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## FIRST LUTHERAN FOCUS

May 2020

### INTERIM PASTOR UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey will be providing interim services at First Lutheran Church beginning on May 1, 2020. Pastor Melinda will be working  $\frac{3}{4}$  time in her call at our church. Pastor Burton Everist will continue his call, but transition May 1<sup>st</sup> into  $\frac{1}{4}$  time. The pastors will be working remotely during the COVID-19 crisis but will hold "office hours" from 9 AM-4 PM during the days listed below. They may also be contacted at any time for emergencies. The pastors' remote office hours and contact information are as follows:

**Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey:** Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursdays, Sundays  
Cell (preferred): (563) 581-9965

**Pastor Burton Everist:** Mondays  
Cell (preferred): (563) 564-1279  
Home: (641) 201-1947

### NEW SOUND SYSTEM

Thanks to the WCDA grant, First Lutheran will have an new sound system for the sanctuary in the near future. Troy and Mark will be meeting with the sound company representative within the next couple weeks to finalize the details and order the equipment.

The Lord is risen! Alleluia! In these times of change with Covid-19 one thing is certain, the Lord is with us. Although the church building is closed, the church, the body of Christ, is still present in our community and our world. Starting a new call during social distancing has challenges but I hope that through e-mail, Facebook, video we will have an opportunity to get to know one another and continue worship and to serve our neighbor.

Blessings,  
Pastor Melinda

# INTERIM PASTORS' PAGE

We are still walking through the wilderness of COVID-19, but Christ has gone before us, walks with us and follows after us. We are learning powerfully the depth of the Psalmist's prayer: "My soul longs, yea faints for the courts of the Lord." Our welcoming building means more to us now, but more so the welcome we give each other as member of the Body of Christ.

- The council's establishing our Shepherd Ministry has reached out to try to make sure no member is forgotten. It is working well!
- Services are available on Face Book (**First Lutheran Church and Sunday School Northwood**) for Sunday worship and the Holden Evening Prayer with different readings each week may be viewed as well. We did have one baptism, keeping the limit of 10 (alas with no children present), masked, and keeping our distance. It may be seen as part of the service for Sunday the 26th.
- Many have expressed appreciation for the programs through emails and conversations. However, consider using the comment button on Face Book to say a word about the service. Whole days are put into each service as well as sermon preparation time so it is important to get feed back to learn whether it is time well spent or not.
- Mercy is no longer calling pastors when members are hospitalized so it is doubly necessary for you to let the office or pastors know you welcome a phone visit. Please let us know.
- With this issue of Focus we have said good bye to Pastor Jack and we welcome Pastor Melinda.

God provided her to us just in time! Welcome, Pastor Melinda!  
BE! (Pastor Burton E.)

## LETTER FROM ELCA BISHOP

Dear partner in ministry,

Weeks may have passed since you last walked in the doors of your congregation and worshiped, face-to-face, with your community of faith. To be sure, being the body of Christ looks and feels differently than it ever has before.

**Despite all of this, we are called to be church — together.** The ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) looks different now, but it has not stopped. Nor have the needs of our communities and the world. Our church and its leaders continue to minister to its members, to those who are hurting and searching for peace, and to those in need.

The congregations and ministries of this church rely on your weekly offerings and gifts. Without in-person worship services for many weeks or even months, the financial impact could be devastating.

**Please continue to give to your congregation and give regularly.** Your congregation and its leaders continue to minister to your community of faith. This ministry relies on your weekly offerings. Find out how you can continue your pledge or regular offering though online giving, automatic monthly giving or mail.

I know that, for many of us, this is a time of uncertainty and financial hardship. However, for those of you who are in a position to do more, the needs are great.

In the United States, unemployment has soared. We are already seeing rising demands on our food pantries, homeless shelters and social services. Around the world, millions of people living in poverty are facing this pandemic without reliable access to sanitation and health care.

With congregations and ministries across the country, and a network of companion churches and partners in over 70 countries around the world, we anticipate this crisis will affect us all. Your gifts to the ELCA's [COVID-19 Response Fund](#) will provide funds to the ministries of the ELCA most in need and best positioned to help. This includes our congregations as well as local and churchwide ministries capable of reaching and assisting those in need. **If you are able, please help with a gift today.**

I have been reflecting on the words of Peter: "Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received" (1 Peter 4:10). Now is a time when we need one another. Now is a time to live and act as faithful people of God.

Be of good courage, dear church, and remember that Christ is with us now and always.

In Christ,  
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton  
Presiding Bishop, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

# YOUTH NEWS

Not much to report as far as youth is concerned right now. We continue to reach out to one another over social media and have our weekly meetings together on Zoom. With school recently announcing that they are not going back this school year, here is everyone in Jr. and Sr. High that made it to Youth at least 50% of the time this school year.

Andrew Breitsprecher, Emma Logeman, Thomas Block, Taylor Rodemeyer, Olly Treslan, Riley Treslan, Sarah McCormick, Anthoni Martin, Dylon Freerkson, Bella Hoch, Ian Husske, Logan Mayberry, Nicholas Hanson, Alex Follmuth, Tyler Wunderlich, Tyler Husske, Jason Hanson, Dante Sims, Eli Mix, Damon Reyerson, Madalynn Hanson, Emma Hengesteg, Hannah Craft, Ben Yezek, Colby Eskildsen, Evan Lorenzen, Hadley Buenzow, Jordan Teepe, Kylie Robinson, Kooper Julseth, Marisa Halbach, Andrew Grunhovd, Collin Kuhlman, Brody Paulsen, Haddie Hanson

## Two Church Committees Need 2-3 Members

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

It has come to the attention of the Church Council that 2-3 members are needed for the Fellowship Committee and the Mission Ministry Committee (formerly called Social Cm.) of First Lutheran Church. If it is in your heart to follow the church mission (That All May Know the Love of God) in service to others, please call the church office to join one of these committees. 641-324-2984

Both committees have a Team Leader, Recorder, and Council Liaison (Janelle Johnson) and all on church committees are members of the church. It is desired that members will serve 1-3 yrs. or more.

Fellowship Committee:

This committee currently has three members (and one helper). The members are Leila Gangstad, Judy Stevens, and Janelle Johnson (council liaison). It is desired that 2-3 more people join to complete this committee as a whole.

Description of the types of things this committee may choose to engage in through sharing time with one another (fellowship): (although at this time of "Stay at Home" the committee will think creatively)

Serve receptions - such as....Pastor farewells, welcoming new staff, special dinners or brunches, choir concert reception yearly, etc.

Craft Get Together, Game Night, Caroling, Bike Ride, Fly Kites, Coffee after Church, Sack Lunches for youth events, etc.

Mission Ministry Committee: (formerly called Social Cm.)

This committee currently has two members: Rose Fredericks and Janelle Johnson (council liaison). It is desired that 3 more people join this committee to complete this committee as a whole.

Types of things this committee has engaged in recently:

Shepherd Plan for congregation, Noisy Offering at Home Plan, Monthly Mission Bulletin Boards (in hallway near narthex).

Examples of possible endeavors in the future (if committee decides): Christmas Dinner to a needy family, promote church mission projects per month (noisy offerings), Feed My Starving Children, whole church Mission Drives, Mission Trip, etc.

Thank-you for considering the strengthening of our church family by joining a committee. In these times of "Stay Safe" the committees will think creatively so no one is put at risk.

## First Lutheran Missions

January 1– December 31, 2020

Bremwood	\$ 75.00
Operation Christmas Child	\$ 281.86
Youth Fund (Bibles & Catechisms)	\$ 300.00
Caring Tree	\$ 342.86
Meals on Wheels	\$ 181.48
Manna	\$ 1,673.47
Heifer International	\$ 707.79
Lutheran World Relief (Trust Fund)	\$ 7,000.00
Riverside Bible Camp	\$ 139.95
Camperships	\$ 45.00
Good Samaritan Fund	\$ 1058.55
Lutheran Services	\$ 143.32
Total	\$ 11,999.28



## Mission Project for May

Lutheran Retirement Home Auxiliary

Assisting with needs outside their general budget.

# First Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

March, 1, 2020

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We Assemble in God's Name

Shana Brunsvold, Mitch Hanson, MaryJo Senne, Pastor Jack, Tim Knutson, Deb Athey, Janelle Johnson, Nikkole Koenig, Heather Rheingans

We Celebrate our past

- Presidential correspondence
  - \* Stewardship received letter from NE Synod, congregation met goal for year's contribution
  - \* Thank you in Anchor to WCDA for LED Lighting Grant--Shana
- Secretary's Report
  - \* Time change for Mar 18 meeting to 7:30pm
  - \* **MMSP (Deb Athey, 2nd Tim Knutson) to approve minutes of Feb 16, 2020 meeting. Motion passed.**
- Treasurer's Report
  - \* Not available until March 7
- Pastor's report
  - \* Pastor Jack discussed Stewardship Committee, need to hold Stewardship Pledge drive.
    - ◇ ELCA NE Synod has a booklet with step-by-step guidelines for this process
    - ◇ Stewardship committee will lead this process
    - ◇ Consecration Sunday
  - \* Discussed need to align the fiscal and annual year. Needs Special meeting and annual meeting. Will be done in near future.
  - \* Staff evaluations have not taken place due to having interim pastor
    - ◇ Council will need to complete staff evaluations with assistance from Pastor Everist
  - \* ICON system--discussed setting up this system which would operate budget system, mailings, audit features. Church already uses this system, just not currently for budget side. Deb A and Jan and Pastor Jack will look into this further.
  - \* Pastor Jacks report that the FLC Constitution has been reviewed--is considered well-written, compliments to church leadership
  - \* Pastor Jack writing report to Synod on progress at FLC during his interim term here, which ends April 12.

We Present our Offering

- Stewardship--next meeting Thursday Mar 12, 7pm. Mary Jo will attend and report to council
- Worship--next meeting Monday Mar 2, 5pm, Shana & Tim will attend and report
- Youth Representative--no report
- Education--Heather reported that students are preparing for Easter performance, Riverside Kids plan to host last Lenten Meal April 1
- Fellowship & Social Ministry--no continuing resolution exists to define roles for these committees. To add a continuing resolution would take a 2/3 vote of council.
  - \* Janelle will create proposed definition for each resolution
  - \* Volunteers will be sought for each of these committees
- Finance--no report yet
- Property--reports that parsonage project is complete and bills paid. Trees at parsonage may need attention in the future.

Concerns for the present

- Health Ministry--announcement placed in bulletin for 2 weeks, waiting for volunteer response
- Audit for FLC is complete
  - \* General mailing will be sent in April
  - \* Special meeting will be set for August 9, 2020 to vote on aligning annual meeting to match fiscal year.
- Pastoral coverage--Pastor Everist will be in a modified supply pastor contract role after Easter--July.
  - \* If no new Pastor has been called by April, then Pastor Everist's contract will be extended through October.
- Call Committee--has 2 interviews scheduled, 1 in person, 1 virtual in March
- Trust Fund
  - \* **MMSP (Tim Knutson, 2nd MaryJo Senne) FLC Church Council will request Trust Fund to submit financial management report at next annual meeting. Motion passed.**

*Council minutes continued on next page.*

Organ Meetings

- \* Informational Meeting for March 18
  - ◇ **MMSP (Shana Brunsvold, 2nd Deb Athey) Format for March 18 Information meeting will be: 1. 20 min presentation +10 min questions for Dewey Kruger organ proposal, he will be excused when done. 2. 20 min presentation +10min questions for Wicks organ proposal. No voting will take place at this meeting. Motion passed.**

- Lenten Meals

- \* Council will serve supper on March 18
  - ◇ Spaghetti-be there 5:30pm

- Memory Work for confirmation students

- \* 18th Shana & Mitch
- \* 25th Heather & Janelle

- Historian Committee Request--tabled

We Go Out in God's Name

- Communion

- \* Thursday April 9th--Mary Jo, Nikkole
- \* Sunday April 12th--Shana, Heather

- Next Council Meeting--

- \* **MMSP to move next council meeting to April 19. (Shana Brunsvold, 2nd Tim Knutson) Motion passed.**

- Lord's Prayer

- Adjourn

Organ Restoration Informational Meeting Wednesday March 18th following Lenten Service

Special Meeting: Sunday, March 22nd Organ Restoration Committee Proposal/vote

Special Meeting: Sunday, March 29th Dewey Kruger Music Organ Restoration Proposal/vote

### **NOISY OFFERING at HOME**

In these days of "Stay Safe, Stay at Home" we all have to adjust our ways of doing things. So, First Lutheran has designed a new way of continuing with "Noisy Offering".

Here some tips on how to do Noisy Offering in your home. Choose the tip that fits your situation the best....or design your own method!

**Designate a different can (or container) for each month.**

Label each of the cans with the month name and the corresponding mission assigned by 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran. (See mission months below.)

**Choose a mission from the list below** and designate all of your Noisy Offering toward one mission of your choice. Label the can with the mission name.

Kids and youth may love **decorating cans** as a project.

If your family would like to donate decorated cans, drop them off on the church steps outside (north door) for others to pick up in the Conference Room. Even plain undecorated cans would be helpful for this time of Stay at Home Noisy Offerings. The north door of the church is open during office hours.

If you wish to have your Noisy Offering delivered to the church at some point in time, call the office (324-2984) and someone will come and get your can(s) outside your home door. Or, all cans can be brought back to the church when "Stay at Home" is over.

Thanks for keeping our NOISY OFFERINGS active!

**FLC Mission Projects:**

**January** – Riverside Bible Camp

**February** – Good Samaritan Fund (distributed through the Sheriff's Office)

**March** – Lutheran Services of Iowa

**April** – Dayspring Children's School in South Africa (Kim Thorsfeldt Katuta, administrator)

**May** – Lutheran Retirement Home Auxillary

**June** – Northern Lights Homeless Shelter

**July** – Lutheran World Relief Kits and Lutheran World Hunger Relief

**August** – First Lutheran Youth Fund (3<sup>rd</sup> gr. bibles, 1<sup>st</sup> grade catechisms, youth activities)

**September** – Bremwood Youth Home in Waverly, Ia.

**October** – The Caring Tree (Christmas gifts for local children)

**November** – Meals on Wheels (meals to shut-ins in Northwood)  
Worth County Manna (food shelf)

**December**- Heifer International

## May Volunteers

We are hoping to see you soon in the pews soon.  
Check out the wonderfully creative worship services and daily devotions  
on First Lutheran's website ([www.flcnorthwood.org](http://www.flcnorthwood.org))  
and First Lutheran Church and Sunday School Facebook page.

### Ushers

May 3rd—David & Sharron Petznick, Kevin and Maeghan Petznick  
May 10th—Jake Urbatsch, Dan Reeder, Dennis Reeder, Hal Johnson  
May 17th—Harlan & Barb Helgeson, David, Melinda, Ronan & Saxon Penfold  
May 24th—Brian Costello, Richard Butler, Landon Perkins Matt Johnson  
May 31st—Eric and Austin Foss, Tom and Josh Stevens, Cade Hengesteg

### Fellowship Time

May 3rd—Leila Gangstad  
May 10th—Molly Bachtle, Betty Goodrich, Troy & Dawn Bachtle  
May 17th—Graduation Celebration  
May 24th—Memorial Day Weekend  
May 31st—Maynard & Madelyn Midtgaard and Hal & Dianne Johnson

### Acolytes

Postcard and email will be sent with schedule  
when the live services continue.

### Altar Guild & Share Shoppe

Julia Circle

### Offering Collectors/Counters

May 3rd—David & Sharron Petznick  
May 10th—Russ & Delores Knudson  
May 17th—Mike & Judy Stevens  
May 24th—Lee & Becky Okerlund  
May 31st—Gloria Fallgatter and Nancy Amundson

### Assisting Ministers

May 3rd—Dennis Johnson  
May 17th—Peyton Pangburn

### Lay Readers

May 3rd—Laure Buehrer  
May 10th—Patti Trenhaile  
May 17th—Beth Buehrer  
May 24th—Leila Gangstad  
May 31st—Stu Anderson

### Greeters

May 3rd—Coni Butler  
May 10th—Troy & Linda Einertson  
May 17th—Grey Nystuen  
May 24th—Wayde & Jill Willand  
May 31st—Barry & Lisa Wangness

### First Lutheran Financial Update

#### March 2020

Income	\$ 9,483.00
Electronic Income	\$ 1,580.00
Expense	<u>\$16,347.42</u>
End of month	(\$5,284.42)

#### January 1st-March 31st

Income	\$44,651.00
Electronic Income	\$ 4,490.00
Expense	<u>\$54,812.52</u>
Year to date	(\$5,671.52)

#### Weekly Giving

April 1st-4th	\$ 4,165.00
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### PASTORAL ACTS

#### Baptisms

No baptisms in March

#### Weddings

No weddings in March

#### Funerals/Memorial Services

Iola Bakken-April 18th



### MARCH GENERAL BUDGET EXPENSES

#### PAYROLL:

Interim Pastor's Wages	\$ 4,949.16
Other Staff Wages	\$ 5,989.86
Payroll Taxes	\$ 460.68
Interim Pastors' Benefits	\$ 1,193.90
Interim Pastors' Mileage	\$ 281.78

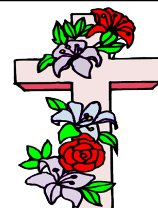
ELECTRONIC GIVING EXPENSE	\$ 20.25
CHURCH MAINTENANCE	\$ 691.02
UTILITIES	\$ 1,964.55
TELEPHONE	\$ 133.66
OFFICE EXPENSE	\$ 624.16
INSURANCE MISC. EXPENSE	\$ 38.40
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 16,347.42
INCOME	\$ 11,063.00
NET	\$ (5,284.42)

### MEMORIALS

Iola Bakken  
\$20.00—General Fund  
See Easter Memorials on page 7

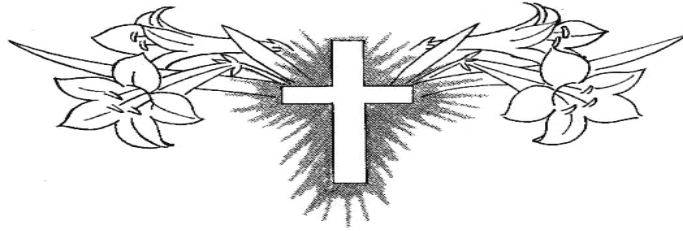
### DONATIONS

No donations in April.



# MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS EASTER 2020

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## **FLORAL MEMORIALS**

In memory of Hellen Holstad given by First Lutheran Altar Guild

In memory of Grandpa & Grandma Toft given by his family

In memory of loved ones given by Marlin & Carol Liljedahl

In memory of Merle and Steve Aase given by the Aase families

In loving memory of our grandparents and other loved ones given by The Seversons

In memory of Rosalie Nelson and Luane A. Butler given by Brian, Susan & Brock Nelson

## **WORSHIP FUND (Organ Restoration)**

In memory of Lowell Gangstad given by his family \$50

## **WORSHIP FUND (Music)**

In memory of my wife Jeanette Kuntson, my brother Gary Knutson and my parents Cornell & Ila Knutson given by Tim Knutson \$100

## **EDUCATION FUND (Sunday School)**

In memory of Jerry Pixley given by Fran Pixley \$200

## **PROPERTY FUND (Fireside Room)**

In memory of Jerry Pixley given by Fran Pixley \$200

In memory of loved ones given by Mike, Lindsey, Keeghan, & Zander Severson \$100

## **GENERAL FUND**

In memory of Raymond Ihnen given by Mary Ihnen \$150

In memory of George "Flip" Lindflott given by LaVon, Tom, Ron, Larry and families \$200

In memory of Jim & Helen Tanner given by Jim Tanner \$25

In memory of Jacob & Marian Hinrichs given by Arlene Rosdahl \$25

In memory of Dean Ausenhus, Powers & Velva Rowe given by Shirley Ausenhus and family \$500

In memory of Norman and Steve Olson given by Shirley Olson \$200

In memory of Ed & Helen Senne given by Mary Jo Senne \$250

## **FIRST LUTHERAN YOUTH FUND**

In memory of Ryan Weizert given by Brian & Connie Kenison \$200





### Happy Mother's Day!

Mother's Day is a time to celebrate the strong, loving women in your life. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we see thousands of Iowa moms through their journey to build the brightest future for their children.

We see moms turning to LSI's Behavioral Health Intervention Services to ensure their child is receiving the coping skills and behavioral supports they need to thrive. In our Early Childhood Services, we see first-time moms who are eager to join our parenting education classes and support groups. In 2019, LSI's Early Childhood programs provided support to 1,282 parents of young children. We are so inspired to hear their stories and see their hard work pay off as they raise our next generation.

As you celebrate Mother's Day this year, remember how many Iowa moms are being empowered because of your support. If you are looking for a way to honor your mother this year, please consider making a gift in her name to LSI. For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI director of philanthropy and church relations, at [Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org](mailto:Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org) or 563-676-2065.

*Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at [LSIowa.org](http://LSIowa.org) and [Facebook.com/LSI.iowa](https://Facebook.com/LSI.iowa).*

### Raising Healthy Families

As a child, Morgan had endured trauma no one should experience. Addiction, divorce, and difficult family relationships all surrounded Morgan in her childhood home. When she found out she was pregnant for the first time with her daughter, Sophia, Morgan was determined to never repeat the past she grew up with.

She decided to enroll in LSI's Early Childhood Services.

Every week, her LSI worker, Ashley, would bring age-appropriate toys and games for Sophia to play with. She provided Morgan with educational resources to help her track Sophia's development and make sure her daughter was hitting all her important milestones. When Morgan welcomed her second child, Nolan, Ashley was with her every step of the way. It was Ashley who noticed that Nolan had developed a speech delay, and she helped Morgan connect with a speech therapist to correct it early.

Sophia is now in preschool and loves telling her mom about her teachers, friends, and the new songs she learned at school. Nolan is an active two-year-old who is learning new words every day. Morgan is currently finishing her Registered Nursing degree, and she dreams of working in emergency care at a hospital after graduation. And all the while, Ashley has been there to cheer them on.

"She's been more than a worker, she's been a friend when I've needed someone the most," Morgan says. "Being a new mom is hard. Having that extra person there, who doesn't judge you, who doesn't see your flaws, who is just there to help you – you can't put a price on that."



### FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

My project over the last couple weeks was to contact the church members that presently receive the monthly newsletter thru the post office. I was able to visit or leave a message for most. We are trying to utilize the internet more. So if you would like to have your newsletter (and other mailings) sent to you via email, please give me a call at the church 324-2984 or email your reply to [deann@flcnorthwood.org](mailto:deann@flcnorthwood.org). Those who wish to continue to receive the paper copy we understand.

Thanks and stay safe,  
DeAnn



# MAY BIRTHDAYS

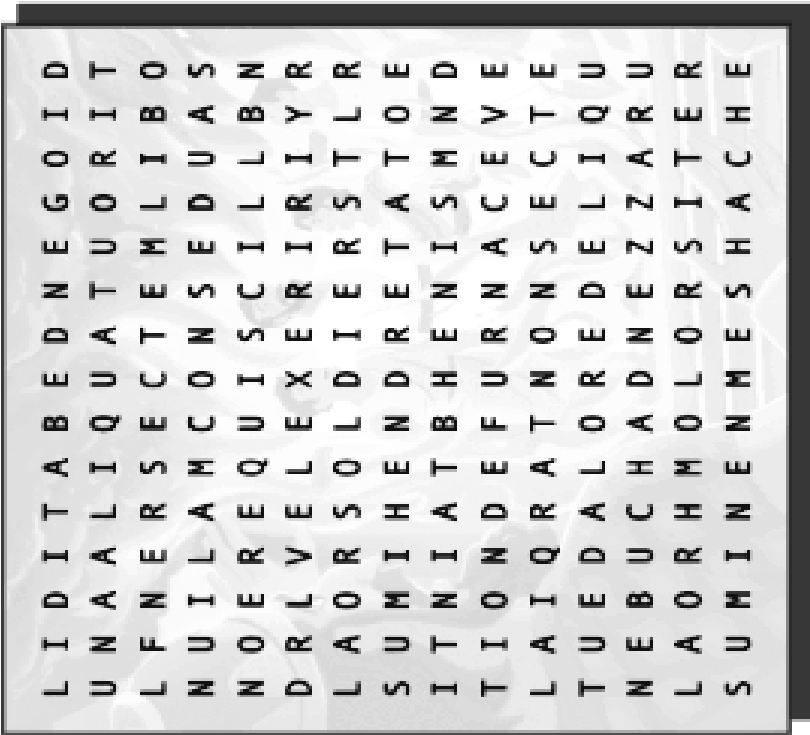
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3. Dana Borcharding
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5. Rhonda Tufte, Lucille Watney
6. Angela Gaskill, Terran Haberman, Eric Otis, Michael Otis, Taylor Otis, Trey Waldemar
7. Lee Nelson
8. James Krull, Brock Nelson
9. Tyler Husske, Cambria Schreiber, Silas Waller, Robyn Wilder
10. Michael Bachtle, Casey Gentz, Ray Larson
11. Spencer Capitani, Douglas Helgeland, Alyssa Iverson, Casey Carlson, Lois Nelson, Sawyer Schulz
12. Raymond Hoffman, Scott Moretz, Hayden Olson, Wayne Trenhaile
13. Teresa Krull, Joseph Read
14. Florence Klitzke, Tanner Wright
15. Joseph Kuennen, Joanne Moretz, Colby Severson, Tracy Van Sabben
16. Owen Binnebose, Taylor Foss, Jordan Reindl
17. Tucker Duvall, Jesse Olson
18. Jerry Hopperstad, Julia Quisley, Briar Tenold, Ashley Thompson
19. Mikaela Butler, Patricia Nelson, Bernon VanVeldhuizen, Peyton Wilder
20. Roger Harris, Jason Johnson
21. Teri Dahlby, Tyler Julson, Terri Olson, Tinzley Robb, Jace Shackleton, River Flattum
23. Chris Ballantyne, Gene Severson
24. Clara Helgeland, Ryan Kalvig, Cheryl Nitcher, Pamela Williamson
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26. Richard Gores, Barbara Helgeson, Dylan Hengesteg, Patricia Irons, Duane Thompson
27. Heather Rheingans, Michael Weisert
28. Gloria George, Kimberly Hengesteg, Colton Moretz
29. Breanne Lombard
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31. Lois Hogen, Marlys Johnson, June Nerlien, Eric Thron



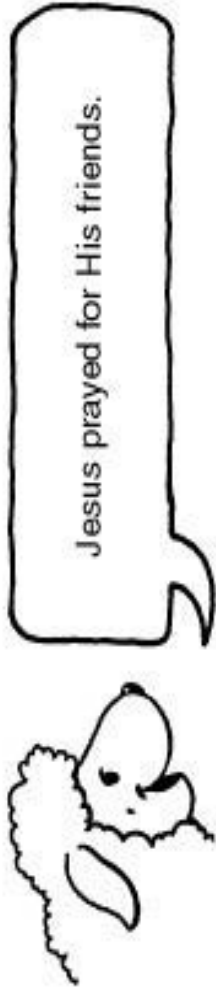
Since the church building is closed to social gatherings until further notice, the May calendar has been omitted.

# Word Search for Three in the Fire

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.



- ABEDNEGO
- BABYLON
- DANIEL
- FIRE
- FURNACE
- GOLD
- MESHACH
- NEBUCHADNEZZAR
- SHADRACH
- SOLDIERS



Jesus prayed for His friends.

Use the code to find some of His words.

○=A	●=E	◐=I	◑=M	▨=Q	▩=U	◒=Y
◑=B	◐=F	◒=J	▨=N	▩=R	▩=V	◑=Z
◒=C	◑=G	◑=K	▨=O	▩=S	▩=W	
◑=D	◒=H	◑=L	▨=P	▩=T	▩=X	

He said,

He said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But whoever does not believe in me will die in his sins."