



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | GLENBURN AND LANSFORD | MAY 2021

Trinity United Parish

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

(Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 NRSV)

Dear friends,

I can hardly believe that it is May already. It feels like it was just yesterday when we were celebrating Christmas, and now, we are looking forward to summer. Time seems to just fly by these days. Things seem to change even when we don't want them to. For me and my family, we will be celebrating another high school graduation this May, and I just want time to slow down. Don't get me wrong, I am so proud of my daughter, Jackie, and all that she has accomplished, and I can't wait to see where God will lead next. I'm sure she will do great things. Yet, I miss the days when she and her brothers were little. With each child that graduates and moves on to college, my life changes.

Change, though, isn't a bad thing. Change can be good. Change can be stressful. Change can be rough. Change can be amazing. No matter what, though, change is going to happen whether we like it or not. The writer of Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us that things around will always be changing. Just as we watch the seasons change each year – from summer to fall to winter to spring – we also watch things change in our lives. We grow and change. The people around us grow and change. The events that happen in the world can bring small changes and some can bring big changes. We have certainly had our share of change this past year. We didn't always like it. Wearing a mask. Socially distancing. Not being able to gather or having to gather in different ways. These things were hard, and we often longed for things to go back to normal.

Change is not fun. Sometimes it's not easy, but it's inevitable. Yet, we don't journey through the waters of change alone. In the passage above from Ecclesiastes, we see these various moments that could happen throughout a lifetime. These moments all have one thing in common. God is present in every one of these moments – celebrating with us in the good moments and grieving with us in the hard moments; sharing our joy and helping us learn.

So if you are in a season of change, (and even if you aren't right now, you will be at some point), know that God goes with you, helping you navigate through the change, and helping you find the abundant life he blesses us with even when it is hard to see. And for that, we can forever be thankful.

Blessings,
Pastor Martha

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Join us for Sunday worship!

Lansford 9am

Glenburn 11am

Military

Clay Pilgrim
Bill Tilton
Wes Netcher
Kent Johnson
Nick Swenson
Jesse Hartle
Robert Blevins
Jay Montejo



Prayer List

For Karen and Greg Gavere for safe travels and comfort at the loss of Greg's sister in law.

For healing for Sonja Mickelson.

For healing for Rodger Zurcher. For healing for Briggs Lee, grandson of Cal and Joellen Lee.

For healing for Pearl Nelson.

For healing for Alice Undlin.

For healing for Curtis Talley.

For healing for Cal Lee.

For healing and comfort for Elma Doer, the mother of Johnnet Christianson.

For healing for Bob Helming.

For strength and continued healing for Amy Artz.

For healing for Shannon Sisk-Wulick.

For healing Ron Johnston.

For healing and strength for Cole Schlag and Tamara Zumbaum.

“...serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Galatians 5:13-14

Backpack Buddies Program

Our Backpack Buddies program will feed a student in need of food for the weekend. Non-perishable and easy to make foods are needed. Examples are: Oatmeal packs, veg. and fruit cups, mac n cheese cups, jellies, tuna packs, ramen noodles granola bars, etc.

If you are interested in sponsoring a child, it costs \$340.00 per year. We currently have 26 students we are helping.



Glenburn Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Our Pantry could use syrup, pancake mix, gravy, jelly, peanut butter, Hamburger Helpers, soups of any kind, and toiletries. Any non-perishable food, paper products, and monetary donations are always greatly appreciated. There is a cart in the back of the church. Thanks for donating. We NEED Plastic Bags. Contact Andrea Boschert or Michelle Peters with any questions. Clothing Closet: If you have anything to drop for clothing, please call Michelle Peters at 701-578-4285.

Food Pantry & Clothing Closet Dates: 4th Wednesday of every month from 6:30-7:30 pm.



We express heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for your continuing generosity and giving!

GLENBURN NEWS

Congratulations Graduates!!! We will be celebrating our graduates on May 16th at 11am service. Our graduates this year are: Hannah Hagen, Garrett Hansen, Jackie HarriSon, Hunter Heit, Riley Peters, McKenna Rolland, Blaine Stevens, and Victoria Zurcher.

Confirmation Classes: Our last Confirmation Class will be May 5th @ 4-5:30pm GLB. Make sure to grab some candy from the secretary's bowl! 😊

Ruth Circle: Come and strengthen your faith and friendship! We will meet May 18th at 2pm GLB

LANSFORD NEWS

Congratulations Graduate!!! We will be celebrating our graduate on May 9th. Our graduate this year is Amber Undlin.

Confirmation Classes: Our last Confirmation Class will be May 5th @ 4-5:30pm GLB. Make sure to grab some candy from the secretary's bowl! 😊

Congratulations Confirmands: Confirmation Sunday is May 16th. Carson Nett and Bobby Zumbaum will be affirming their faith. Please come and celebrate with them.

Matching Funds: Don't forget about our matching funds challenge we have going on throughout the month of April and May. Each month, the funds that are raised above and beyond the monthly requirement of \$3000 will be matched up to a total of \$5000. So please prayerfully consider giving a larger gift during the month of May. An update will be coming to the bulletin and Facebook about how we did in April.

PARISH NEWS

Secretary Hours: Our parish secretary, Ramanda Nash, will be in the office from 12 pm ish - 3 pm ish on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and 10 am ish -2 pm ish on Thursdays. If you need anything from the Church office outside of office hours, please feel free to call or text Pastor at (701) 833-1701.

Confirmation Worship Responsibilities:		
	Lansford 9am	Glenburn 11am
May 2	Gracie Boschert	Bobby Zumbaum
May 9	Jayden Nelson	Reid Morlock
May 16	Caleb Clementich	Cole Schlag
May 23	Gracie Boschert	Carson Nett
May 30	Jayden Nelson	Bobby Zumbaum

Prayer Ventures for May 2021

1 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the Rocky Mountain, Northeastern Minnesota, Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana, Pacifica and Greater Milwaukee synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

2 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the Oregon and Arkansas-Oklahoma synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

3 Throughout Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, give thanks for the rich heritage, gifts, cultures and contributions to our nation and church of our Asian and Pacific Islander neighbors and siblings in Christ. Ask God to bless and further the work and witness of ELCA Asian and Pacific Islander Ministries and the ELCA's Association of Asians and Pacific Islanders.

4 Pray for an end to the gun violence that has become commonplace in our country, and ask God for the wisdom, will and courage to advocate and work for laws and solutions that honor and protect God's gift of life, for the sake of our neighbors and communities.

5 Pray that we will be fearless, selfless and generous in our love and concern for one another because of the love God has revealed to us through Jesus Christ and the work of the Spirit within us.

6 Pray for leaders of outdoor ministries and congregational summer ministries as they ponder how to safely share the gospel, nurture faith, and serve children, youth and families this summer.

7 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the New Jersey and Sierra Pacific synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

8 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the Southeastern Minnesota Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

9 There is so much talk of love in the gospel message! Ask God to help us live fully the love we know in Jesus Christ, and pray that it will shine brightly in the world so all may know that God is love.

10 Ask God to grant an extra measure of faith, strength, hope, resourcefulness and resilience to those recovering and rebuilding after natural disasters and severe weather. Pray that we will listen carefully to them and respond helpfully to their immediate and long-term needs.

11 "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises," for God has done amazing and wonderful things!



12 Pray that we will not forget nations or regions where conflict, civil war or other turmoil spread violence, displacement, suffering and despair; pray that leaders will seek just and peaceful solutions and reconciliation and attend to people needing safety and relief. Ask the Spirit to help us respond to these crises, especially through supporting Lutheran Disaster Response, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.

13 *Ascension of Our Lord* Give thanks that we have not been left alone in the world to fend for ourselves, but that Jesus gives us purpose and that the Spirit equips and guides us to participate in God's work in the world.

14 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the Northern Great Lakes, East-Central Wisconsin, Southwestern Washington and Saint Paul Area synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

15 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the Northwest Washington, North/West Lower Michigan and Southeast Michigan synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

16 *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* Set aside time each day this week to join Christians around the world as we pray for unity. Let this year's theme verse, from the Gospel of John, inspire you: "Abide in my love, and you will bear much fruit."

17 Give thanks and praise to God that, through the Spirit, we find words to proclaim the good news of Jesus, that all who listen may believe and experience new life, joy and freedom in Christ.

18 Thank God for our special relationship with the United Church of Christ, a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997. Pray for the church, its members and its leaders, and pray that together we will find strength and new resources for the work of sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor, especially in these uncertain and challenging times.

19 Ask God to renew our self-discipline, patience, empathy, and spirit of community concern and care as we continue to fight the spread of COVID-19 and respond to its impact.

20 Give thanks that, at some point in our lives, the Spirit opened our hearts and minds to the testimony and invitation of our siblings in Christ, that we might be baptized into a new life in Jesus, follow the ways and commandments of God and experience the joy of eternal life.

21 Remember in prayer the leaders, voting members and others gathering online for the assemblies of the Northwestern Minnesota, Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast and Southeastern Iowa synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them in choosing leaders, proclaiming the gospel, growing the church, serving our neighbor and doing God's work in an ever-changing world.

22 Pray for teachers and school staff who continue to adapt to changing education dynamics and requirements because of the pandemic. Ask God to grant them wisdom, creativity, patience, strength and renewed passion for their vocation as they serve students of all ages and abilities.



23 *Day of Pentecost* Praise God that the Spirit is present in our lives, helping us remain faithful, equipping us for our baptismal journey, inspiring us to share the gospel, filling us with love and compassion, and guiding us in everything we do.

24 Give thanks for the gifts, traditions, perspectives, insights and leaders of our global companions, which enrich our church, ministries and leaders.

25 The Spirit of God moves and works throughout the world, through every language, culture, human gift and life experience, to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and of God's amazing love for humankind. Praise God!

26 Pray that the Spirit will renew and equip us for the difficult work of understanding, bridging and mending the differences and schisms in our communities and nation. Pray that God will make us bold in our witness as people of faith, yet humble, empathetic and caring as we listen to and talk with one another.

27 Give thanks for the Spirit, which helps us when we are weak, sustains our faith when we are uncertain and pleads for us "with sighs too deep for words" when we aren't sure how to speak with God.

28 Mission Builders is a ministry related to the ELCA that provides opportunities for retired people to use their skills and gifts to help congregations, schools, camps and social ministry organizations construct or improve their facilities. Give thanks for Mission Builder volunteers who travel the country to serve the church, share their faith and inspire others to service.

29 As we return to restaurants and other places where we socialize around food, remember in prayer those who suffer hunger and food insecurity across our nation and world. Ask the Spirit to strengthen our commitment to end hunger, advocate for our neighbors in need and bring hope and relief.

30 *Trinity Sunday* Pray that God will help us live with and value the Holy Trinity and other mysteries of our faith that far exceed our ability to comprehend.

31 *Memorial Day* Remember, mourn and give thanks for men and women in the military who gave their lives for justice, peace and the freedom of our country and all nations.



>> 1 PETER 1:6 <<

**CONGRATS
to our Grads!!!!**

Love God. Love People.



"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39)

In July 2020, the Western North Dakota Synod was the first ELCA synod to hold an online only, all digital Synod Assembly. It was quite the undertaking! By the grace of God, we did it. We met to pray, to worship, to study scripture, to hear about the good work God is doing through our church, and to elect our next Bishop. To be honest, in so many ways, last year's Synod Assembly feels like a lifetime ago.

In just a few short weeks, we will gather again in Synod Assembly. And we will once again pray together, worship, study scripture, hear about the good work God is doing through our church, and elect leadership to serve on Synod Council, ELCA Church Council, synod committees, and as voting members at the 2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly. We will also be invited to attend complimentary receptions to get to know one another a little better (Thursday evening) and celebrate the incredible staff our synod is blessed to have (Saturday morning). Our gathering as Synod Assembly will look different again this year. But it will still be sacred and holy time.

The 2021 Western North Dakota Synod Assembly will focus our hearts and minds upon Jesus' command to love our neighbor. To love your neighbor as yourself. Period. Seems simple enough. The past fifteen months or so in our life together as God's children have proven just how hard Jesus' commandment is to live out along our faith journey.

As we gather – on-line and in-person – we will celebrate the many ways God has worked through us to love our neighbor, we will confess the many times we have failed to love our neighbor, and we will seek the Holy Spirit's guidance as God calls us into new ministry opportunities to love our neighbor in our congregations, across the synod, and around the world.

Whether you are attending Synod Assembly on-line or in-person this year, I look forward to seeing you soon!

God's peace,
Bishop Craig

Synod Assembly Information

2021 Western North Dakota Synod Assembly
Grand Hotel in Minot and Online

Friday, June 4, 2021 – All plenary sessions and banquet

Complimentary celebrations hosted by Synod Council on Thursday evening, June 3 and Saturday morning, June 5.

Voting members will be able to choose between participating in-person or online. For more information and to register as a voting member, visit:

<http://wndsynod.org/synod-assembly/>

No in-person visitor registrations will be allowed due to capacity restrictions. All are invited to follow the assembly live on Facebook on June 4 at: <https://www.facebook.com/wndsynod>

Registration Deadline: May 15

Late Registrations accepted through May 30 (add \$50 late fee)

No Registrations will be accepted after May 30

Hunger Ride will be June 1-3 and will journey around the Minot area, bicycling to raise awareness and funds for ELCA World Hunger.

Contact Mike Olson at 701-240-0770 or mikeolson20@gmail.com

What is Mission Support? What is a synod?

The term, "Mission Support", has been used for over thirty years. Yet, in some congregations there is still confusion about what it is. Some congregations use other terms, such as "benevolences" or "missions" for the shared offerings they send to the synod.

When individuals and families make a financial gift or offering to their congregation, the congregation sets aside a portion of that gift for Mission Support. The congregation then sends the Mission Support dollars to the synod office, and the synod office sends a some of these dollars to the churchwide organization. These dollars flow back to members and congregations through the synodical and churchwide ministries.

What is the synod office? The English word "synod" comes from two Greek words, syn hodos, which literally mean "a way together." This word points to the fact that we are part of an interdependent church. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) has three expressions: nearly 10,000 congregations, 65 regional synods, and the churchwide organization. The Western North Dakota Synod is a regional expression of the ELCA. (The synod office is located at 1000 Tacoma Ave., Suite 300, in Bismarck.)

Our synod covers nearly 2/3 of the state, has 162 congregations, and four outdoor ministry sites. We are divided geographically into 7 conferences, each represented by a dean who serves as liaison between the bishop's office and the congregations in the area.

Your offerings and Mission Support make it possible for synod staff to offer care of congregations, offer a candidacy process for new Pastors and Deacons, walk with congregations in the call process, and enables the Bishop to be able to support congregations in crisis if needed.

In 2020, congregations of the Western North Dakota Synod shared \$1,063,396.29 in offerings. These offerings were shared in the following manner:

- 47% with ELCA Churchwide,
- 40% with synod ministries, operations, and facilities,
- 9% with Lutheran Campus Ministry, and
- 4% with Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota

Thank you for your generosity, your financial gifts make ministry possible.

Faith Simonieg, Assistant to the Bishop for Stewardship and Generosity

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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2 LFD Worship 9am GLB Worship 11am	3	4	5 Confirmation 4-5:30pm GLB	6	7	8
9 LFD Worship 9am GLB Worship 11am Mother's Day	10	11	12 GLB High School Senior Banquet	13	14	15
16 LFD Worship 9am Confirmation Sunday GLB Worship 11am Senior Sunday	17	18 Ruth Circle 2pm	19 GLB School Staff Banquet	20	21	22
23 LFD Worship 9am GLB Worship 11am	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 LFD Worship 9am GLB Worship 11am	31 Memorial Day					

Metigoshe Ministries is Adventure Anchored in Christ where people experience and celebrate the gifts of God in a life together.

Metigoshe

monthly update



May 2021



Mother The Camp/Amazon Wishlist

This summer we will have hundreds of hungry campers! Help fill your Bible camp's pantry by "mothering our camp." All of the items listed here are items we use a lot at camp. Your donations add up to a significant cost savings. Drop off your items at the Christian Center, summer camp at Pelican Lake or at your church in the month of May.

We also have a wish list on Amazon. All items are delivered straight to camp and it is through Amazon Smile as well. To access our wish list, go to: smile.amazon.com/charitylists, select Metigoshe Ministries for the shipping address, and put your name and address in the "Gift Message" so we can say "Thank you!". Then check out as normal! Thank you for "mothering" Camp Metigoshe.

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| breakfast cereal | chocolate chips | drink mix |
| old-fashioned oatmeal | peanut butter/jelly | napkins/paper towel |
| tomato sauce | canned fruit | toilet paper |
| canned vegetables | pancake syrup | dish soap |
| brown/white sugar | honey | mosquito spray |
| powdered sugar | mayonnaise | band aids |
| flour | pickles | sunscreen |
| gluten-free baking mixes | Hershey Kisses® | permanent markers |
| pasta | s'mores ingredients | |



2021 Camp Update

Camp is approaching quickly and programs are filling up! Make sure you get registered soon! Learn more about each program and dates at <https://metigosheministries.com/camp-programs/>

Camp Work Day June 5

9:00 am at Pelican Lake

Shape Up The Shop

More Ways to Help Camp Metigoshe

Shape Up the Shop! has been instrumental in getting our camp shop "up to speed". We are thankful for the long list of items already provided – and hope you'll share something from our list again.

Our list spans a range from small and simple to large and expensive. Whatever you can provide will be appreciated!

You can bring your items to Camp or the Christian Center, or you can call the office so we can find a way to get your gift up to us.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> drill press | <input type="checkbox"/> air compressor (60 gallon) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> work gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> socket sets (standard & metric) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> garden carts | <input type="checkbox"/> wrenches (standard & metric) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> kerosene | <input type="checkbox"/> leaf blower (battery power preferred) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ATV | <input type="checkbox"/> cordless drills (DeWalt or Milwaukee preferred) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> golf carts | <input type="checkbox"/> planer (hand & bench) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> floor jack | <input type="checkbox"/> paint brushes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chain saws | <input type="checkbox"/> paint rollers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> rolls of screen | <input type="checkbox"/> paint trays |
| <input type="checkbox"/> peg board hooks | <input type="checkbox"/> paint drop cloths |

Annual Quilt Auction

10 am Saturday, June 26 at Christian Center

Once spring 'has finally sprung' the Metigoshe Ministries Quilt Auction is never far behind. Saturday, June 26th is the date for the auction at the Christian Center. Starting at 10:00 am, we will auction off all the quilts made by Metigoshe Ministries' member churches and their friends. Simultaneously, we will hold a Silent Auction of handmade items and artwork. Coffee will be served throughout the day and a delicious lunch will be available for purchase.

If you can't attend the quilt auction in person, join us online to take part in all the fun. You can view the auction live and place your bids just like you are there.

Quilts will be available to view on June 15. Stop by the Christian Center and make a list of all the quilts you would like to bid on at the auction on June 26!

For more information, watch our social media pages and our website at www.metigosheministries.com.

Please go to www.MetigosheMinistries.com or call 701.263.4788 to register for a retreat.

