

## Galilee Lutheran Church

*Witnessing to God's love & grace in Jesus Christ  
for all people through prayer, worship & service*

A Center for Ministry and Spiritual Formation



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## Why not tie knot?



A few weeks ago Pastor Delaney from our partner church, St. Paul's-Milwaukee, reached out to me wondering if we at Galilee might want to share in a project. What project, you ask? It is to offer blankets to St. Paul's neighbors through Kim's Table this fall. I shared the opportunity with a few Galilee leaders and we all said, yes, so here is our plan:



These will be knot tied fleece blankets so we are asking anyone and everyone who is in worship starting July 9th to stop at our blanket table and tie a knot or two. Blankets will be available during and after worship. Stay a while and tie a lot or pause a moment and tie one knot. Every set of hands and every knot move us forward in finishing as many blankets as possible. My personal goal for us is to complete 20 blankets, but I will be thrilled with whatever we are able to finish.

I am so grateful for our partnership with St. Paul's and for my partnership with you. Only one question remains: Why not tie knot?

*Pastor Jennifer*

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# Leadership Updates

## METeam July News

As expected, June has been a very busy and productive month for your METeam. Both our Internal and External subcommittees have finished their research and are now in the process of digesting and analyzing all this information. During most of July, we will be starting to fill in the basic information required for completion of the Ministry Site Profile (MSP). Some items of our research stand out.

Our greater Pewaukee area is comprised of three areas: the lake community, the Village of Pewaukee, and the City of Pewaukee. As these communities are becoming more affluent, housing is expected to become a greater issue. The quality of the schools is a major draw for both existing and new families. The Pewaukee area leaders feel that a strong sense of community is an important attribute of our community.

Our fellow parishioners also strongly believe that a sense of community and family is an important attribute of Galilee. We love our worship services and especially value strong sermons that guide us in our prayer and faith as we seek God's guidance in our daily lives. We treasure all of the music during worship services including our vocal choir, bell choir, soloists and instrumentalists. We like a variety of liturgies and enjoy lots of congregational singing. We feel it is important that we include children and youth in our services and in our programs.

The METeam thanks you again for taking part in all the opportunities that we have offered as we assemble our information. It is extremely important that the MSP accurately reflects both the congregation that we are and the congregation we want to become. If you want to share any thoughts or have questions about what we've shared here, please speak to a METeam member or email us at [met2023@galileelc.org](mailto:met2023@galileelc.org). With God's help and your support, we pray that He will guide us to the right new pastor.

METeam

## Leadership Board

Here are some thoughts from the Leadership Board:

As I've shared previously, back in April we had a Leadership Retreat with the Leadership Board and Galilee's Ministry Coordinators. This was a very productive time and a number of good conversations and items came out of that time together. One clear item that came out was a need to review and possibly redefine our Mission and Vision statements. The current statements were developed more than 20 years ago and a discussion on how they fit Galilee's ministry today is being had. With the METeam, the Leadership Board will be having meetings coming up on July 24th and 31st. These will be longer (upwards of 3 hours) meetings where we will be gathering to consider updating these statements. From this time together, we hope to find focus and to develop where our energies need to be pointed. Most importantly, we will be considering where God and Jesus are directing us and we are hopeful to discern where we see God's vision at Galilee. Our goal following these meetings will be re-affirm or to have developed updated statements. If you have thoughts on this I would ask you to please share those with members of the Leadership Board or METeam.

I know many of you have noted the educational opportunities around the topic of the LGBTQIA+ communities that are occurring. Some may be wondering why these conversations are happening. There is a point to them and that is related to the Pastoral Call Process. When the Leadership Board first talked to the Synod shortly after Pastor Jay announced his retirement, we were told about the call process and that Galilee will be asked if we would ask the Synod to screen out LGBTQIA+ Pastors who otherwise would match our Ministry Site Profile. Our thought is to give our congregation a chance to learn and reflect biblically and missionally on issues surrounding those who identify as LGBTQIA+ so that we can come to an answer that we believe is faithful to how God is working through Galilee into its next chapter of ministry. From a timing perspective, we will need to have an answer on this, ideally, towards the end of September in order to provide an answer to the Bishop by mid-October. You can expect to hear more discussion on this in the coming months. For now, I would ask everyone to please keep an open mind and listen, as a whole, to what we're saying to each other on this topic. In the end, the decision we make may be yes, no, or we're not there yet but we're working on getting there.

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We're still working on a number of other initiatives that I've shared earlier with you, including the roof replacement project, offering live streaming of our services, the development of a Financial Ministry Team and important work on the Stewardship Team. I expect that you will see updates on some, if not all, of these projects soon. One item to note with regards to the live streaming project is that we will likely re-arrange the Sanctuary. For many years the Sanctuary has been configured as you see it currently at Worship but the space and furniture were designed with various configuration options available. The current view is not ideal for video recording so we're going to revisit this and try out a new configuration in July (potentially early July). We will be anxious to hear your reactions.

There have been a fair number of changes happening at Galilee. It is our hope that change is occurring to better meet the needs of our Congregation. I think it's safe to say that in the next few months we'll see many of the current conversations start to gel and coalesce. It should be an exciting time!

Carl Spencer  
President

# Faith Formation

## The most feared word in the church?

Could it be that the most feared word in the church is.... STEWARDSHIP? I think it may be the most feared AND the most misunderstood.

In years past, the people who greeted us as we boarded a plane were called stewards or stewardesses. Now called flight attendants, these are important people. Not only do they welcome us, but they are to care for us and guide us in time of need or trouble. They are also the ambassadors of the airline, entrusted with the resources and values of the airline.

In our journey with Jesus we are called to be good stewards, caretakers of the things and the values of God. Too often we have reduced stewardship to talking about financial giving. Money is a matter of good stewardship, but good stewardship is so much broader and deeper than money.

All that we have is a gift from God. We enter this world with nothing and a caring person will wrap us in a swaddling cloth soon after our birth. We leave this world with nothing, except perhaps the clothes chosen for our burial. Everything in between is a gift from God. How we manage (or steward) these gifts is a matter of our faith and discipleship.

I am looking to gather a team of people here at Galilee to create a wholistic, biblical plan for stewardship that will invite us to strengthen our witness and deepen our walk with Christ, individually and together. Would you consider being a part of team like this for one year? If so, please let me know at your earliest convenience. I hope to have a first gathering with you all some time in July.

Thank you for considering this opportunity.

Your partner in ministry,

Pastor Jennifer

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## Worship & Arts

### Summer Music Sessions

Summer music at Galilee is all about the Summer Music Sessions. This is where anyone (single, duet, trio, quartet, small group) may bring special music to our services. This music may be instrumental or vocal.

Interested? Contact Patricia at [patricia@galileelc.org](mailto:patricia@galileelc.org) or 262-888-3740 to set their date.



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## Compassion Care

### Saturday & Sunday, July 1 & 2 Healing Prayer during Worship Service

Offered by trained healing prayer lay ministers, you are welcome to come forward during communion to receive God's love, grace and healing power. All prayer requests are confidential. For more info or to receive training, contact Krista Olia at [kristaolia@gmail.com](mailto:kristaolia@gmail.com).



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### Tuesday, July 18 | 3:00 pm Loss & Living Gathering

Please join us in the Narthex on June, 20th. We listen, share, comfort and support each other through the loss process, even though our losses may be different. The Gathering is not limited to the loss of a loved one but includes any loss that affects us emotionally or physically. This could be a loss of a job, the move to a new location, the loss of a dream, a pet, a relationship, a material or physical loss, retirement or a life change. We care for each other, understand and give support. Your faith and insight may have a profound impact on our journey of healing. If you know of someone who might benefit from this living with loss, please invite them to join us.



If you have any questions, please contact Barb Barthel at 262-691-0711.

# Hospitality

## Coffee Fellowship on Vacation

We will be off for for the summer except for any special occasions. The Kuerig can be used if you need a cup. Thank you to all who donated treats during the year and helped out in any manner. And thanks to Jeanine Knutson for her special treats each month. If you would like to be involved in this ministry please see Viv Dethloff or Susan Keller.



See you in September!

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# Upcoming Events

## COLUMBARIUM EVENT

An inurnment ceremony will be held at Galilee's Columbarium at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 6th, 2023 for Pastor James D. Rasmussen. Pastor Jim served as Galilee's Senior Pastor from 1989 to 1998. He was a great friend and faith inspiration during his time at Galilee. He passed from this life to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus, on October 16, 2009.

Pastor Jim's wife Terry, and their children and grandchildren will be present for this ceremony and they have invited the congregation to come celebrate and commemorate Pastor Jim's life. There will be time to catch up with the Rasmussen family after the ceremony and refreshments will be served. Please plan to attend and in keeping with a tradition Pastor Jim started at Galilee, "Do wear **RED** !"

Bill Braunschweig, Columbarium Administrator



Galilee's Annual Church picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 27th at Galilee! Please mark your calendars to join us. Stay tuned for details.

Thank you,  
Sara Schroeder & Terri Drover  
Connecting Ministry

## Partnerships

Saturday & Sunday, July 1 & 2

Noisy Offering Weekend During Worship Service

Offerings support ministry with children at our partner congregations: The Community of Monsenor Romero in El Salvador, The Ndoombo Parish in Meru, Tanzania (Africa) and St. Paul's Lutheran Church—our urban partner at 28th & Wisconsin in Milwaukee. Bring your loose change or rolls of coins. And, even paper money and checks are cheerfully accepted. Thank you for your generosity!



Saturday & Sunday, July 1 & 2

Pewaukee Food Pantry Collections | Before Both Worship Services



Pewaukee Interchurch Lay Council/Pewaukee Food Pantry is located in the lower level of Gethsemane United Methodist Church. About 200 families a month are served by the food pantry. Because of the current economic conditions, the number of families needing assistance is growing. Each week we distribute 250-300 cans of soup and vegetables, 50-75 cans of fruit, 50 boxes of cereal, 100 cans of tuna, 50 boxes of pasta, etc. We find that during the extended-summer season – from May through October – is the most difficult time for us to keep food on our shelves. For drop-off hours and address visit Pewaukee Food Pantry website. For more info contact Sharon Vitek at [sharonvitek@att.net](mailto:sharonvitek@att.net).

### Outreach for Hope

Save the date! The 2023 Family "Ride Run Walk" will take place September 30th.



**The Hope Center** is hosting its 15th Annual TEE UP FOR HOPE Golf Outing on Monday, July 17, 2023 at Broadlands Golf Club. Registration opens at 9:30am/Shotgun start at 11:30am. There is a \$150 REGISTRATION FEE per person.

This fee includes all of the following:

- Team Scramble Event (with team & individual prizes)
- Buffet Lunch & Heavy Hors De Oeuvres Evening Social
- 2 Mulligans
- Putting Contest
- 2 "Step Up Holes"
- Post-Golf Multi-Prize Raffle Entry





## El Salvador Ministry Team

### Do You Know?

Since 2006, Galilee has been in partnership with a small church located in a rural community just outside of San Salvador, the capital city of El Salvador. Our Partner Church is called El Renacer de Los Martires, which in English means “The Return of the Martyrs” or “The Rebirth of the Martyrs.” The community where this church is located is called La Comunidad de Mosenor Romero, which in English means “The Community of Monsenor Romero.”

Monsenor Romero is one of the best known and beloved Christian figures in Salvadoran history. He was a very popular church leader during the 1960s and 1970s, and ultimately became the Archbishop of El Salvador in 1977. His ministry focused on serving the poor. He also spoke out against social injustice, including the political torture and assassinations that were occurring in El Salvador at that time.

Galilee’s “Sister Church” partnership with El Renacer de Los Martires was formed pursuant to a covenant signed in September of 2006. The Pastor at our partner church is Pastor Martir. Through monetary donations from Galilee members, we have provided electricity and a new roof for the church, a fence around the church property, and a Sunday School building for the children. We have also offered resources for worship and education, including teaching materials, technology resources, hymnals, and bibles to assist Pastor Martir in his ministry. Most recently, through some generous donations, we are providing new ceramic tiling for the church and Sunday School buildings. That tiling is currently being installed.

There have been many Galilee delegation visits to El Salvador over the life of the partnership. During those visits, Galilee members worship, share fellowship and conversation, listen to the needs of the community, share meals, and provide support in the Principle of Accompaniment. In short, we come together and build relationships.

Each year, we are pleased to assist with funds for backpacks, school supplies, and socks for the children in the community, many of whom walk quite a distance through fields and over dirt roads to get to the local school. We also provide funds for annual church celebrations, including a Christmas party, a Mothers' Day celebration, and annual celebrations honoring the birthday of our Partner Church and the life of Archbishop Romero.

If you already knew all this, great! If this information is new to you, that’s great too! We welcome providing you with opportunities to learn more.

Over the next few months, you will be hearing more about the El Salvador partnership and how you could become involved.

El Salvador Ministry Team



**Curiosity**  
Hear the Stories

2023 Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly  
June 2-3, 2023 @ Italian Community Center

## **ELECTION RESULTS**

### **CONSULTATION COMMITTEE:**

Rev Sheila Rawn (she/her)  
Rev. Casey Sugden (he/him)

### **SECRETARY:**

Rev. Sarah Stobie (she/her)

### **SYNOD COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Todd Beutin (he/him)  
Jose Guerrero (he/him)  
Rev. Kimberly Jordan (she/her)  
Missy Schober (she/her)  
Lucas Short (he/him)

A full list of Synod Council members is  
available on our website:

[milwaukee-synod.org/about-us/synod-council/](https://milwaukee-synod.org/about-us/synod-council/)

## **PARTICIPANTS**

**Rostered Voting Members: 112**

**Lay Voting Members: 187**

**Non-Voting Participants: 46**

**TOTAL: 345**

## **RESOLUTION RESULTS**

**Resolution to Amend the ELCA Constitution to  
Include Creation Care: PASSED**

**Resolution in Support of Raise the Age  
Wisconsin: PASSED**

**Resolution on Synod Guidelines for  
Continuing Education: PASSED**

**Resolution to Establish a Compensation  
Guidelines Task Force: PASSED**

**Resolution on Children and Vulnerable Youth  
(Amended): PASSED**

### **ALSO ADOPTED:**

- 2024-2025 Budget
- Constitutional & Bylaw Changes

## **SYNOD ASSEMBLY OFFERING**

**TOTAL: \$4395.67 to the Rev. Ken Wheeler  
Scholarship Fund for African-American  
Seminararians as of 6/7. Open until 6/14 at  
[tinyurl.com/gmsa-offering-2023](https://tinyurl.com/gmsa-offering-2023)**

*Thanks to everyone who joined us at Synod Assembly, to our synod staff and volunteers,  
to our hosts at the Italian Community Center, and to our tech staff from Studio Gear!*

**Event resources available at [tinyurl.com/GMSAssembly2023](https://tinyurl.com/GMSAssembly2023)**

**SAVE THE DATE: 2024 SYNOD ASSEMBLY**

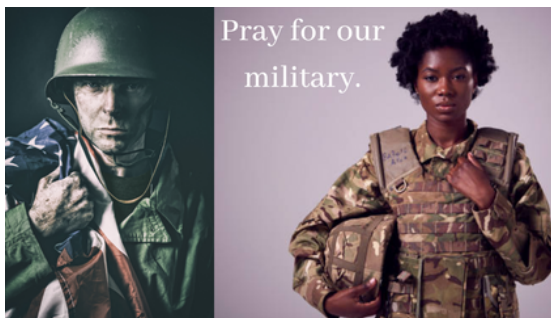
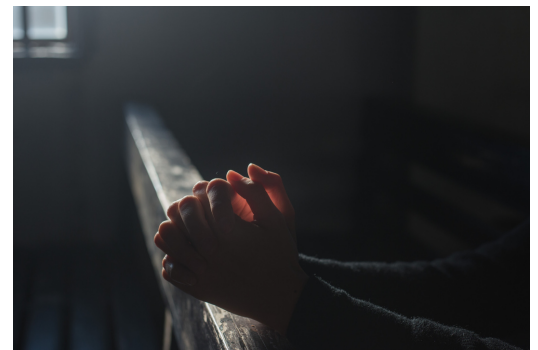
May 17 - 18, 2024 @ Italian Community Center, Milwaukee

# July Birthdays

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> Thomas Reinke       | <b>6</b> David Schwartz    | <b>16</b> Clarence Schill      | <b>26</b> Jennifer Barker     |
| <b>1</b> Robert Taylor       | <b>8</b> Joanne Wolf       | <b>18</b> Trevan Higgins       | <b>26</b> Sydney Austin       |
| <b>2</b> Kayla Muroi         | <b>9</b> Patricia DeBlaey  | <b>18</b> Nancy Wojcicki       | <b>28</b> Terri Hofstede      |
| <b>3</b> Thomas Barth        | <b>9</b> Matthew Gahan     | <b>18</b> Marlene Baranowski   | <b>28</b> William Barker      |
| <b>3</b> Bryce Kaczor        | <b>11</b> Meghan Miller    | <b>19</b> Terry Hartwig-Bieser | <b>28</b> John Alters         |
| <b>4</b> Lincoln Fisher      | <b>11</b> Karla Sloan      | <b>19</b> Elizabeth Sobottke   | <b>30</b> Christopher Rudolph |
| <b>4</b> Cori Goss           | <b>12</b> MacKenzie Schill | <b>20</b> Howard Taylor        | <b>30</b> Ann Dee Austin      |
| <b>5</b> Mary Winter         | <b>14</b> Robert Kozlowski | <b>20</b> Connor Liek          | <b>31</b> Kyle Osenga         |
| <b>5</b> Christopher Sherman | <b>14</b> Carol Puestow    | <b>20</b> Christina Cotey      | <b>31</b> Mary Ann Benrud     |
| <b>5</b> Mitchell Smith      | <b>15</b> Patricia Rudolph | <b>21</b> Eric Osenga          |                               |
| <b>6</b> Austin Schroeder    | <b>16</b> Nolan Geffers    | <b>22</b> Braelyn Plesh        |                               |

## Prayer Needs

**Please keep in your prayers** - Patricia Alters, Tom Buelow, Jo Buth, Jessica Connolly, Judy Corcoran, Judy Corlett, Oretha Dueno, Rosalie Finlayson, Donna Frederick, Cylie Harris, Paul Hintze Jr., Moses Htoo, Bill Koehn, Joan Liu, Heidi Mag, Ray Mansker, Norma Mielke, Michael Mielke, Harper N., Carol Puestow, John Ruf, Cori Ryta, Ken Ryta, Linda Schroeder, Maureen Schwartz, Mike Taylor, & Vi Tremaine.



Pray for our  
military.

Mike Anderson  
Andrew Connolly  
Jeremy Fossier  
Tim Gilestad  
Bill Groth  
Benjamin Maske  
Morgan Mosher  
Andrew Richardson

Are you or someone you know in need of prayer? Simply contact the church office at (262) 691-2380 or email [galilee@galileelc.org](mailto:galilee@galileelc.org) with your prayer requests.

# Ministry & Staff

## Ministry Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Jennifer Arnold, Interim, email: pastorjennifer@galilleelc.org

**Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry:** Jean Nelson, email: jeancyf@galilleelc.org

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**Office Coordinator:** Samantha Scantlin, email: galilee@galilleelc.org

*Church office is open Monday–Thursday 8:30-4:30pm*

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## Ministry Coordinators

### WELCOMING

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**Administration** - Church Office & HR | Kathy Taylor | htmachine@centurytel.net

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**Partnerships & Global-Gifting** - Mary Winter | marywinter1322@gmail.com

**Compassion Care** - Mary Jo Magnusson | mjmagusson@hotmail.com

**Columbarium** - Bill Braunschweig | bbraunschweig1@gmail.com

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## Leadership Board Members, 2023

**Carl Spencer** - President | cspencer@digicorp-inc.com

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**Steve Dethloff** - Secretary | dethloff5@gmail.com

**Terri Drover** - Member at large | terdrover@sbcglobal.net

**Mary Dehler** - Member at large | biddymarka@gmail.com

**Andrea Smith** - Treasurer | andreamsmith3@wi.rr.com

# July 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						NO MEN'S BIBLE STUDY 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. AA/Alateen	7:30 p.m. AA	10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting		8:00 p.m. AA 8:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 87	OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 p.m. 12 Step Group	8:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. AA/Alateen	7:30 p.m. AA	10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting		11:30 a.m. "Go Getters" 8:00 p.m. AA 8:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 87	OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 p.m. 12 Step Group	7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Stadler Courtship of Honor Event 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. AA/Alateen	Hope Center Golf 1:00 p.m. Knitters & Crocheters 7:30 p.m. AA	10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 3:00 p.m. Loss & Living 6:15 p.m. Coordinators Meeting		8:00 p.m. AA 8:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 87	OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 p.m. 12 Step Group 4:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal	8:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 2:30 p.m. Murphy Wedding 5:00 p.m. Worship Service
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Sundays at 9:00 am

Sunday School, Confirmation  
&  
Adult Education  
Sundays at 10:15 am



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God's work. Our hands.