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Our mission is to share the love of Christ with each other, our community, and the world.

The Parish Internet

Our Saviour's Lutheran of Holway
Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m.

*"I will pour out my Spirit
on all people."*

Joel 2:28, NIV



June 2024

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July Newsletter
Deadline is June 20

June 2024 Calendar

Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m.

- June 2 Worship w/communion, Barb Krug, SAM
- June 5-6 WELCA Retreat at Luther Park, Chetek
- June 7-8 Northwest Synod Assembly at UW-Eau Claire
- June 9 Worship w/communion, Pastor Bob Giese
Honoring milestone birthdays
- June 11 Church Council @ Our Saviour's, 6:00 p.m.
- June 16 Father's Day, Worship w/communion, Barb Krug, SAM
- June 23 Worship w/communion, Barb Krug, SAM
- June 30 Joint Worship with St. Paul's, 9:00 a.m.,
held at the Medford City Park

INCOME - Our Saviour's	April	YTD 2024		
General	5,271.84	20,104.27		
Hunger	360.00	1,475.00		
Sunday School/VBS/Camp		1,000.00		
Change the World/Special Offering		733.10		
Scrip	2,100.00	7,030.00		
TOTAL INCOME	7,731.84	30,342.37		
Expenses:	April	YTD	Monthly/Budget	Year/Budget
Benevolence	209.36	800.62	250.00	3,000.00
Hunger In/Out	360.00	1,475.00	0.00	
Special Offering In/Out		733.10	0.00	
Internet Service	61.94	247.76	62.50	750.00
Phone	51.58	208.51	60.42	725.00
Electricity	182.37	731.02	166.67	2,000.00
LP Gas	232.00	928.00	333.33	4,000.00
Dumpster - GFL	70.83	193.98	41.67	500.00
Holding Tanks		0.00	20.83	250.00
Snow Plowing	131.25	356.25	100.00	1,200.00
Janitor Supplies	12.54	89.24	16.67	200.00
Clear Country Water Solutions		45.00	18.75	225.00
Building Repairs/Maintenance	20.00	685.38	83.33	1,000.00
Worship/Devotionals/Resources	84.89	397.77	50.00	600.00
Organ/Piano Maintenance		0.00	25.00	300.00
Insurance	447.66	1,790.64	375.00	4,500.00
Office & Computer Supplies/parts/ink	7.99	93.28	41.67	500.00
Postage and Stamps		68.00	16.67	200.00
Computer Maintenance/Repair		175.00	16.67	200.00
Treasurer Supplies		0.00	8.33	100.00
Newsletter Postage	38.21	146.47	37.50	450.00
Copier Lease	122.14	493.75	125.00	1,500.00
Supply Pastors	450.18	2,161.61	600.00	7,200.00
Conference Dues		0.00	3.33	40.00
Assembly Delegates	500.00	500.00	12.50	150.00
Joint Account		500.00	41.67	500.00
Payroll-Secretary-Property Manager	609.48	2,826.85	650.00	7,800.00
Website		0.00	12.50	150.00
Music	225.00	1,050.00	325.00	3,900.00
Leadership Training		0.00	83.33	1,000.00
Education (Adult, Confirmation, Sunday School, VBS)	169.16	404.16	83.33	1,000.00
Background Checks		0.00	8.33	100.00
Camping Funds		0.00	20.83	250.00
Pastorial Admin	200.00	800.00	200.00	2,400.00
Miscellaneous- Special Events		26.18	41.67	500.00
Scrip Cards	1,344.00	5,952.00	0.00	
VANCO Charge	5.95	23.00	0.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,536.53	23,902.57	3,890.83	47,190.00
Checking Account:			Savings Account:	7,893.31
Camping Fund	1,273.54		Deposit	137.40
Sunday School/VBS	1,572.53		Total	8,030.71
General	41,338.09			
TOTAL	44,184.16	<i>Submitted By:</i>	<i>Nancie Adams,</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>



April 2024

Our Saviour's April Financial Report: 2024

EXPLANATIONS:

This report shows the normal, ongoing bills that are paid on a regular basis each month. I have detailed the Income, as well as the line items expenses. Nancie

Income Section:

General	\$5271.84 (April checking acc interest added \$37.84)
Hunger	\$360.00
Scrip	\$2100.00

TOTAL INCOME: **\$7731.84**

Expense Section

Benevolence	\$209.36(to NW Synod of WI General Mission Support – 4%)
Hunger	\$360.00(to Northwest Synod of WI for ELCA World Hunger)
Internet Service (Clark Electric)	\$61.94
Phone (TDS)	\$51.58
Electricity (Taylor Electric)	\$182.37
Dumpster (GFL Environmental)	\$70.83
LP Gas (Budget-Medford Coop)	\$232.00
Insurance (Church Mutual)	\$447.66
Newsletter Postage	\$38.21
Payroll	\$609.48(watchman \$80.00--sec wage\$453.75)
Church Administrator	\$200.00
Supply Pastors	\$450.18
Music (Organist)	\$225.00
Copier Lease (E.O. Johnson)	\$122.14
VANCO charge	\$5.95
Office Supplies	\$7.99(newsletter seals)
Worship Supplies	\$84.89(Easter cross supplies)
Building Repairs/Maintenance	\$20.00(building repair labor)
Janitor Supplies	\$12.54(air fresheners)
Script Cards	\$1344.00 (Co. Market)
Snowplowing	\$131.25(March)
Assembly Delegates	\$500.00
Education	\$169.16(confirmation robes)

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$5536.53**

Savings Account: **\$8030.71**

Mission Investment Fund: Term Investment Fixed 4 Year – 3847 Rate 1.49%
YTD Interest Earned Matures 9/24/2025

12/31/2023	Balance:	\$16686.49
Interest 03/31/2024		<u>\$62.06</u>
	New Balance	\$16748.55

This is the letter I received from my grandson, who is a 2024 graduate of Medford High School. Of course, it brought tears to my eyes and made my heart swell. All the things we do as parents and grandparents and all the times we become frustrated in those roles are meaningful to those we love. Cherish every moment you have with your kids and grandkids. Make memories and know that you are their role model. You are more important than they can express at times. You may or may not get a letter like this, and I certainly didn't expect one, but know that God has placed you in their lives as He placed them in your lives for a reason. Let the light of Christ shine in you so that your family knows of your unwavering faith. It may be the beacon that someone needs. God's blessings to our graduates and to the families that have gotten them this far.

“Dear Grandma,

I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for everything you've done for me. You are the light of my life, and I honestly don't know what I would do without your compassion and understanding.

Your endless love and support have always been my guiding star. You have a special way of knowing just what to say and do to make everything better. Your kindness and wisdom have shaped who I am today and, for that, I am forever grateful.

I also want to thank you for helping me reconnect with my faith. There was a time when I started to drift away and lose sight of what truly matters. But your gentle guidance and unwavering faith brought me back to God, and now my faith is stronger than ever. I feel a deep sense of peace and purpose thanks to you.

Thank you for being my rock, my inspiration, and my closest confidante. I am blessed to have you in my life, and I look forward to many more memories and moments shared together.

Your favorite oldest grandson,
Andrew”

A “shout-out” to my youngest son, Dalton, for graduating from NTC Police Academy and receiving the Academic Excellence award. Lisa Kopp was the first person I thought of when his name was called. She challenged him in High School to complete his assignments when

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he would rather not have. Her dedication to our students shows in her work and the work that her students are doing. Thanks to all of our teachers!

Barb Krug - SAM

June 2024 Worship Assistants

DATE	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23
MESSAGE	Barb Krug, SAM	Pastor Bob Giese	Barb Krug, SAM	Barb Krug, SAM
LITURGIST	Heidi Bower-Kesling	Carol Lekies	Marion Nernberger	Bev Utke
COMMUNION	Paula Stroinski	Carol Lekies	Paula Stroinski	Heidi Bower-Kesling
USHERS	Mike & Heidi Kesling	Jason Borman Barb Krug	Paula Stroinski Echo Buehler	Jason Borman
COUNTER	Heidi Bower-Kesling	Mike Kesling	Paula Stroinski	Mike Kesling
SCRIP	Nanci Adams			
ACOLYTE	Savanna Brunner	Xander Cynor	Stormie Dums	Tucker Kunst

June Altar Guild: Heidi Bower-Kesling and Adele Adams

For pastoral care emergencies, call the following:
 Barb Krug: 715-965-5696, barbkrug@charter.net
 Pastor Bob Giese: 847-899-7122, rjgiese@gmail.com
 Pastor Nancy Amacher: 715-223-5316, revnia10@gmail.com
 Pastor Elizabeth Bier: 715255-0013, revelizabeth011@gmail.com

Mark your calendars for the joint worship service with St. Paul's on **Sunday, June 30, at 9:00 a.m.** at the Medford City Park. A potluck picnic will follow the service. Please bring a dish to pass.



Nancy Jones has ordered music that is appropriate for the bells we have. Andrew will work on getting a bell choir started.

The Joint Rummage Sale at St. Paul's was a huge success. The proceeds were given to CMWJ to further their work in our community.

The book study at St. Paul's is completed.

The Video Study, "How Lutheran's Interpret the Bible," is very interesting. We meet at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday at St. Paul's. Anyone is welcome, even if you haven't attended so far. Each session is a separate lesson.

A reminder that the joint worship service will be held on the fifth Sunday, June 30, at the Medford City Park beginning at 9:00 a.m. St. Paul's will have more information coming.

No dates have been set for watching the CHOSEN series. Mike will continue planning this.

New Business:

The outside lights on the east carport are dim. Barb will make inquiries as to what can be done to brighten the area.

Paula will be donating a wall-mounted first aid kit for the kitchen.

Bylaws review: Mike and Barb reviewed Chapters 11 & 12 and will have changes ready for the council to review in June.

Reminders: Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, beginning at 6:00 p.m., June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paula and seconded by Nancie. Motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Barb Krug

Our Saviour's Council Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2024

The re-scheduled meeting was called to order by Mike Kesling at 6:34 p.m. Present: Nancie Adams, Mike Kessling, Andrew Krug, Paula Stroinski, Jason Borman, and Barb Krug.

Mike opened with a short devotion, and our mission statement was recited.

The agenda was approved with a motion by Jason and a second by Paula.

The April 2024 Council Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Jason, and a second by Nancie.

Parish Secretary's Report: Nancy's written report was reviewed.

Treasurer's Report: The April Treasurer's Report was approved with a motion by Jason and a second by Andrew.

Joint Treasurer's Report: No report at this time. The transition is going well with Brenda and Dawn working together.

Education & Youth: Sunday School and Confirmation are done for this school year. VBS will be held on July 23rd at St. Paul's.

Property: The air conditioning unit was installed May 23, 2024. The driveway should be sealed in the next week or so. Mike will measure and check to see what materials are needed to put a handrail on the north side of the church. He will bring an estimate back next month

WELCA: Joint Conference Retreat on June 5 & 6 at Chetek.

Worship: Mike will be testing the headset to see if it will work with our sound system. Nancy Jones is having a hard time filling the Worship Assistant schedule each month. Anyone that can help, please sign up early so she doesn't have to constantly be reaching out to members.

Old Business:

Community Mission for Jesus – Sub sandwich sale on August 14th. Mark your calendars.

The synod assembly is June 7 & 8. Jo Giese and Andrew Krug are our representatives. Pastor Bob Giese, Carol Lekies, and Barb Krug will be attending as well. Check out the Synod website and let these people know your thoughts on the nominees for the bishop. Elections will be held at the assembly.

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Thank you to the following people that have helped make our Holy Land Tour possible.

Jason Borman
Echo Buehler
Mattie Graff
Kaci Klemm
Adam Krug
Josh Krug
Jina Lange
Cora Neitzel

Meagan Neitzel
Brenda & Todd Nernberger
Jessica Nernberger
Marian Nernberger
Ed Rowe
Paula Stroinski
Liselle Weiler
Nikki Worden

- Our parent volunteers along the tour
- All those that helped clean up
- Ackeret's for cardboard
- Perrin Flooring for our temple pillars
- Our Saviour's and St. Paul's Sunday School teachers & students
- Nancy Jones for her prayers during the stressful times



Congratulations to the following youth who were confirmed on Sunday, May 5, 2024



Back row: Austin Crabb, Dawson Fox, Brayden Larson
Front row: Chelsea Dick, Bret Larson, Barb Krug-SAM, Ava Adams, and Kingston Fox

Congratulations to this year's high school graduates:

Preston Adams, Meadow Beyer, Braylon Fox, Kadance Fox, Logan Kawa, Andrew Krug, Coy Loucks, Caleb Marion, and Cody Weiler.

They were honored by their church family during the Sunday, May 19, church service.



Minutes WELCA Meeting, May 1, 2024

At 6:50 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Echo Buehler. In attendance were Carol Lekies, Juanita Krug, Marian Nernberger, Paula Stroinski, Karen Frosch and Barb Krug. The meeting opened with the purpose statement.

Secretary's report: Juanita Krug made a motion to accept the report as read with Paula Stroinski seconding it. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer, Marian Nernberger, reported a balance of \$5145.44 in the WELCA account. Expenses for the month included a \$50.00 offering at the WELCA Spring Rally hosted by Our Saviour's. Half of the offering will stay within the conference and the other half sent to the synod. Other expenses included rally registration for Our Saviour's women to attend and reimbursement to Heidi Bower-Kesling for rally supplies. Karen Frosch made a motion to accept the report, Paula Stroinski seconded. Motion passed.

Stewardship report: During April, not much was going on. The sewing group plans to meet on May 7 to tie quilts. If you would like to help contact Karen Frosch.

Old business: WELCA Spring Rally: the food (baked potato bar/salad bar) and program were excellent. Karen Frosch took left over potatoes and in-kind offerings to The Taylor House, Medford. Members were disappointed that no one from St. Paul's, Medford and St. Paul's, Curtiss were in attendance.

Conference retreat, Luther Park, Chetek, will be June 5-6. If you are interested in attending, contact Barb Krug. The theme is "Wonderful Worth of a Woman."

Honoring high school graduates, Sunday, May 19. Caleb Marion (Gilman), Andrew Krug, Logan Kawa, Braylon Fox, Preston Adams,

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Kadance Fox, Meadow Beyer, Coy Loucks, and Cody Weiler. Card bags will be in the fellowship hall.

Honoring milestone birthdays, June 9. Echo Buehler will get card bags for Howard Lavin & Annabelle Neitzel who celebrate their 90th birthdays this year. Cupcakes for the event provided by WELCA. Paula Stroinski will pick up 6 dozen cupcakes for fellowship following worship.

New business:

Covenant Center: Echo Buehler made a motion to donate \$500.00 for refurbishing the Covenant Center at Luther Park. Seconded by Carol Lekies. Motion passed.

Bishop's Initiative: A motion was made by Paula Stroinski to donate \$200.00 to the Bishop's Initiative: Water Is Life. Carol Lekies seconded. Motion passed. The money will be used for a solar-powered deep drilled well project with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malawi.

Garage Sale: May 9-11 is St. Paul's, Medford, garage sale. Accepting donations May 6 -7. Proceeds from the sale are for Community Mission With Jesus of Medford.

There will not be meetings in June and July. The next meeting will be August 7. Heidi Bower-Kesling is the hostess.

Marian Nernberger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Juanita Krug seconded. At 7:40 p.m. the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Carol Lekies, secretary.

Community Mission With Jesus Fundraiser

The Community Mission With Jesus group is holding a fund-raising event in conjunction with the July 4th activities scheduled at the Medford City Park. The CMWJ will be selling soda and water out of the main concession area and will be selling glow sticks during the events prior to the fireworks display.

Here's where you can help. If you are willing to sign up for a shift to sell soda/water, please contact Theresa Gretzinger or Nancy Jones. If any of you are Thrivent members, the CMWJ is looking for members who would be willing to submit a funding application for this fund-raising event to be put toward the cost of purchasing the soda/water. Thrivent requires a member to submit the request. Please contact Dave Hruby or Val Bach if you are a Thrivent member and willing to sponsor an application for this event.