly will then commemorate the 35th anniversary of the ELCA, which was formed when the ELCA constitution was adopted during the opening session of the Constituting Convention in Columbus on April 30, 1987. The church was formed from a merger of the American Lutheran Church, the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches, and the Lutheran Church in America.

The day will include a no legislative session to offer a public apology to Iglesia Luterana Santa María Peregrina and a public commitment to anti-racism. This is in response to recent events in this church that have caused harm to people, communities, and the whole body of Christ.

In other key assembly action, voting members will:

- Elect a vice president. The position of vice president is the highest a layperson can hold in the ELCA. Carlos Peña is serving as interim vice president following the death of Bill Horne last August. Horne was elected vice president by the 2016 Churchwide Assembly.
- Approve budget proposals for the 2023, 2024 and 2025 fiscal years.
- Vote on amendments to the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions of the ELCA.

Voting members will also receive:

- A report from the presiding bishop and officers of the ELCA.
- The first public in-person announcement of “A Declaration of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to American Indian and Alaska Native People” and an update on the work of the Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery Task Force. The declaration is a direct result of the social policy resolution adopted by the 2016 Churchwide Assembly.
- A presentation by Fawn Sharp, president of the National Congress of American Indians.
- Proposals (known as memorials) from the ELCA's 65 synods that address social justice issues and matters relating to the structure of the ELCA, including greenhouse gas reduction; gun violence; LGBTQIA+ welcome; pastoral counseling as a result of changes to Roe v. Wade; the land back movement; ELCA governance restructure; specialized ministries and on leave from call status; and review and revision of the ELCA social statement Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust, adopted by the 2009 Churchwide Assembly.
- Greetings from ecumenical and inter-religious guests, global partners and others.
- Live video of the assembly will be accessible at [elca.org/CWA-2022](https://www.elca.org/CWA-2022).



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Faith Foundations



Have you ever wondered why we do some of the things we do in worship? Or why we teach the command to “love one another”?

Join us in person or online for

“Faith Foundations”

Class in August will be held the 4th Monday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. at Belfield Lutheran Church

May will continue our focus on prayer!

Please join us!



SAVE THE DATES

BDM PAVILION SUPPER

8/24/2022

WOMEN’S RETREAT

9/23/22–9/25/22

WELCA FALL SUPPER

10/16/2022

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The Answer to Riddle: Who Am I?

[[Back to the Riddle](#)]

The answer is one word. There are five letters in the word.

Whale

and appears only four times in the Bible.

Genesis 1:21

Ezekiel 32:2

Job 7:12

Matthew 12:40

Adam, God made out of dust, but thought it was best to make me first. So I was made before man to answer God's most holy plan. A living being I became and Adam gave me my name. From his presence I then withdrew and more of Adam I never knew. I did my maker's law obey, not ever went from it astray. Thousands of miles I go in fear, but seldom on the earth appear.

Whales are in the ocean

For purpose wise which God did see, he put a living soul in me.

Jonah

A soul from me God did claim and took from me the soul again. So when from me the soul had fled, I was the same as when first made.

Jonah was freed from the whale

And without hands or feet or soul, I travel on from pole to pole.

Whales are long-distance travelers

I labor hours by day, by night to follow man to give him light. Thousands of people, young and old, will by my death great light behold.

Whale oil burns very nicely in many lamps. But the whale must be killed to get the oil.

No right or wrong can I conceive, the scriptures I cannot believe. Although my name therein is found, they are to me an empty sound. No fear of death doth trouble me, real happiness I'll never see. To Heaven I shall never go, or to Hell below.

Remember this lady wrote this in 1890. Who knows what version of the Bible she had and she most likely was not LDS.

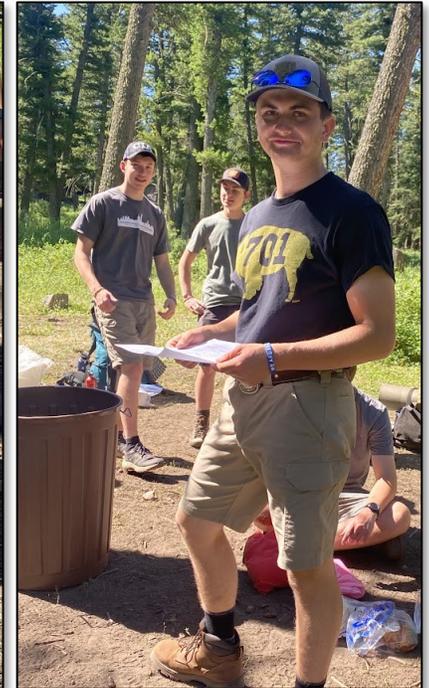
Now when these lines you slowly read, so search your Bible with all speed for that my name is there, I do honestly to you declare.

See above.

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Youth Trip to Camp Christikon!



Youth Trip to Camp Christikon, Montana

July 18th-July 23rd, 2022

Dawsyn Malkowski, Tate Janda and Maci Wanner traveled to Montana with Pastor Dawn to attend Camp Christikon.

It was a week filled with fun, faith, new friends, hiking and an overnight campout, all in the presence of God's beautiful creation.

Please encourage them to tell you about their experience!

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**August 2022
Worship Schedule**

7	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
14	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
21	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
28	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship

