

# TIDINGS

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**Summer Worship Schedule**

**No Sunday School**

**Worship Service w/Communion @ 9:30 am**



*The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.*

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## Our Sticky Connection

by Pastor Ed Backell

A while ago, I was sharing with someone about spiritual growth, and they had expressed frustration that they weren't as connected to God as they felt they should be. I encouraged them to look up Romans 12:1-2.

Let me share it here:

*"I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, [which is] your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." {NASB}*

This brought to mind an interesting conversation I had. The comment that particularly stands out in my mind is something like, "You know, as I make my to do list for the day, I don't put spiritual goals on that list. I don't mark down how many people I'm going to share Christ with..."

That really grabbed my attention! I wonder how many of us \*plan\* to incorporate specific spiritual activities into our lives? I know, for example, that I have a general weekly schedule; I know when I'll be spending extra time in study, I know when I plan to write my sermon and prepare for my

Sunday School lesson... but how often do I make room for the movement of the Holy Spirit in my everyday life?

It has certainly given me pause for reflection: I ask that God would use me whenever the Lord saw fit...but are there opportunities that I'm missing because I'm preoccupied with just living my life? Are you?

Please join us Wednesday night, June 11 at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary for our Northgate Revival concert. It's the first of our "sticky" events, where we try to allow the Holy Spirit to connect us to people in our community... and to help people in our community to "stick" to us.

Please pray that God would touch the hearts and minds of those who will attend, and may His name be proclaimed!

***Together, let's Keep Following Jesus. Pastor Ed***



## Northgate Revival Live Concert @ HTLC

Wednesday, June 11, 7:00 pm

(HTLC's 1st Sticky Community Event)

### Who is Northgate Revival?

(Information taken from their website: <https://www.northgaterivival.com>)

*Led by Luke Yates and Dillon Campbell, Northgate Revival has established their mission to inspire spiritual renewal across the nation through powerful nights of worship. With a passion for awakening hearts and uniting communities, the group creates transformative worship experiences that invite people to encounter God in profound ways.*

*Traveling across regions and reaching diverse communities in America, Northgate Revival seeks to spark a movement of revival through heartfelt music, genuine connection, and a steadfast commitment to the call that has been placed on their lives by God.*

*Their vision is to create an evening where individuals and communities can be refreshed, encounter God, and feel empowered and inspired to carry revival into their own lives and beyond.*

**Invite your friends and family to experience the energy of Northgate Revival live, delivering an electrifying performance that blends captivating worship and soulful sounds with an atmosphere of powerful spiritual connection.**

**Join us on Wednesday, June 11, at 7:00 pm at HTLC!**





## Sticky Community Events

We want to get “sticky” with our neighbors.

We have three events coming this summer. These events are free to everyone...friends, families, neighbors, and the community.

We will be passing out flyers and mailing post cards announcing these events to our surrounding neighborhoods.

### 1st Sticky Community Event

#### **Northgate Revival Concert**

Wednesday, June 11 @ 7:00 pm

*This is a free concert for everyone.*

### 2nd Sticky Community Event

#### **BBQ**

Thursday, July 24 @ 6:00 pm

*HTLC is providing hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, etc.*



### 3rd Sticky Community Event

#### **S'mores Night**

Thursday, August 28 @ 6:00 pm

*HTLC is providing the graham crackers, chocolate, marshmallows, etc.*



## Celebration of Life

### **Dan Winchester**

*Friday, June 6, 2025 @ 12:30 pm*

There will be a Celebration of Life for Dan Winchester at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on **Friday, June 6, at 12:30 pm**, a reception will follow.

Please RSVP to Deanna Lane (Dan's daughter) by Saturday, June 1, 2025, for reception food planning.

Phone: (509) 922-9064

Email: [deziqnsdeanna@hotmail.com](mailto:deziqnsdeanna@hotmail.com)



## Celebration of Life

### **Bill Nelson**

*Saturday, June 21, 2025 @ 2:00 pm*

There will be a Celebration of Life for Bill Nelson at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on **Saturday, June 21, at 2:00 pm**, a reception will follow.

Please RSVP to HTLC for reception food planning.

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# COUNCIL MINUTES

## **Council Meeting Minutes: May 13, 2025 — “Subject to Approval”**

*Respectfully Submitted by Sandy Hoveskeland, Council Secretary*

**Present:** George Simon, Dan Olson, Denel Ingraham, Pastor Ed Backell, LaLita Tadena, Vicki Egesdal, Charlie May, Pat Woods and Sandy Hoveskeland. Nancy Purcell and Diane Fried were absent.

**Call to Order:** President George Simon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Devotional:** Denel Ingraham gave the devotional based on Mark: Chapter 7, verse 37. He hath done all things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak. He is with you always. Denel also referred to a book titled “Where in the World is God?”

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Charlie and seconded by LaLita to approve the April 8, 2025, minutes as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Dan presented the Treasurer’s Report which was reviewed and discussed by the Council. Current assets are \$186,887 compared to \$180,007 on April 30, 2024. Unearned givings are \$34,133 yet to be recognized compared to \$30,800 at this time last year. Building use is \$4,468 compared to \$4,366 at this time last year. Plate offerings January through April 2025 are \$46,998 compared to \$39,324 January through April 2024. Pastor’s salary to-date is \$9,000 and \$5,625 has been contributed to his retirement account. Net loss from January through April 2025 is \$13,846 compared to a net loss of \$11,252 at this time last year. Donations received at the Easter breakfast were \$300 compared to \$246 last year. Vicki Egesdal started working with Dan to learn procedures for taking over the Treasurer’s position in January 2026.

<b>STCU Checking:</b>	<b>\$11,277.86</b>
<b>C. Schwab Building Fund:</b>	<b>\$35,904.74</b>
<b>C. Schwab Savings:</b>	<b>\$120,422.38</b>
<b>C. Schwab VIGAX Investment Fund:</b>	<b>\$19,282.54</b>



**Pastor’s Report:** Pastor Ed preached and taught every Sunday. Adult Sunday School has completed 13 of 22 weeks into Psalm 119. The series will not be completed before the summer break, so Pastor asked for opinions on whether to print the remainder of the sessions for personal devotion or to end it now and start something new in the fall. The consensus was to consider Psalm 119 completed and start something new in the fall.

Pastor Ed and Jami have attended small group meetings in David and Christel Seybold’s home and Pat and Caren Woods’ home. Other small group meetings are being planned. Pastor helped host Sober Karaoke on Saturday, April 26. Attendance was not as good as the Karaoke previously held on a Friday night. Next time it will be scheduled for a Friday. He met with Deanna Lane regarding the service for her father, Dan Winchester, which will be held June 6 at 12:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity. He also met with others for counseling, fulfilled prayer requests, and followed up with visitors who had completed a yellow card during church attendance.

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**Properties and Maintenance:** See report submitted by Charlie May. About a dozen people helped spread bark in the shrub beds at the church on spring clean-up day. Thanks to all who participated! Avista put up their own pole on the NW corner of the church grounds. We will leave our pole in place and use it as a flagpole to fly the Lutheran flag. One of the AA members brought in equipment and spread the gravel in the back parking lot. This volunteer effort was much appreciated! Charlie will look at the hot water tank to assess whether it will last another few years. He will address a conflict with a user group about noise in the kitchen conflicting with a meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

**Worship and Music:** See report submitted by Nancy Purcell. Nancy thanked all who helped decorate the church for Easter, provided Easter lilies and mums, and helped cook, serve and clean up after the Easter breakfast. Ava Andreasen completed the Instruction for Confirmation with the Redeemer Lutheran Church group and was confirmed by Pastor Ed during the worship service on May 4. The summer worship schedule changes on May 25. Sunday worship service will begin at 9:30. The winter schedule resumes on September 7.

**Congregational Ministries:** See report submitted by LaLita Tadena. Sober Karaoke was held in the fellowship hall hosted by Pastor Ed and Jami. Approximately 18 people attended from HTLC and various user groups.

**Christian Education:** See report submitted by Pat Woods which encourages participation in breakfast and Bible study meetings throughout the summer months.

**Social Care and Concerns and Care Team:** See report submitted by Diane Fried. Diane provided a detailed review of the team's activities for the month. The outreach and service of this committee is very much appreciated.

**Old Business:** Pastor Ed's vacation is July 28-August 8. Pastor Steve will substitute August 3.

## **New Business:**

1. Approval of Amendment to Pastor's Employment Agreement: Pastor Ed is awaiting information on completing classwork for NALC and he expects to complete by the end of this year. Pat made a motion and Dan seconded to accept and approve this Amendment. The motion was unanimously approved. The Amendment was signed by George and Sandy.
2. Northgate Revival Concert, Wednesday, June 11, 2025: This group is on tour in the NW and has offered to put on a concert at our church. Flyers will be distributed around the neighborhood on Sunday, June 1. Dan will contact Marcia Taes about using the same teams and routes used during the food drive.
3. Summer Outreach Events: Thursday, July 24 – Neighborhood BBQ, Thursday, August 28 – S'mores Night.
4. Small Church Request to Lease HTLC Evenings: Holy Trinity is being used at capacity by current user groups so this request will be denied.

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5. St. Paul Lutheran Church in Kodiak, AK Request for Roof Repair: This request will be denied as we are not in a financial position to help at this time.

**Next Month's Devotional:** Charlie May

**June Counters:** Nancy Purcell and LaLita Tadena

**Adjournment:** The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:55 p.m.



**2025 total donations = 185 lbs.**

**Contact Drew Taes for information:**  
[drew.taes@gmail.com](mailto:drew.taes@gmail.com)

**Thank you so much for your contributions!**



## **Food Bank Donations for June:**

Kids will be getting out of school for the summer. Let's focus on **summer snacks** like crackers, packaged ramen noodles & noodle cups, fruit snacks, granola bars, etc.

## **New Council Treasurer**

*Effective January 2026*

**Vicki Egesdal has graciously accepted the position of Council Treasurer!**

**She will begin training with Dan Olson soon and will take over for Dan beginning in January 2026.**

*(Subject to Congregational approval.)*

**We want to thank Vicki for her willingness to step up and volunteer for this very important position on the council.**







## June Anniversaries

**Eric & Keri Fletcher**

Married June 17

**Denel & Judy Ingraham**

Married June 22, 1962

*Celebrating 63 years*

**John & Diane Fried**

Married June 25, 1972

*Celebrating 53 years*

**Mark & Lynette Andreasen**

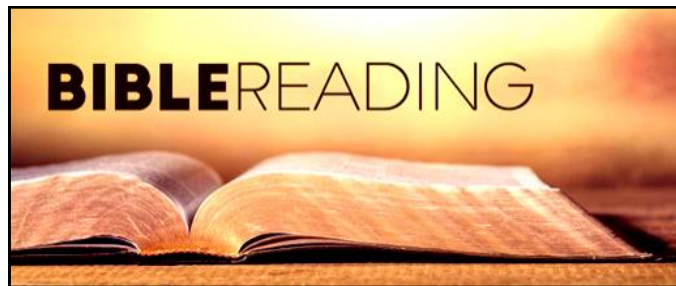
Married June 29, 1996

*Celebrating 29 years*



## June Birthdays

<b>David Seybold</b>	<b>June 10</b>
<b>Kelly Peterson</b>	<b>June 12</b>
<b>Pat Woods</b>	<b>June 22</b>



### June 1 (7th Sunday of Easter):

- ✝ Acts 16:16-34
- ✝ Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
- ✝ John 17:20-26

### June 8 (Day of Pentecost):

- ✝ Acts 2:1-21
- ✝ Romans 8:14-17
- ✝ John 14:8-17 [25-27]

### June 15 (Holy Trinity Sunday):

- ✝ Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
- ✝ Romans 5:1-5
- ✝ John 16:12-15

### June 22 (2nd Sunday after Pentecost):

- ✝ Isaiah 65:1-9
- ✝ Galatians 3:23-29
- ✝ Luke 8:26-39

### June 29 (3rd Sunday after Pentecost):

- ✝ 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21
- ✝ Galatians 5:1, 13-25
- ✝ Luke 9:51-62

## Craft Club—Summer Break



Craft Club is taking a break for the summer and will meet up again after Labor Day.

*Contact Barbara Miller for more information.*



# JUNE 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>7th Sunday of Easter</b>  9:30 am Worship Service & Fellowship  10:00 am AA—SMG  7:00 pm AA—SRG	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm TOPS  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—MNM	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  10:00 am Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—WNW	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  Tracy's Office Hours: 11:00 am—1:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG	7:30 am Breakfast and Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  12:30 pm Celebration of Life—Dan Winchester  5:30 pm AA—HHG  6:00 pm AA—HHG Bingo Night  6:30 pm—7:00 pm NA Book Study	8:00 am AA—MWU  10:00 am AA—SMM  8:00 pm AA—SNM
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<b>Holy Trinity Sunday</b>  9:30 am Worship Service & Fellowship  10:00 am AA—SMG  7:00 pm AA—SRG  5:30 pm—6:30 pm NA Committee Mtg.	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm TOPS  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—MNM	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  6:30 pm Council Meeting	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  10:00 am Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—WNW  7:00 pm Northgate Revival Concert	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  Tracy's Office Hours: 11:00 am—1:00 pm  11:15 am—1:00 pm Serving Lunch @ Men's Shelter  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG	7:30 am Breakfast and Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  6:30 pm—7:00 pm NA Book Study	8:00 am AA—MWU  10:00 am AA—SMM  8:00 pm AA—SNM
<b>15— Father's Day</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20—1st Day of Summer</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>2nd Sunday After Pentecost</b>  9:30 am Worship Service & Fellowship  10:00 am AA—SMG  7:00 pm AA—SRG  Newsletter Articles Due	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm TOPS  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—MNM	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  10:00 am Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  7:00 pm NA—WNW	Pastor Ed's Office Hours: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  Tracy's Office Hours: 11:00 am—1:00 pm  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG	7:30 am Breakfast and Bible Study  12:00 pm AA—VNG  5:30 pm AA—HHG  6:30 pm—7:00 pm NA Book Study	8:00 am AA—MWU  10:00 am AA—SMM  2:00 pm Celebration of Life—Bill Nelson  8:00 pm AA—SNM
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**June Events**

Celebration of Life for Dan Winchester	Friday, June 6 12:30 pm (reception following)
Council Meeting	Tuesday, June 10 @ 6:30 pm
Northgate Revival Concert "Sticky Community Event"	Wednesday, June 11 7:00 pm
Serving Lunch at UGM Men's Shelter	Thursday, June 12 11:15 am—1:00 pm
Happy Father's Day	Sunday, June 15
Newsletter Articles Due	Sunday, June 15
Celebration of Life for Bill Nelson	Saturday, June 21 2:00 pm (reception following)
Worship & Music Mtg.	Thursday, June 26 @ 1:30 pm
Mid-week Bible Study	Wednesdays @ 10:00 am
Breakfast & Bible Study	Fridays @ 7:30 am

**Summer Worship Schedule**

***No Sunday School  
9:30 am Worship Service & Fellowship (after)***