



Galilee Lutheran Church

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IT STARTS WITH GRATITUDE

One of the first things we teach our kids is how to say thank you. Maybe it's just a popsicle at first or the sharing of a toy, but for the rest of our lives there will be things around us that call forth the opportunity for expressing gratitude. So it is good that we start young and show our kids how to respond so that it becomes a way of life, a frame of mind, and a posture of the heart.

In the coming weekends of October we will be talking about stewardship. Often the most feared or disliked word, we equate stewardship only with money and how much we are going to give to the church. We reduce it to something that feels transactional rather than spiritual, and that's a shame. Stewardship does involve financial giving and in the coming month you will be invited to consider your giving for 2024, but stewardship is so much more.

A steward is one who is entrusted to care for something or someone. Flight attendants used to be called stewards or stewardesses because they are entrusted to care for the passengers on a flight, to make sure they are safe and that they have what they need along the way. The passengers don't belong to them, but they are responsible for them for a period of time.

God made people to be stewards of this world and of one another. We are given resources and relationships to tend for a period of time. The resources and relationships don't belong to us; they come as gifts which are to bless us and which are to be turned into blessings for others. This is how we honor the Giver and the gift. This is how we say thank you for all that we have first received.

As we consider our stewardship this month, I invite us to remember that it all starts with gratitude to our Amazing God who meets us with abundant love and grace. And whatever decisions stand before us each day, may we ask ourselves, "how can my decision reflect my gratitude to God and my calling to bless as I have been blessed?"

Thank you for being with me on this journey!

Pastor Jennifer



METeam October News



After many months of surveys and meetings, the METeam has completed the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) and delivered it to the Leadership Board for its approval. So, what is next in Galilee's search for a new pastor?

The Leadership Board and the METeam will jointly host an all-congregation Town Hall meeting on Sunday, October 15. The MSP will be formally presented to the congregation for discussion and comment before it is ultimately submitted for use in the call process.

The Town Hall meeting is the final step for the METeam in our process to call a new pastor. The Leadership Board will be appointing a Call Committee who will be responsible for interviewing pastoral candidates and recommending a pastor for call.

Bishop Paul Erickson will be with us at our morning worship service and at this Town Hall meeting following the service. He will explain how the MSP will be used by our Greater Milwaukee ELCA Synod and how they will assist our Call Committee in its search and call process. We encourage you to attend this very important meeting.

The METeam sincerely thanks each one of you for your wonderful help, participation, and prayers as we have worked to understand who Galilee is and where we see our future on this journey of Christian faith. There is still a lot of work ahead and we hope you will continue to support the Call Committee and Leadership Board, as you have so generously supported us. Thank you!

The 2023 METeam

October Update from Leadership Board

MSP, MSP, MSP...

September has been the month to complete the Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The METeam has done an incredible job of guiding and leading the Congregation through a variety of interviews, meetings, surveys and other information gathering tasks that were used to compile information about who Galilee has been, who we are today and where we want to go in the future. They have completed their final draft of the MSP and have asked all of you to assist in providing a final review as well. The MSP is now in the hands of the Leadership Board and we are finalizing a few items that we were tasked to complete. We will soon be handing this off to the Synod for their review and they will begin the process of working with Galilee and presenting candidates to our Call Committee for consideration. The Leadership Board wishes to thank the METeam for all of their efforts and to also thank the Congregation for your continued help in this process.

As the Leadership Board works to complete the areas of the MSP that we are tasked with we too have been having additional meetings both with the Board as well as the Congregation to discern where Galilee sits on a few critical issues. These conversations have been very useful in learning about where Galilee is in terms of our desire to be a more diverse and inclusive Congregation and how that may drive us going forward. The Leadership Board will be prayerfully considering all that we have learned and looks to make final decisions in these areas before finalizing the MSP and sending it on the Synod. I would ask that all pray on this and consider where God is leading Galilee at this point and time.

CALL COMMITTEE

With the MSP wrapping up it means we are now ready for the Call Committee! This should be a very exciting time for us all as we now move to the part of the process where we will interview candidates and choose a new Pastor. The Leadership Board has started the process of pulling the Call Committee together and will be looking to finalize this group by early October at the latest. Many thanks to those who have shown an interest in serving. We are all anxious to see this Committee begin their work!

TOWN HALL MEETING

What is this? The Town Hall meeting is scheduled for October 15th at 10:15 AM following the morning service. We will be joined on this day by the Bishop who will talk to the Congregation about the type of candidate we are seeking and how the Call process will work. Please consider making time in your schedule to attend this meeting and participate in the conversation. This will be an important event in this process and will give you an opportunity to hear directly from the Synod on what to expect.

To close for this month, this past year has been an interesting time for reflection for our Congregation. Some clear themes have been put out in terms of where we have been, who we are today and where we want to go. As with many organizations there is not a 100%/"all in" path on some topics but there usually is a general consistency in our thoughts as a group. With a better-defined direction and ultimately a new Pastor I think it's safe to say that we can anticipate that there will be some changes at Galilee. Those changes will be based on the results of the process we all have spent the better part of the last 10 months on. I hope that you will look forward with great anticipation as we discover where we are going while we continue our walk with Jesus and consider the path God is guiding us to.

Carl Spencer
President

Faith Formation

God's work.
Our hands.

Sharing God's love and grace

The faith formation year resumed on **September 10** with an intergenerational service project in recognition of the ELCA's "God's work. Our hands." Sunday. Almost 50 people from age 3 to 80 gathered in the Gathering Place to make cards for our homebound members, college students, and residents at Legacy Assisted Living in Pewaukee. Almost **60 cards** were decorated with drawings and stickers. Messages of love and care were written or stamped inside. Envelopes were addressed and prepared for mailing. With the goal of nurturing relationships between the generations, participants were encouraged to strike up a conversation with someone they didn't know. Those who were brave enough introduced the newest member of their church family to the rest of the group.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event a great success!

Creating Community



Each September, Sunday School kids are asked to fill out a form titled "**All About Me.**" This helps build relationships as Sunday School leaders get to know more about the children in their class - what they like to do for fun, what they are good at, what they want to be when they grow up, etc. This fall we are asking **adults** to fill out a similar form. How well do you know the people you see at church each weekend? What might you have in common? Do you share any interests? Let's see how many people we can get to know better.

Forms will be available in the **narthex** and all are encouraged to fill one out. The information will be shared with the Galilee community with the goal to create a greater sense of **community**. Looking forward to learning more about you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CORNER



Hello Families!! Our Sunday School year is off to a great start. We currently have 28 students registered, and we always have room for more. Please invite a friend or two to join us on Sunday mornings. We would love to have them. Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 22nd. The kids will be singing during worship in honor of Celebration Sunday. It is also the date for Pumpkin Fest. Please join us from 11:30-2:00 for fun, fellowship, food and of course, pumpkins!! We hope to see all of you there.



Save the date!

Last year’s Pumpkin Party was so much fun that we are doing it again on October 22. Join us for lunch, pumpkin carving and decorating, games, cookie decorating, and pumpkin bowling.

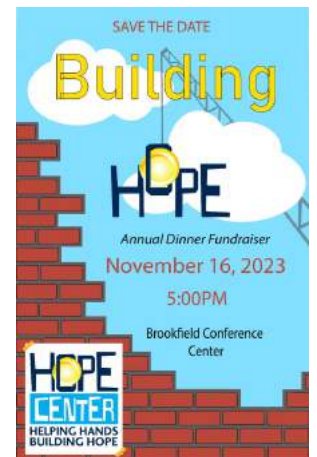
Galilee’s new vision statement highlights our desire to reach out to the Pewaukee community. Pumpkin Fest is an easy way to connect people with our Galilee community. Invite your friends, classmates and neighbors to join us. (The Packer game is not until 3:25 pm.)

There will be a sign up board in the narthex for food and supplies.

Questions? Contact Jill Plesh at jplesh001@rr.wi.com.

Help Galilee fill a table of 10 at Hope Center’s annual dinner fundraiser

Roy and Jean Nelson are sponsoring a table again this year and would love for you to join them at this fun and entertaining event. Save the date. More details to come. Contact Roy at revroy07@gmail.com with any questions.



A very gracious thank you to all who helped create the Galilee picnic sign up board, shop for food, set up, grill burgers and brats, brought delicious dishes to pass, moved picnic tables, cleared the parking lot of weeds, and cleaned up for our annual picnic! What a team! We could not have had such a lovely time without everyone's contributions.

God provided a beautiful day to worship and eat outdoors and this was a great opportunity to reconnect after the summer months.

For anyone wishing to help next year or if you feel your gifts calling you to join the Connecting or Hospitality teams, please let us know.

Thank you,
Connecting & Hospitality Teams

Go-Getters



Galilee Go-Getters meet on the second Thursday of each month. All members of Galilee 50+ are invited to join us at 11 a.m. for a short service with Pastor Jennifer then there is a potluck lunch. All are welcome. After lunch there is a table for card players and...Or..How long since you played a wicked game of Chinese Checkers? A table will be set up. Or you can come to make new friends or visit with old friends. Check us out. Did I say ALL ARE WELCOME. Hope to see you there.

-Galilee Go Getters

Compassion Care

Loss & Living Gathering: Tuesday, October 17th | 3:00 p.m.

Please join us in the Narthex on October 17th at 3:00 p.m. 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.

Partnerships

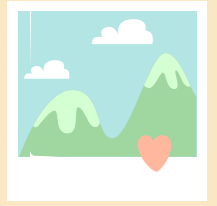
HEALING PRAYER
HEALING PRAYER WILL BE OFFERED DURING HOLY COMMUNION AT WORSHIP SERVICES ON OCTOBER 7 & 8.

PEWAUKEE FOOD PANTRY
October 7 & 8

NOISY OFFERING WEEKEND
October 7 & 8



September



THANK YOU for Tying the Knot!

St. Paul's was able to share 60 blankets with their neighbors during Kim's Table on 9/20. Pastor Jennifer, Jill Plesh, Sally Ruf, and Deb Kohler joined in on the fun, which included distributing socks and hygiene packets. It's good to be church together.



October Birthdays

1 Vaughn Strosin
2 Matthew Opie
2 Nicholas Corlett
3 Barbara Barthel
4 Derek Wolf
4 Al Burgemeister
4 Ian Thomas Reinke
5 Nicholas Pjevach
6 Amber Glover
7 Elijah Greig
7 Joelle Bickel

8 Nicole Arzberger
8 Alyssa Olson
8 Amanda Arzberger
10 Brian Binder
11 Emilia Falter
12 Donna Chudada
12 Savannah Evans
12 Sawyer Sullivan
13 Jean Nelson
15 Joshua Prins
16 Linda Klein

17 Hailey Liek
17 Carole Miller
18 Debra K. Sirovina
19 David Keller
19 David Piotrowski
20 Sarah Bowman
20 Madelyn Raschka
20 John Wallenfang
20 Stephen Hanson
21 Rachel Carlson
21 Casey Goss

22 Kaye Doenier
22 Michael Raschka
24 Mary Calhoun
24 Gannon Huebner
24 Margaret Pick
28 Emily Danner
28 Ava Prins
28 Cari Wallenfang
29 Sharon Vitek
29 Jeanine Knutson
29 Emily Barth

Prayer Needs

Please keep in your prayers - Patricia Alters, Joal Brinkman, Karen Buelow, Tom Buelow, Jessica Connolly, Judy Corcoran, Judy Corlett, Bev Coshun, Brent Diefenbach, Oretha Dueno, Rosalie Finlayson, Donna Frederick, Garrett Goodrich, Gloria Goodrich, Cylie Harris, Paul Hintze Jr., Tilly Johnson, Bill Koehn, Margo Krumnow, Heidi Mag, Ray Mansker, Norma Mielke, Michael Mielke, Helen Mueller, Harper N., Carol Puestow, John Ruf, Cori Ryta, Ken Ryta, Maureen Schwartz, Olivia Taylor, Vi Tremaine, Jim Williams, and Penny Williams.



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 with your prayer requests.

Ministry Staff

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October



SUN	MON	TUE	Wed	THU	FRI	SAT
1 9a Worship_Service 10:15a Sunday_School 6p Al-Anon/Alateen - Fellow	2 7:30p AA - Fellowship_Hall	3	4 6p Vocal_Choir_Rehearsal 7p Bell_Choir_Rehearsal	5 8p AA - Room_41 8p Boy_Scouts_Troop_87 - Fe	6 Office_Closed 12p 12_Step_Group - Room	7 7:30a Men's_Bible_Study - Fi 5p Worship_Service
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15 Bell_Choir 9a Worship_Service 10:15a Sunday_School 6p Al-Anon/Alateen - Fellow	16 1p Knitters & Crocheters - C 7:30p AA - Fellowship_Hall	17	18 10:30a Text_Study 6p Vocal_Choir_Rehearsal 7p Bell_Choir_Rehearsal	19 8p AA - Room_41 8p Boy_Scouts_Troop_87 - Fe	20 Office_Closed 12p 12_Step_Group - Room 2p Women's Retreat - Gathering & Fellowship_Hall 5p Worship_Service	21 Bell_Choir 7:30a Men's_Bible_Study - Fi 5p Worship_Service
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JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

SATURDAYS AT 5:00 PM

SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT EDUCATION

SUNDAYS AT 10:15 AM



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God's work. Our hands.