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THE PARABLES † *April 2023*

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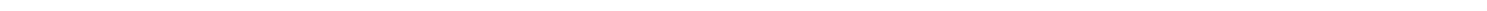
**Important Dates
 for Youth!**



**"HE HAS
 RISEN!"**
 Luke 24:6

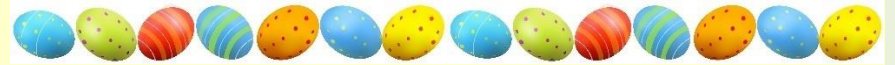
**Holy Week
 Dates &
 Services/Activities**


**Upcoming
 Events**





April 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Please be mindful of little ones coming and going in the parking lot. Bulky winter clothing might make it harder for them to see cars 😊			Remember to take a turn and sign up to care for our grounds in the narthex. Thank you!			1
Palm Sunday 2 10a Worship in-person & online 10:45-11:30a Sun. School 11:15a Coffee Fellowship	3	4 9a Bulletin Deadline 5-6p Riversong Rising 5:45p Exec. Council 7p AA	5	6 6p Maundy Thursday Healing Service 5:30 Lenten Soup Supper 6-7pm Group Discussion 7p Choir Practice	7	8 10a-Noon Family Friendly Event 
Easter Sunday 9 7a Easter Sunrise Simple Service (in-person/online) 8-9:30a Easter Breakfast 10a Easter Service (in-person/online)	Pr. Kim Gone 10	Pr. Kim vacation 11 9a Bulletin Deadline	Pr. Kim vacation 12	Pr. Kim vacation 13	Pr. Kim vacation 14	Pr. Kim vacation 15 8:30a-4p FRLC Work Day @ Ken's 9a-3p Babysitting Clinic
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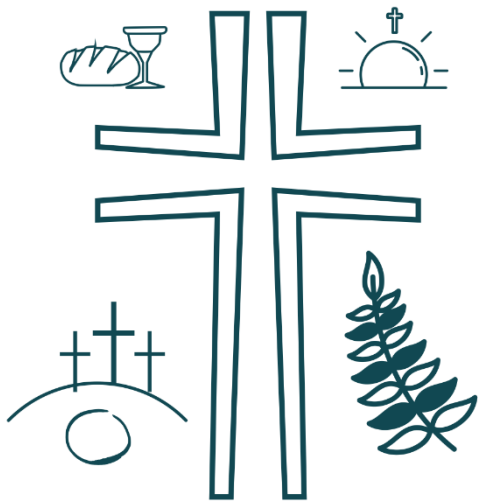
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A Message from Pastor Kim

French River Lutheran



Please Join Us For

HOLY WEEK

Services & Opportunities



Holy Week

- April 2  Palm Sunday: Sunday School Kids sing & receive bibles
- April 6  Maundy Thursday 6pm: Healing Service 
- April 7  Good Friday 6pm: Tenébre Service 
- April 8  Easter Saturday 10 am- Noon: Family Friendly Event
Easter Egg Hunt (indoors), Craft Activities, Easter Bunny Visits.
- April 9  Easter Sunrise Service 7 am: Simple Contemplative Service
 EASTER BREAKFAST 8-9:30 am: Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit, Juice, & Coffee Served by Youth & Families alongside our Women of French River. Chef Loren & Chef Phil cooking
 Easter Resurrection of our Lord Service 10 am

Recently at FRLC

Alice Dahlberg turned 99!

We celebrated Alice Dahlberg's 99th Birthday at the Sunday, February 12th service!



WELCA NE MN Lake Superior Conference

It was a beautiful day - just a little chilly - for the NE MN Synod Women of the ELCA - Lake Superior Conference Spring Gathering at Elim Lutheran in West Duluth. On March 18, 2023, 42 members from eight churches and two guests from the Synod assembled for worship, heard from Mr. Duncan Gregory of Bethany Crisis Shelter, and celebrated a fabulous lunch and fellowship.

Two members of French River Lutheran, Mary Ann “Skipper” Sironen and Carol Surine, volunteered to fill two of three open Conference Committee positions.

Unapproved minutes of the Gathering are posted on the WELCA board outside the FRLC office.



You’re Somebody’s “Type!”

Please schedule your appointment to donate blood at our next FRLC Blood Drive!

Date: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 from 12 pm to 6 pm
Place: FRLC Fellowship Hall

You can schedule your appointment by:

1. Going to RedCrossBlood.org and searching in our zip code for the French River Lutheran Church blood drive. You will need to create a profile with a username and password to schedule your time (if you don’t already have one from donating previously).
2. Downloading the Blood Donor App by searching “Red Cross Blood” on the App StoreSM or Google PlayTM store.
3. Contacting Beth Luikart (218-525-1596, or e-mail her at bluikart@outlook.com).

This blood drive is for FRLC members AND members of our North Shore community, so if you know of anyone who would like to donate, please invite them to join us on April 26 to help ensure that blood is available for patients in need.

Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed during the blood drive.

There is no deferral time for eligible blood donors who are vaccinated. You may donate right away if you are not experiencing symptoms. Please bring your vaccination record card with you so that the type of vaccine you received can be verified. All donors must be symptom free and feeling well at the time of the blood donation.

Interested in volunteering for a two-hour shift at the blood drive? Contact Beth Luikart (218-525-1596; e-mail: bluikart@outlook.com). The Outreach Committee needs several people each shift to help with registration and working in the canteen area. We appreciate your help!

Upcoming Events



Babysitter Class



**Saturday, April 15, 2023; 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
French River Lutheran Church**

Recommended for age 12 years or older; \$25/student, minimum of 10, maximum of 25 students. Open to anyone (you need not attend FRLC to participate). Participants need to follow the current Covid plan of the church at the time of the class; bring a mask in case it is needed.

This course will provide you with the necessary leadership skills and equip you with the essential caregiving skills and safety prevention methods to be a top-notch babysitter, giving parents peace of mind when hiring a sitter. Please bring a bag lunch.

Cash or check payment is due on day of class.

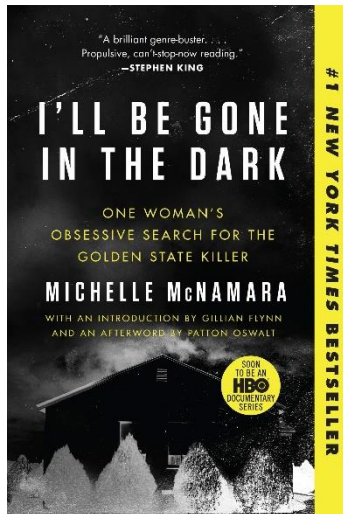
Instructor: Michelle Libby.

Register: e-mail Drjockmock@msn.com no later than 4/3/23 (“Babysitter Class” in the subject line)



Be a friend. Give blood.





For April we have chosen another Book Club in a Bag offering, I'll Be Gone in the Dark by Michelle McNamara. The meeting will be held at 1 PM on Thursday, April 20th in the Fireside Room at French River Lutheran Church. Our host will be Bonnie Smrstick. In May we will return to our evening

meetings. The book will be available on the ledge to the right of the upper entrance. It is also available as a Kindle read for free on Amazon!

Outdoor Worship & Gathering Space

Outdoor Worship & Gathering Space Color Team



Here is your chance to be on the color team to select the colors of the stamped concrete floor and the metal roof. The team will meet in early May to discuss the color

options and come to a color consensus for the floor and roof. Think about joining the team or be prepared to say "Wow, I really like those colors." Signup sheet is at the Welcome Center.

Outdoor Worship & Gathering Space Ceiling Staining Team

We have 2,000 square feet of tongue and groove lumber which needs to be stained as we prepare for the construction of the new building. Ken Peterson is generously providing his heated garage for this work. You can stop by anytime and come alone or bring a crowd to stain the wood. We will also have a Saturday "work day" on April 15 (8:30 – 4:00, come and go as needed). Ken's address is 6308 McQuade Road. Please call before you come so Ken (218.341.5640), or Steve (218.461.5901) can prepare for you. Signup sheet is at the Welcome Center.



As you can see from the pledge thermometer posted in the narthex, support is great for the Outdoor Worship & Gathering Center. If you donate to this project, please be sure to designate on your offering envelope and/or your check that your donation is for the "Outdoor Worship Space" ("OWS") so that our Financial Secretary is sure of your intent.

Take Note

Thank You

Dear Friends,

Now that I am "all fixed" and almost pain-free, I want to thank you all for praying for a successful hip reconstruction and pacemaker implant. I'm as good as new!

Thank you for your cards and prayers...they all contributed to keep me positive. God was with me and guided the surgeon's skilled hands for a successful outcome!

Blessings to you all,
Love,
Babs



Karen Moe-Westing's grandson was in a serious car accident and sustained injuries. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers.

FRLC Directory Volunteer

FRLC council is looking for a volunteer/s to take the lead on organizing a new picture directory. It has been over 10 years since we last had a directory made. We have contact information for the business available, just need someone to help plan and organize an event ideally in the fall. Please inquire with Ken Peterson so he can get information to you. In the short term an updated printed directory using church 360 info is available upon request in the office. Thank you Sue and Beth for getting that put together!



Hunger Awareness

Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign, the largest grassroots food and fund drive in the state, brings together organizations, businesses, faith communities, and individuals to help stock and support the capacity of nearly 300 food shelves. During March Campaign and throughout the year, Minnesota FoodShare raises and distributes funding to food shelves and other partners addressing urgent issues of food security. Learn more and donate at [March Campaign - GMCC](#). The 42nd March Campaign is February 27th – April 9th, 2023.

Wicker baskets in the FRLC narthex receive non-perishable donations that are taken to the CHUM Food Shelf in Duluth. Please remember to check expiration dates when making contributions.

Food shelves can stretch financial donations even further than what your dollar buys from a grocery store. Learn more about area resources FRLC has supported:

- * CHUM Food Shelf www.chumduluth.org/foodshelf
- * Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank www.northernlakesfoodbank.org
- * Two Harbors Area Food Shelf www.thfoodshelf.org



Are you skilled in providing **blood pressure checks**? We

would like to occasionally offer this service on Sundays after church. Please contact Jacquie Eubanks, Sue Baker, or the church office with your interest.

Attention Crafters & Quilters

The NEMN Synod Assembly will once again have a Quilt Auction and Marketplace for the World Hunger Campaign.



We're asking congregations and individuals to donate Quilts and Marketplace items to help alleviate Hunger and Poverty.

Quilts can be from individuals or quilting groups and can be:

- any size (from baby quilts to king)
- design (intricate to simple blocks)
- tied or machine quilted.

Please use clean and new or like-new fabric Marketplace items can be:

- **Buy now items:** jellies, jams, honey, dish cloths, towels, jewelry, soaps or other small items.
- **Hand crafted items:** woodworking, knit or crocheted, pottery, paintings or other fine arts.
- **Share an experience or talent:** mentor a new bird watcher, teach a group how to knit/crochet, share a hiking trip-with lunch included. Share your creativity- the skies the limit!

Refer to *How to submit your quilt or item* to get it in the on-line auction. Then either bring it or arrange to have it delivered to the Synod Assembly on April 28th.

Questions: Contact Amy Loken at 218-391-4260

Your generous Lenten/Easter offerings will be split between



THANK YOU!

FRLC Youth

Let's get our Youth involved in the Worship Service! Would your child like to read the Prayer of the Day or the scripture readings? Or how about being an usher and greeter? Or do they have a special musical talent they would like to share with the congregation? Once per month (usually the 4th Sunday), we will have youth involved in leading Worship! Contact Kim Marks at FRLCYouth@gmail.com if your youth is interested in being involved.

Upcoming dates are:

- April 23rd
- May 14th
- June 18th
- July 23rd

Upcoming dates to note for Youth:

- April 2nd – Palm Sunday [Palm procession and special music]
- April 8th – Egg Hunt/Activities 10am-12pm
- April 9th – Easter Sunday [Easter Breakfast]
- April 23rd – Youth in Worship
- May 14th – Youth in Worship [special music]
- June 12th-14th – VBS 9:00am-12:00pm
- June 16th – Camp Out at FLRC!
- June 17th – Grandma's Marathon Concessions and Parking
- June 18th – Youth in Worship [special music]

 <p>Save the date!</p>	<p>June 14 to 16 9a-12p</p>
<p>Vacation Bible School!</p>	 <p>@ French River Lutheran Church</p>

April Celebrations

Happy April Birthday

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Claire Pierson | 19 Bari Fladmark-Hunt |
| 1 Cade Ruberg | 19 Kaitlin Slette |
| 1 Patti Slette | 21 Joanne Sirard |
| 2 Courtney Engelstad | 21 Judy Miller |
| 4 Elias Berg | 24 Maria Braud |
| 6 Kathleen Larson | 24 Lauren Hesch |
| 6 Alex Peterson | 25 Ella Edblom |
| 7 Lilly Kuettel | 26 Kathie Johnson |
| 7 Beth Luikart | 27 Kaylie Haffield |
| 7 Samantha Peterson | 28 Anders Hastings |
| 8 Tristan Cuypers | 30 Steve Evans |
| 9 Mikayla Gill | |
| 9 Jason Tuttle | |
| 10 Andrew Edblom | |
| 11 Stephanie Granke | |
| 12 Michael Gill | |
| 12 Cathleen Hauge | |
| 14 Annalise Fiebiger | |
| 15 Jeanne Baker | |
| 16 Zach Clement | |
| 17 Josh Berg | |
| 17 Brian Jackson | |
| 17 April Smitke | |
| 17 Stevie Twining | |



Happy April Anniversary

- 1 Don & Janet McTavish
- 3 Jim & Jeanne Atkinson
- 18 Wayne & Peggy Dahlberg
- 20 Bob & Polly Bradley
- 20 Bill & Susie Lannon
- 22 Jon & Liz Peterson
- 27 Rodger & Jean Winter
- 28 Larry & Terri Ruberg



See something wrong? Need a birthday or anniversary changed? Do you receive multiple mailings of *The Parables* at your address and your family only needs one? Help update our records by contacting the office with changes. If you know of someone who needs to be added or deleted from *The Parables* mailing list, please contact us.

Switching to receive by email is also an option!
Thank you!

April 2 – Palm Sunday

[Isaiah 50:4-9a](#); [Psalm 31:9-16](#); [Philippians 2:5-11](#);
[Matthew 26:14--27:66](#); [Matthew 27:11-54](#) (alternate).

Today, we encounter the paradox that defines our faith: Jesus Christ is glorified king and humiliated servant. We too are full of paradox: like Peter, we fervently desire to follow Christ, but find ourselves afraid, denying God. We wave palms in celebration today as Christ comes into our midst, and we follow with trepidation as his path leads to death on the cross. Amid it all we are invited into this paradoxical promise of life through Christ's broken body and outpoured love in a meal of bread and wine. We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year, anticipating the completion of God's astounding work.

April 6 – Maundy Thursday

[Ezekiel 37:1-14](#); [Psalm 130](#); [Romans 8:6-11](#);
[John 11:1-45](#).

In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome the newly baptized as we remember God's unfailing promise in our baptism.

April 7 – Good Friday

[Isaiah 52:13--53:12](#); [Psalm 22](#); [Hebrews 10:16-25](#);
[Hebrews 4:14-16](#); [5:7-9](#); [John 18:1--19:42](#).

Life and death stand side by side as we enter into Good Friday. In John's passion account, Jesus reveals the power and glory of God, even as he is put on trial and sentenced to death. Standing with the disciples at the foot of the cross, we pray for the whole world in the ancient bidding prayer, as Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion, but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed a tree of life. We depart silently, and we anticipate the culmination of the Three Days in the Easter Vigil.

April 9 – Easter Sunday

[Acts 10:34-43](#); [Jeremiah 31:1-6](#) (alternate);
[Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24](#); [Colossians 3:1-4](#);
[Acts 10:34-43](#) (alternate); [Matthew 28:1-10](#);
[John 20:1-18](#) (alternate).

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the

feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

April 16 – Second Sunday of Easter

[Acts 2:14a, 22-32](#); [Psalm 16](#); [1 Peter 1:3-9](#);
[John 20:19-31](#)

In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.

April 23 – Third Sunday of Easter

[Acts 2:14a, 36-41](#); [Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19](#);
[1 Peter 1:17-23](#); [Luke 24:13-35](#)

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

April 30 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

[Acts 2:42-47](#); [Psalm 23](#); [1 Peter 2:19-25](#);
[John 10:1-10](#).

Today is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." Jesus is called the "gate" of the sheep in today's gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world's violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God's tender care to all creation.



FRLC Financial Facts

February budget \$15,254

February general offering \$10,480



Service Teams

Everyone at FRLC is encouraged to participate on a Service Team. If you are not sure which team you are on, please contact the office. Teams serve a different month each year. The schedule for the next three months is:

Team	Captain	Month
Bethlehem	Loren/Patti Slette 525-2914	Apr `22
Hebron	Lynne Compton 525-1226	May `23
Emmaus	Joan Kuettel 391-7680	Jun `23

A 2023 calendar is available for coffee fellowship sign-up. Look for it on the Welcome Center in the narthex.



Introducing the Kronstedts: Joanne and John. Their journey to French River was a long and winding road.

John was born and raised in Minneapolis, the youngest of three children. He was raised Catholic and graduated from Benilde High School. His mother even wanted him to be a priest! Music was at the core of John's existence, and he has played in a band since high school. Do you know, he has 13 guitars!

Joanne was born in Chinchilla, PA, where she lived with her older sister and younger brother in the only house her parents ever owned. Her mom taught Sunday School and her dad was the Treasurer of their church. Joanne sang in the Cherub Choir. Joanne went to college at Penn State and got her degree in computer science; she moved to Maryland and got a job at IBM. It didn't take her long to discover that she couldn't stand being at a desk all day, so she went back to school for her MBA. Since she had friends there, she moved to Fort Meyers, Florida and found a job as the Director of HR for a behavioral health facility.

She and John met on Christmas Eve 2009, online, on a Christian singles dating app. From that point they became very good friends. John flew to Florida to meet her, and they were married on June 12, 2010, in the backyard of his Watertown, MN home. John sang 'Love of My Life' to her at their wedding. Joanne became an instant grandmother to three and they

have welcomed two more. John is a widower with three adult children, all living in the Twin Cities area.

They lived in Watertown, then Waverly, then Cologne, and in each place they were both heavily involved in the worship team.

John had a lifelong dream to live in Duluth and he brought Joanne here several different times, but finding two jobs was difficult. When John retired, Joanne found a job here at Essentia, as the Operations Manager in Neurology. John still does a weekly singalong with his CHOICE clients remotely. In addition to her job at Essentia, Joanne teaches an online class in Healthcare Management for the University of Phoenix; Joanne is a morning person and often gets up at 3:30 in the morning to record her classes.



Joanne, Libby, & John Kronstedt

They have a little Morkie (Maltese/Yorkie cross) named Libby who goes with them everywhere. Besides music, they love antiquing and hiking. John is a beekeeper as well as the cook in the family. And do you know how they found us? They found a flyer inviting them to the Neighborhood Night Out in their mailbox. They came to NNO and went to church the next Sunday and decided to stay! And we love having them! Be sure to say hello when you see them!



French River Lutheran Church

MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 16, 2023

“To live and love as God Commands, accept His Grace, and share the Good News”

2021-2024		2022-2025		2023-2026	
Sheila Leppala	P	Sue Baker	P	ArMand Nelson	P
Ken Peterson	P	Rolf Carlson	P	Dave Edblom	XX
Haeli Pettis	XX			Adam Marks	XX
Loren Slette	P			Others: Barb Jackson	P

P-Present XX-Excused MSC-motion made, seconded, carried ➔-Action Item

1. **Call to order at 7:00 PM by Ken Peterson**
2. **Devotion: Sue Baker**
3. **Adjustment to the agenda**—a few additions were made to new business.
4. **Soup Suppers** – Council hosts March 29th
5. **Devotions for council 2023**
 - A. Apr – Haeli Pettis
 - B. May – ArMand Nelson
 - C. Jun – Dave Edblom
 - D. Aug – Loren Slette
 - E. Sep – Adam Marks
 - F. Oct – Sheila Leppala
 - G. Nov – Rolf Carlson
 - H. Dec – Ken Peterson
 - I. Jan '24 – Pastor Kim
6. **Offering Counters: *helps with communion**
 - A. March 19 – Adam*, Sheila or Loren
 - B. March 26 – Rolf*, Ken
 - C. April 2 – Sue*, Loren
 - D. April 9 - Sheila* (7:00 communion)
 - E. April 9 – Ken*, Loren
 - F. April 16 – ArMand*, Dave
 - G. April 23 – Haeli*, Rolf
 - H. April 30 – Adam*, Sue
7. **Financial Report:**
 - A. Ken emailed reports.
 - B. Discussion about reduction in giving to-date.
 - C. Approved January financials. MSC (ArMand/Loren)
8. **Secretary's Report:**
 - A. Approved February secretary's report via email on February 19th (majority approved plus the president)
9. **Pastor's Report – Highlights for past month**
 - A. Many Lent and Easter activities (Ash Wednesdays, Soup Suppers, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunrise 7 AM (contemporary), Easter 10 AM (blended traditional & contemporary))
 - B. 19 Pastoral visitations (5 home or hospital, 14 call or Zoom)
 - C. Need new energy to help on Stewardship committee – already collected 2023 Time & Talent forms.
 - D. Worship & Music – almost ready for Easter and related services.
 - E. Maundy Thursday will be a healing service with communion.
 - F. Next Mutual Ministry meeting – Pastor Kim will send dates to Rolf
 - i. Rolf Carlson, Carol Surine, Kim Burke, Ken Peterson, Steve Berntson
10. **Standing Reports: *reports submitted**
 - A. Approved standing committee reports. MSC (Sheila/Loren)
 - B. Christian Life (*liaison: ArMand Nelson, Dave Edblom, Haeli Pettis*)
 - i. Faith Formation (Youth/Sunday School, Confirmation, Adult Education/Bible Study)
 - ii. Hospitality (Compassion/Care*: Prayer Shawls, Wellness/BP Screening, Sunshine Ministry, Scrap Happy Quilters)
 - iii. Long Range Planning

- iv. Memorial
- v. Worship/Music* (Altar Guild)
- C. Mission Life Committees (*liaison: Sue Baker*)
 - i. Outreach* (Seafarers; Scholarship; Compassion/Care: CHUM, MN Foodshare, Days for Girls)
 - ii. Stewardship (Eco Faith)
- D. Operations (*liaisons: Adam Marks, Loren Slette*)
 - i. Audit
 - ii. Finance*
 - iii. Property
- E. Women of French River* (WOFR / WELCA) Auxiliary
- F. Executive Committee (Pastor, President, VP, Secretary)
 - i. Mutual Ministry
 - ii. Staff Relations

11. Correspondence**12. Old Business**

- A. Easter Breakfast 8:00-10:00 - Loren Slette, Phil Strom
- B. Fellowship Hall floor
 - i. Approved changing the budget for Fellowship Hall floor and adjacent projects from \$20,000 to \$22,500, to include ceiling tile replacement. MSC (Ken, ArMand)
 - ii. Agenda topic from Special Congregational Meeting, March 19th: "Seeking approval, not to exceed \$22,500, for Fellowship Hall floor and adjacent projects"
- C. Moving Memorial Funds for from one project to another –plan to update policy and procedure to include that we will let future donors know if projects completed and there are left over funds, they will move to the undesignated funds account.
- D. Outdoor Worship Space
 - i. Working on staining samples
 - ii. Planning dedication for Lake Superior Sunday, possibly in August of 2023
- E. Sabbatical application submission - Grant application submitted on March 20th, will hear response in August
- F. Photo directory update: Looking for a volunteer to coordinate this.
- G. Contemporary music equipment has been installed.
 - i. Worked with John Kronstedt and Don Schraufnagel on March 11th in which we completed install.
 - ii. If music software is purchased this year, will fund with from Music & Worship budget.

13. New Business

- A. Time & talent forms – double check that they were sent to committees.

14. Upcoming:

- A. Council Meeting minutes email approval deadline Sunday, March 19th
- B. Parables Deadline — Wednesday, March 15, 9:00 A.M.
- A. Executive: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 5:45 P.M.
- B. Finance: Monday, April 10, 2023 6:00 P.M.
- C. Council: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

15. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.**16. Closing with The Lord's Prayer**

Submitted by Sheila Leppala, Secretary

Stewardship--EcoFaith

The EcoFaith Network of NE-MN is made up of congregations, individuals, and other partners across the Northeastern Minnesota Synod and beyond. The current co-chairs of the EcoFaith network are Kristin Foster, retired pastor, and Dave Carlson, pastor at Gloria Dei in Duluth.

Mission of the EcoFaith Network of the NE-MN Synod: *to live out God’s call to be stewards of the earth for the sake of the whole creation.*



Date	Ushers	Lector	Communion Assistant.* /Counter	Coffee Fellowship
2	Dick & Marilyn Story	Kevin Stroom	Sue Baker*/Loren Slette	
6		Joel Huenneman		
7	Jim & Sandy Dahlberg	Ann Rankila		
9	7am: Doug & Lynne Compton/ 10am: Kevin S. & Jacquie E.	7am: Haeli Pettis/ 10am: Skipper Sironen	7am: Sheila Leppala* & 10a: Ken Peterson*/Loren Slette	
16	Steve & Sue Baker	Jacquie Eubanks	ArMand Nelson*/ Dave Edblom	
23	Chris & Ann Rankila	Dave Edblom	Haeli Pettis*/Rolf Carlson	
30	Rex & Elda Hein	Elda Hein	Adam Marks*/Sue Baker	

Prayer Chain: Babs Strom 525-6200; Altar Guild: Mary Ann Sironen; Coffee Fellowship: Bethlehem – Loren/Patti Slette 525-2914

Ways to Worship

At this time, FRLC is having in-person worship, as well as the option to worship virtually.

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