

GALILEE LUTHERAN CHURCH

WALKING WITH JESUS, SHARING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE, SERVING ALL FAITHFULLY.

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PASTOR AMANDA APPLEHANS

Happy June, Galileans! It is amazing to me that we are already in June – it seems like I just started here with you all, and we are already more than 6 weeks into our time together! The trees and the flowers and the sunshine all attest to the fact that it is now very nearly summer, and with summer comes vacations and camps and for the church – ordinary time.



The season after Pentecost, which we entered the week after our rousing Pentecost worship service on May 19, is literally in the church called "ordinary time." And it makes sense when you look at it on the calendar – the season after Pentecost is months long. It won't end until Advent starts on November 30th. That's about 6 months of the church year! It's called "ordinary time" because it is the time when the church isn't celebrating its festivals. Advent through the end of Easter is called the "Festival Season" and the rest of the year is "ordinary time." Not really an inspiring name for such a significant period of time!

To be honest with you, I'm actually ready for a little ordinary time. Things have been in transition for our family for a LONG time. We sold our house in Minnesota 4 years ago, thinking that we had signed up for an adventure in Madagascar. Nothing has really been anything close to ordinary for us ever since. In those four years we have moved more than 10 times, between 3 different states, Sam started school, we lived through a flood, several multi-day power outages, a water main break, and a global pandemic. Just thinking about all the transition we have worked with is exhausting!

And I wonder if you at Galilee might be ready for a little ordinary time yourselves. You also lived through a global pandemic. Then your pastor (who had delayed his retirement to help as you navigated these uncharted waters) took his well-deserved retirement, leaving you all to find a new pastor. Much diligent work followed – finding a (wonderful) interim to work with the congregation. a MET team study, the writing of your congregational paperwork, finding a new church secretary, the selection of a call committee, the retirement of your interim, bringing on a bridge pastor, interviews, and finally the call and arrival of a new pastor. All the transition this congregation has navigated is really something when you think it through – and I'm sure I still don't know all the pieces of this story.

I think that maybe you as a congregation and I as a pastor should work to embrace a bit of ordinary time. Let's take some deep breaths and really give ourselves credit for all the hard work and perseverance we have shown in these years of transition. Let's thank all those who worked with us as we moved through this unprecedented time. And let's use this summer full of ordinary time to think deeply about what we might like our "new normal" to look like. Nothing will ever be what it was before, but I believe that with God by our side we will find a new good. A new vision of who Galilee is called to be in this community and this world. A new plan for discerning what good things from this time of transition we want to hold on to and what things we might want to let go. A new hope of what God might be calling us to as we journey forward together, "Walking with Jesus, Sharing God's love and grace by serving all faithfully."

Maybe a bit of ordinary time won't be such a bad thing for us after all. Maybe a bit of ordinary time is exactly what we need to grow together and discern God's call for us together. Maybe a bit of ordinary time will be just the space we need to find our way forward from transition into a more rooted community of Christ followers.

And know that you have my permission to remind me I said all this when I get really bored of ordinary time somewhere in late September!

-Pastor Amanda Applehans

JUNE UPDATE FROM THE LEADERSHIP BOARD

TIME FOR THANKS TO JEAN NELSON!

With June coming up it means that we are nearing the end of the school year. While the kids will be celebrating that school is out for Galilee it means that Jean Nelson will be stepping away from her role as our Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry.

Jean came to the Leadership Board earlier this year to share that at the end of the School year she wanted to step down from her role. We at first used the term of "retiring" but that term did not seem to encompass her desire to find new ways to assist others using the gifts she has, whether that be at Galilee or in another way. In her time with us she has shown her incredible creativity and her devotion to us, always thinking of new ways to get children and families involved at Galilee and has always been willing to "jump in" where needed. Her gifts are many and she has been more than willing to share her passions to better our lives and teach our children how God and Jesus influence us each and every day.

Her last day will be coming up sometime in June, once she has had a chance to finalize her year and help us to prepare a bit for next fall. As that day quickly approaches, please take a moment to thank Jean personally for all of her contributions to Galilee. She will be missed in this role but I believe she will continue to be involved while pursuing other ministry opportunities.

ROOF PROJECT

Earlier this year, at the Annual Congregational Meeting, we discussed the need to replace the roof at Galilee and discussed various ways that we could use to pay for the work needed. At that meeting the Congregation gave approval for moving ahead with that project. The Leadership Board then signed the contract with our carefully selected vendor of choice, Noffke Roofing. The plan right now is that Noffke has us on their schedule for starting this work by mid-September with completion before the end of September.

This means that now is the time to pull together our plans for how we will pay for this. The Leadership Board will be finalizing our thoughts on this in early June so please expect to hear more about this in the coming weeks. While not finalized, our focus will be on raising the funds through donations. We hope that when the time comes you will prayerfully consider contributing for this necessary project.

CONTINUED OPPORTUNITIES TO BE INVOLVED!

As we head into summer there is a lot happening at Galilee and the Leadership Board would encourage you to be involved! From volunteering as a worship assistant to helping at the Farmers Market to weeding and caring for our grounds outside as well as so many of our ongoing opportunities we would encourage you to volunteer. Whether it is a task you have done before or something that is entirely new to you, it's safe to expect that you will have fun, meet new people and have a sense of purpose in helping the Church. If you are wondering what opportunities exist please reach out to the Leadership Board, Pastor Amanda, the Church Office or anyone you may meet who is involved with an area that interests you.

As always, thank you all for your participation in making this a special place where we are **Walking with Jesus**, **Sharing God's Love and Grace**, **Serving All Faithfully**.

Carl Spencer Leadership Board President

COMING UP AT GALILEE:



Healthy School Meals for All

LUTHERAN OFFICE FOR PUBLIC POLICY



June 2 at 10:15 in Gathering Place

The ELCA's Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin (LOPPW) advocates to the legislature on social issues of importance to our church community. One of those issues is child hunger. You might be surprised to learn that child hunger is still an issue in Wisconsin, for children in all communities, including Waukesha County. LOPPW is advocating for legislation that would provide healthy school meals for all children, regardless of financial need. The reasons for this might surprise you. Come meet Frances Dobbs, who is working as advocate on hunger issues for LOPPW. She will explain the work of LOPPW (an ELCA organization), including its work to address child hunger issues.



Loss & Living Gathering Tuesday, June 18, 2024 | 3:00 p.m.

Please join us in the Narthex on June 18th 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.

GALILEE TO DEBUT A PRAYGROUND IN JUNE

What is a prayground?

- A prayground is an area set aside for young children in the front of the sanctuary that contains items for children to use or play with during worship.
- It is a space for kids to be able to experience and participate in worship alongside their congregational family.
- It's a space for young children to be themselves and be part of the church at the same time.
- It is a way for everyone to see the bigger picture that church is a family with people of all ages.
- It affirms the concept that children are welcome and valued in worship.
- Think of it as accommodating a specific need, much like we provide large print bulletins and space for wheelchairs.

Why create a prayground at Galilee?

Research shows that:

- Children being in communal worship is the strongest indicator for future church participation in adulthood.
- Children who attend worship regularly grow up making a faith connection at a church a regular part of their lives.
- Children who are present in worship beginning at a young age absorb the sounds and sights and rituals of worship by observing the adults who are present.
- Offering a designated and specially designed space for young children to be during worship encourages families to be in worship together.
- A church with a prayground lets the community know that children and families are welcome in worship and shows/demonstrates that it is a priority of the congregation.
- Providing space for a prayground provides opportunities for other caring adults to connect with the children.
- A prayground is part of a congregation's hospitality ministry, worship ministry, faith formation, and ministry with children and families.

Who is the prayground for?

- A prayground is for everyone because it:
 - o offers a special place for young children to be during worship
 - offers parents of young children the opportunity to focus more on worship, especially during the sermon

offers other worshipers the opportunity to interact with Galilee's children (and hopefully their parents) on a Sunday morning



FAITH FORMATION



Sophia was involved in robotics, golf, track, rock climbing, Key Club, Culinary Club, ACLU, Chess Club, Spanish Honor Society, and helped organize the Warriors Wear Red event.

At Galilee she has served as a greeter, communion assistant, and she has volunteered at the Pewaukee Farmers Market.

Sophia will attend UW-Madison College of Letters and Science, majoring in Social Welfare and Spanish.

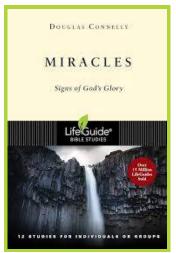
Also graduating: Jack Kiser and Austin Slominski

SOPHIA LEVAS



PEWAUKEE H.S.

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The Men's Bible study group meets on the first and third Saturday mornings of the month from 7:30 - 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We share some breakfast, good conversation, explore God's Word and share our faith

Recently we started a new study from the Life Guide Bible study series, "Miracles - Signs of God's Glory". Most of us could use a miracle. Some physical condition, relational problem or financial crisis in our lives could be solved rather quickly with just one miracle. What can we do to experience the power of God unleashed in the struggles and problems we face every day? We can be inspired and stand in amazement when we read the biblical accounts of the many signs and wonders performed by Jesus and his disciples.

The purpose of our study of these Biblical MIRACLE stories is to engender belief and to help us grow in the faith. Please consider joining the Men's Bible study. It may just help you to see God differently than ever before.

Contact Bill Braunschweig or Bill Rudolph if you would like additional information.

A Message from Jean Nelson, CYF

It has been a privilege and a joy to partner with you these past three years in ministry with children and families. Thank you for your support, your ideas, and encouragement along the way. This passage from Deuteronomy is one of my favorites and has been a guide for me through the past 19 years of ministry. It underscores for me that faith formation is so much more than one hour on Sunday mornings. Instead, it is something to be woven into our everyday lives and busy schedules - because we all need reminders and repetition. The more we think about - and talk about -God's commands and promises, the more life-giving they will become. When we find ways to include regular prayer and praise and wonder in our daily lives - all throughout the day - we will notice more ways and times that God is present in our lives, in both the big moments and the seemingly insignificant ones. Keep striving to know, love, and follow Jesus and see how God fills your life with love, joy, peace, hope, grace, and bountiful blessings - to the point of overflowing, - and then you can't help but share those gifts with others and tell them how the living God is active in your life.

Even though I am stepping away from my position as CYF Director, Roy and I will still be part of the Galilee community. I plan to continue serving as the accompanist for the choir and ringing in the bell choir, and will be looking for other ways to use my gifts and passions in ministry wherever God leads me.

-Jean Nelson







Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.
Love the LORD your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your strength.
These commandments that I give you today
are to be upon your hearts.
Impress them on your children. Talk about them
when you sit at home and when you walk along the road,
when you lie down and when you get up.
Tie them as symbols on your hands
and bind them on your foreheads.
Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-8









HEALING PRAYER

We will continue to do Healing Prayer during the summer months, with a slight change. Instead of having the prayers during communion, we will do them after the service. This will enable us to be unhurried and provide some privacy.

We encourage anyone who has a health concern for themselves or someone dear to them to come forward after the sending. Please approach the area around the kneeler and take a seat, leaving enough room to provide some privacy for the person at

the kneeler. You will be asked to state your prayer concern, and then praying and anointing with oil will be done. What you share will remain confidential, but know that you can also ask to be added to the prayer list by contacting Sam at the office.

PRAYER IS POWERFUL!



CALLING ALL WORSHIP ASSISTANTS...

Thank you to everyone that has signed up and served during the month of May. June is now available on the sign up.

You may sign up in one of three ways...

- Go to Sign-Up Genius and sign yourself up.
- Sign up on the clipboards in the Narthex.
- Contact Diana Conway at 262-366-5497 or dlmc@milwpc.com and she will add your name to the schedule.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS



June 1

Tyson Muroni Weston Carlson Terri Drover

June 3

Nathanael Knutson

June 4

Maxwell Smith

June 6

Kevin R. Hehn

June 7

Katie Liek

June 10

Cameron J. Hehn

June 11

Sam Scantlin

June 12

Monica Binder

Emery Liek

June 13

Amanda Applehans Lisa Huebner

June 14

Derek C. Hehn

June 17

Hannah Michaelson Sue Burgemeister

Bryan Kozlowski

June 18

Lila Binder Bethany Prins

June 22

Vivian Dethloff

June 23

Laura Fancher

June 24

Janet R. Johnson

June 25

Mary Dehler Brent Diefenbach

June 29

Patrick Graham Stephanie Barth

June 30

DJ Fancher





PRAYER NEEDS

Please keep in your prayers - Patricia Alters, Cathy Bartlett, Steve Bower, Tom Buelow, Donna Chudada, Judy Corcoran, Bev Coshun, Isaiah Cramer, Leslie Demuth, Oretha Dueno, Keri Elizabeth, Donna Frederick, Paul Hintze Jr., Moses Htoo, Jill Johnson, Marjory Kloth, Bill Koehn, Margo Krumnow, Heidi Mag, Ray Mansker, Dan Maske, Carol McCormick, Michael Mielke, Helen Mueller, Calla Nelson, Diane Praeger, Janet Praeger, Carol Puestow, John Ruf, Maureen Schwartz, Olivia Taylor, Bob Villa, Cloria Wheeler, Jim Williams, Penny Williams, and Nancy Wojcicki.

Are you or someone you know in need of prayer? Simply contact the church office at (262) 691-2380

email galilee@galileelc.org

with your prayer requests.

WE ARE LOOKING TO UPDATE OUR MILITARY LIST!





Mike Anderson
Andrew Connolly
Jeremy Fossier
Tim Gilestad
Bill Groth
Benjamin Maske
Morgan Mosher
Andrew Richardson

Do you know any of the people on our current list? Do you know of anyone we should add to this list? Any information you can provide would be appreciated! Contact Sam in the office at galilee@galileelc.org or call (262) 691-2380 with any information you may have.

MINISTRY STAFF

Pastor: Pastor Amanda Applehans, email: pastoramanda@galileelc.org

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