

# Big Canoe & Highland Lutheran Churches

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## NEWSLETTER

September WORSHIP TIMES  
Joint Services at Big Canoe 10:00 a.m.

September 2022

### ***Highland NEWS:***

We will be hosting **Gather Bible Study** on 9/16 at 9:30 a.m. This is open to anyone. If you have questions or need a copy of the Bible Study, please contact Louise Jetson 507-498-3216.

GatherMagazine.org has additional information, digital access and discounted subscription for new subscribers.

**Prayer Shawls** are available at both Big Canoe and Highland churches. If you know of someone who could use one, please take one from the totes. There is a sheet tracking when a prayer shawl is given to someone, please make a note of who and when you give them the shawl. This is more a way of ensuring no one is getting overwhelmed with shawls at one time. If you are interested in making prayer shawls, you can contact Anna Jetson @ Highland. There are several people that were making them at one time. If you are not sure where the tote is, please check with the women's group.

Highland is still collecting **School Supplies** for LWR School kits. One kit includes 4 Notebooks (70 pages), 5 ballpoint pens, 5 unsharpened pencils, 1 blunt scissor, 1 12 inches/30 cm ruler, one 2 1/2 inch eraser, 16 or 24 box of crayons, and 1 pencil sharpener. We can also use 4-ounce bars of soap for baby care kits or personal care kits. Dark lightweight bath towels for personal care kits. Baby socks size 9 months to 24 months or dark lightweight hand towels for baby care kits. If you are not a shopper, money can be dropped in the container at Highland or given to Women of the ELCA Treasurer, Louise Jetson.

### ***Big Canoe NEWS:***

Big Canoe WELCA will be having a **Bake/Garage Sale** at Big Canoe on Saturday, October 1 from 9 a.m. to Noon. Anyone having items for the garage sale, please have them at the church by Friday morning. Anyone having baked items, please have them to the church by 8 a.m. Saturday morning. Items that could be advertised, please let Emma know at 563-419-4222.

**Hannah Circle meeting**, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 p.m. at Big Canoe.

**WELCA will meet** at noon on September 14<sup>th</sup> starting with a light lunch and meeting at 12:30. It has been decided to wait another year to try to have the lutefisk supper and ask instead of a \$35 donation per household to help WELCA continue with the projects and organizations they support as we did that last year. This seemed to work very well. Checks may be mailed to The Big Canoe WELCA by October 15<sup>th</sup>. We thank you for your support.

The **Big Canoe Cemetery** Committee has approved Matt Amundson to be paid for mowing and taking care of the grounds at the Big Canoe Cemetery for the rest of the year.

We want to thank all the many volunteers and workers for their time and efforts. If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Cemetery Chair, Tammy Nordheim, at 563-380-5572

**Luther League:** Our Bean Bag Tournament on August 21<sup>st</sup> was a great turn out!!!! For September 25<sup>th</sup> the Luther League will serve coffee, juice, cookies and bars after church to kick off the new Sunday School Program.

October 15<sup>th</sup> we will have a hay wagon ride starting at 3:30 at Big Canoe and a campfire with hotdogs. October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. there will be a Luther League meeting with food and painting pumpkins.

**Confirmation:** August 21<sup>st</sup> the Big Canoe Education Committee and Pastor Gies met with Canoe Ridge/Glenwood Church Pastor Adam Starette and committee. We will be having joint confirmation with them hopefully starting Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Shelley Bigler will be in charge of contacting those families involved. We have ordered the materials for class and are looking to have donors to help pay for the materials/books. Each student will get a Bible, Here We Stand Student Book, and a Luther's small catechism book. The cost is \$50 per student and we have 3, if anyone would like to help pay for these items for students, please contact Tammy Nordheim at 563-380-5572. We look forward to more joint activities involving the Luther League and Canoe Ridge/Glenwood.

**Sunday School:** Sunday School will kick off September 25<sup>th</sup> after the service at Big Canoe downstairs with treats and juice. On that date the kids will get a book bag and instructions of lessons, pray, and a craft to finish in a month. We ask the families to help teach their child/children, make and bring back to display at church. Every month will be new materials to go home with. We will also try to have a special music date so we can get together (more to follow later).

September 25<sup>th</sup> we will also be presenting bibles to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and those we may have missed. We are asking those families to try to attend church service for this presentation.

Highland Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting  
August 14, 2022

**Call to Order**

The August 14, 2022 meeting of the Highland Lutheran Church council was called to order by President Joyce Bjerke at approximately 9:05 a.m. Others in attendance were: Virginia Karlsbrotten, Mark Sollien, Secretary Danny Dutka, Treasurer Anna Jetson, Darlene Sollien, Karen Erickson, Steve Langland, Pastor Waldemar Gies.

**Secretary Report**

Secretary Dutka didn't have a hard copy of the minutes from the April 10, 2022 meeting so he was unable to provide an accurate reading. Darlene Sollien was able to provide a synopsis from her notes.

**Treasurer Report**

Anna Jetson provided printed and verbal information on the finances of the church. Balances as of August 13, 2022 were: Current \$11,927.34, Benevolence \$289.00, Anniversary Fund \$365.10, Improvement Fund \$70,458.28, Scholarship Fund \$5863.72. Second quarter report was also provided. Treasurer Jetson noted that 59% of the Benevolence budget had been paid out which is similar to last year. The printed Treasurer reports will be filed for audit. Copies of these printed reports will be available to the congregation at the church.

**Other**

Jake from Jake's Roofing was present to speak on his proposal for repairing the bell tower. The proposal was based upon visual images obtained by drone. He was able to go into the bell tower to inspect. He verified that the steel roofing on the lower section was improperly installed as suspected. He also pointed out that the upper shingled section was leaking as there was wet boards above the bell. Council took the proposal under advisement and would like to have proposal(s) from other qualified contractors before bringing it to the congregation for action.

**Membership Review**

Darlene Sollien distributed a draft letter that she and Virginia Karlsbrotten have composed. This letter is to be sent to those persons listed as having membership at Highland but haven't participated actively. Inactive members may be removed from the Membership Roll per our constitution. Council members will review the letter and further discuss how to proceed.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Karen Erickson and seconded by Steve Langland. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by,

Danny Dutka  
Highland Secretary



# ~ Shared Ministry Newsletter ~ September 2022



The Shared Ministry Group prepares an informational newsletter each month, which is available for churches to distribute to their congregations. The newsletter will include items of interest, worship times, and other pertinent information.

\*To submit information for the monthly Shared Ministry newsletter, please email Linda Folstad at [linda.folstad49@gmail.com](mailto:linda.folstad49@gmail.com)  
By: September 6th for the October Newsletter



You are invited to join us for monthly Bible Study held at Highland Lutheran Church. September date to be announced.

Discussions center around Bible Studies from **GATHER** Magazine, an ELCA publication. This is an informal Bible Study group where God's Word is explored through scripture readings and conversation in fellowship with folks from area congregations. For more information please contact Louise Jetson at 507-498-3216. Come and join us! All are welcome!



Highland Lutheran Church



Labor Day Dinner



Serving 11:00 am until 1:00 pm

All are welcome!

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## Fall Bazaar



**Burr Oak Lutheran Church**

You are invited to attend our Annual Bazaar at Burr Oak Lutheran Church on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 7:00 pm! There will be baked goods and many handcrafted items for sale, along with 22 items for raffle. Tickets for raffled items may be purchased at the door for \$1.00 each. Lunch will be served following the Bazaar.  
*Hope you can join us!*

# Worship Services in September

	September 4	September 11	September 18	September 25
Highland  Big Canoe	10:00 a.m. Joint Worship at Big Canoe each Sunday in September			
Burr Oak Hesper	8:30 am Joint Burr Oak-Hesper Worship in Hesper .	9:00 am Ecumeni- cal Worship ser- vice on Steam En- gine Grounds	8:30 am 10:00 am <b><i>Celebrating Milestones</i></b>	8:30 am 10:00 am
Canoe Ridge Glenwood	8:30 am 10:30 am	10:30 am 8:30 am	8:30 am 10:30 am	10:30 am 8:30 am
Hauge St. John's	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am



### Simple Living Farmers Market Info

#### MABEL

1/4 mile east of Mabel on Hwy 44  
Saturdays: 8:30 -11:30 am

#### SPRING GROVE

Viking Memorial Park  
Wednesdays:  
4—7 pm Market  
5 -7 pm Music in the Park

#### DECORAH FARMER'S MARKET

Parking lot behind Oneota Coop  
Wednesdays 3—6 pm  
Saturdays 8—11 am

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"God's work. Our hands." Sunday






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#### Future Dates:

- EWALU Online Quilt Auction—September 19—25
- EWALU 35th Annual Fall Festival & Quilt Auction—Sept. 24th
- CLUSTER D FALL GATHERING IN BURR OAK—October 1
- LWR INGATHERING: November 5th at Olson Explosives in Decorah

#### Websites:

- [www.ELCA.org](http://www.ELCA.org)
- [www.WomenoftheELCA.org](http://www.WomenoftheELCA.org)
- [www.NEIASynod.org](http://www.NEIASynod.org)
- [www.bohlutheran.org](http://www.bohlutheran.org) Burr Oak and Hesper Lutheran
- [www.bchlutheran.org](http://www.bchlutheran.org) Big Canoe and Highland Lutheran
- [www.glenwoodlutheran.org](http://www.glenwoodlutheran.org) Glenwood Lutheran Church

# September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Joint Service 10:00 – Big Canoe Communion services	5 Labor Day	6	7	8 Hannah Circle 1:30 p.m. Big Canoe	9	10
11 Joint Service 10:00 – Big Canoe	12	13 Big Canoe Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.	14 Big Canoe WELCA Noon Joint Confirmation starts with Canoe Ridge & Glenwood	15	16 Gather Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Highland	17
18 Joint Service 10:00 – Big Canoe	19 Newsletter items due	20	21	22	23	24
25 10:00 Joint Service - BC Sunday School starts Bible presentation – 3 <sup>rd</sup> graders Luther League serves after service	26	27	28	29	30	October 1 Big Canoe WELCA Garage/Bake Sale 9:00 - Noon
October 15 <sup>th</sup> Luther League hayride \$35 WELCA donations due	October 19 <sup>th</sup> Luther League meeting		<b>HIGHLAND EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - custodial</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> – Lowell Walhus 11 <sup>th</sup> – Dennis Karlsbroten 18 <sup>th</sup> – Gary Halverson 25 <sup>th</sup> – Mark Sollien			Big Canoe & Highland website: www.bchlutheran.org