

# Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

## From the Pastor

### *Rested and Ready to Go*

How many of you are wondering where the summer went? I am thankful for so many things this summer. A baptism, a wedding, a full week of Vacation Bible School, and a youth mission weekend, in addition to the day-to-day visits, studies, and other duties as assigned. :) I was thankful to enjoy a week of continuing education at a National Rostered Leaders' gathering, even though it was in Phoenix in July (yesss.. Over 115 degrees each day, but we had plenty of air conditioning!). That week was followed by a week of vacation in which I spent some time at a family reunion and then some quiet time at a lake cabin in Montana. I hope many of you were able to find some time to rest this summer.

We often think of rest as simply doing nothing. Sometimes our rest looks busy (visiting a friend or making repairs at the lake cabin), but it's a different kind of work than usual. This still allows our bodies to rest from regular routine. Other times rest looks quiet with time to reflect on who God is and who God calls us to be.

What is the purpose of a sabbath? We are commanded to remember a Sabbath day by keeping it holy. And when we remember a sabbath day by doing no work, we cannot expect our neighbors to do work on our behalf.

**Exodus 20:8** "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. **9** Six days you shall labor and do all your work, **10** but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. **11** For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Welca Fall Supper
- LYO
- Confirmation Classes Start
- Sunday School Starts!
- Pig Roast Community Event

**Sunday School Starts Sunday, September 10th at 9:00 a.m. at Belfield Lutheran Church**



What does this mean? Martin Luther states, "We are to fear and love God, so that we do not despise preaching or God's word, but instead keep that word holy and gladly hear and learn it." Whatever we do on our sabbath and however we look at our sabbath rest, we are commanded to focus on God's word. The word of God is living and active (Hebrews 4:12) and the word is made flesh in Christ Jesus (John 1:14).

However well rested I felt returning from vacation, I need to continue to focus on Jesus daily, with one day set apart for that kind of rest. How might you focus on Jesus your next Sabbath?

+ *Pastor Dawn Busch*

*So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!. 2 Corinthians 5:17*



# Sunday School



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

**9 am** - Sunday School  
**10 am** - Church with Backpack blessing  
\*Bring your backpack to church\*  
**11 am** - Fellowship

Belfield-Daglum-Medera Lutheran  
Church Sunday School

Join us for a Sunday School  
kick off  
**Scavenger Hunt**

Belfield Lutheran Church

Pre K(age 4) - 6th grade are Welcome!

**9:00 a.m. Sunday School · 10:00 a.m. Worship**  
**Belfield Lutheran Church**

## BDM Confirmation

2023-2024

**Classes will be starting soon!**

All 7th-9th graders are welcome!

Confirmation classes will be meeting

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

beginning September 13th

Please contact Pastor Dawn if you need to register. Church Office: 701-575-4703

## CATCH, a new North Dakota nonprofit

hopes to encourage our families and churches to be participants in the Welcome Corps. If you would like more information, you can find it on the Welcome Corp website of <https://welcomecorps.org/>.

Also, feel free to contact CATCH's executive director (and your neighbor) Dave Jenkins at 701-805-5120 or email at [mzeedavejenkins@gmail.com](mailto:mzeedavejenkins@gmail.com)

## *Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild*

Thank you to Jenna Beck and Julie Newton  
For Serving in August

Serving in September

Carmen Waldo and Sue Willet

Anyone Can Join the Altar Guild!

See Jean Franklin for details.

## *Have you ever thought about traveling to the Holy Land?*

Join us for an informational meeting after worship in Belfield on

Sunday, September 10th.

Contact Pastor Dawn or Paulette Dorval for questions or additional details.



**CHOIR WILL START ON WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 6 AT 7PM. NEW MEMBERS  
ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! PLEASE TALK  
TO JEAN FRANKLIN IF YOU ARE  
INTERESTED IN JOINING THE BLC CHOIR!**

## **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 September class will be held the  
4th Monday, September 25th 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.



Smore time during the Youth Weekend Gathering



# BLC WELCA FALL SUPPER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2023

PREP DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

WATCH FOR SIGN UP SHEETS!



Badlands Ministries will be voting to replace their current constitution and bylaws, with new bylaws at their annual meeting scheduled for November 19th, 2023. You can reach Brett Seaks for additional information at 701-290-6973.

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!  
2 Corinthians 5:17*



**SAVE THE DATE!  
WOMEN'S RETREAT  
BLC—NOVEMBER 11th**



- Fall Event Worship Service 11:00am This service will be held outside on the back porch of our dining hall and will also be broadcast live online via Facebook.
- Traditional Chicken Lunch 12:00pm
- Silent Auction This will begin online approximately a week prior as items will be posted online via Facebook. Folks may bid in person the day of the auction as well. The silent auction ends on September 24th for online bidders at noon a at 2:00pm for those at the auction.
- Live Auction 1:00pm – 3:30pm Bidders may bid online or in person. Items will be available to see online prior to the auction. Items purchased online will need to shipped to the winning bidder, picked up from camp, or picked up from one of our area churches convenient to the winning bidder.

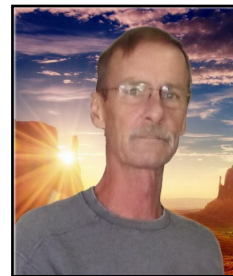
# *In Memory of....*

Funeral service for Robert "Bud" Griffin, 86, of Dickinson were held Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at the Medora Community Center with Pastor Dawn Busch officiating.



Bud went to greener pastures to join his family on Friday, May 26, 2023.

Dwight Elliot Lindbo 61, Ft. Mohave, AZ, passed away on December 2, 2022 at his home with his wife by his side after a



brief battle with cancer. Cremation has taken place. Dwight's Celebration of Life Service was held Thursday, June 1, 2023 at Belfield Lutheran Church, Belfield, ND.

*May God's perpetual light shine upon him*

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
1 Peter 1:3*

## *In our ongoing prayers...*

### *Remembering those in our prayers:*

The Family of Margaret Braun, Todd Coneil, Cord Kessel, Larry Hanson, Cory Tuhy, Halle Blain, Glenda Buckman, Rosemary Walter, Kwirt Johnson, Mary Knotts, Pastor Beth Parks, Norma Newton, Craig McLaughlin, Bernadette Obrigewitch, Maurice Obrigewitch, JoAnne Suomala, Becky Yadon, Johnny Syminow, Lincoln Lee Johnson, Lanie Nichols, Carmen Ruud, 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 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](mailto:newsletter@belfieldlutheran.org)





Medora Lutheran Church said goodbye to Richard Hage as he moved from our community. June 25th we wished him Godspeed, and our community will miss his participation.

Western North Dakota Synod of the ELCA

# LYO 2023

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

LYO 2023 @ the Baymont Hotel in Mandan

- High School: October 19-20
- Middle School: October 20-21

**LYO 2023 Featuring Agape\* and Joe Davis!**

**Thank you to all who helped with the BLC Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser held at BLC on Saturday, August 19th! Thank you to all of those who came out to enjoy some delicious pancakes! Thank you to those who assisted with the 2023 Belfield Hoedown float. We had a great time in the parade!**



# PARADE



# 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!



[Medora Lutheran Church](https://www.medoralutheranchurch.org/)

# September

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10/1/2023 – Belfield WELCA Fall Dinner @ St B's Parish Center in Belfield						
<b>Worship</b> 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am - Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP	<b>Labor Day</b> 4	5 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran	6 7:00 Choir Practice @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran	7 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran	8 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran	9 4:00 pm – BDM Parish Pig Roast Community Event
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SEPTEMBER

# PIG ROAST

## COMMUNITY EVENT

4PM

*Cornhole Tournament*

Register by 9/12/23 - \$30/team - \$40/team Day of

Prizes for  
1st, 2nd and  
3rd place!

5PM

*Pulled Pork Sandwich Meal*

FREE WILL OFFERING

5-8 PM

*Live Music*

4-8 PM

*Jumping Bouncers, Kids Games  
& Face Painting*

4-8 PM

*Vendor Show*

Vendor Registration Fee: \$30 per Vendor

For more information and to register for the Cornhole Tournament or Vendor Show:

Email [belfieldlutheran@gmail.com](mailto:belfieldlutheran@gmail.com) or call 701-575-4703 or

visit us on Facebook or at [belfieldlutheran.org](http://belfieldlutheran.org) or [medoralutheran.org](http://medoralutheran.org)

*Sponsored by the Belfield, Daglum and Medora Lutheran Parish*

**BELFIELD MEMORIAL HALL - 107 2ND AVE NE, BELFIELD, ND**

Welcome to the  
**Lay Preaching Academy**  
 Called, Equipped, and Sent to Share the Gospel of Christ

**Are you interested in Lay Ministry? If so, this class is for you!**

The Lay Preaching Academy was born out of a desire to serve congregations in Western ND who struggle to locate people to lead worship and preach, and also to serve the people who are being called to step into the role of preacher and worship leader and help them build their skills, knowledge and confidence.

The intent is that participants will learn to preach and lead worship with a fuller understanding of our unique ELCA Lutheran framework and a solid grounding in the Bible.

Course materials will be handouts provided ahead of time, as well as two books that the participants will be required to purchase. The two books are: **"A Lay Preacher's Guide: How to Craft a Faithful Sermon"** by Karoline Lewis and **"Lutheran Trump Cards: Playing Our Best Hand in the 21st Century"** by Dave Daubert.

For the first session to be offered this fall, we are inviting participants who have either no preaching experience at all or who have had just a few opportunities to preach, i.e. less than a dozen times. Another session will be offered in the spring for those with more experience.

**The expectations for being a part of the Lay Preaching Academy are:**

- ◆ Connect with an ordained leader of an ELCA congregation, either your own pastor or deacon, or a vice-pastor or nearby leader, if your church is currently without. The hope is for you to be affirmed and supported in this journey to preach.
- ◆ Participants should plan to faithfully attend each session, honoring the commitment of leaders and peers.
- ◆ Participants will read assigned material ahead of time to participate fully in discussion and learning during sessions.
- ◆ Participants will ask questions without fear of judgement from peers or leaders.

The 8 sessions will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. central time on the following dates via Zoom. Each session will last approximately 90 minutes. The sessions will be held on the following dates:

September 19 & 26  
 October 3, 10, 17, 24  
 November 7 & 14

We look forward to seeing you!

- Rev. Mark Narum, Trinity Lutheran Church, Bismarck
- Rev. Desirée Uhrich, Christ Lutheran Church, Minot
- Rev. Cole Bentley, Metigoshe Lutheran Church, Metigoshe
- Rev. Lisa Lewton, St. John Lutheran Church, Dickinson
- Rev. Sharon Baker, Rugby Leeds Lutheran United Parish
- Rev. Zachariah Shipman, NW United Lutheran Parish in Alamo, Ambrose, Crosby, and Wildrose

**Fall 2023 [Registration Link](#)**

**CREATED TO BE**

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

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

<p><b>MYLE</b></p> <p>Multicultural Youth Leadership Event of the ELCA  <b>JULY 13-16, 2024</b></p>	<p><b>the tAbLe</b></p> <p>An ELCA Gathering of Youth with Disabilities  <b>JULY 13-16, 2024</b></p>	<p><b>Young Adult Gathering</b></p> <p>A new ELCA Gathering for Young Adults  <b>JULY 16-20, 2024</b></p>
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**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 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>. <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 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>. <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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> – September 10<sup>th</sup>. [https://bit.ly/DG\\_LIAM](https://bit.ly/DG_LIAM)



*“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.”  
1 Corinthians 13:13*

## Youth Mission Weekend

Our ‘stay-at-home’ mission weekend this summer was filled with fun, faith-exploration, and service. We took in the Badlands Big Sticks game on Friday evening in support of Badlands ministries, followed by Bible study and glow games! Our Bible studies focused on faith, hope, and love to understand which is the greatest. We painted picnic tables at one of the parks in Belfield for Belfield Parks and Rec, encouraged one another at a High Ropes Course, and enjoyed food and bonfire together! The weekend culminated with all of us leading in worship on Sunday morning in Medora and Belfield. Such a great experience! Faith, Hope and Love are grown!!

Thanks to Darnyl Malkowski and Kwirt Johnson for participating and all those who helped provide food!



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## September 2023 Worship Schedule

3	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
10	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
17	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:45 a.m.	Daglum Worship
24	8:30 a.m.	Medora Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Belfield Worship
	11:00 a.m.	Badland's Ministries
		Fall Event



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