



Good News at Renner Lutheran

May 2024

“For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.”

Romans 8:14

Our Mission:

In sharing the Lord’s Word, we: make disciples, love God and neighbor, grow in God’s grace and knowledge, glorify God!

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Greetings Child of God,

Spring always seems to be the season of hope and possibility. We are currently immersed in Eastertide and the good news of the resurrection of our Lord, busy with the conclusion of our Sunday School and Confirmation programming, celebrating graduates, and looking forward to settling into the quieter, perhaps lighter, season of summer.

This spring Faye and I (along with the expertise of Kevin Stillson) have been learning about how to update our website. Faye is working to consistently keep the calendar of events up to date and have our relevant information available there. And we have developed within our website a button that you will find in the top right corner of the homepage that says, “ChurchTrac.” This will be the hub of all things Renner Lutheran! When you click on that link you will have at your fingertips all that is current including any events, a place to make a private prayer request, and you can easily navigate to our latest online worship service (especially nice for you who travel in the summer!). If you choose to make a secure account in ChurchTrac, you will have access to your giving records at any time, you can make an electronic donation, and you can update your personal information like address, email, or phone number as ChurchTrac is our main secure church database. You could even upload a picture of yourself... and if we all uploaded a picture, well, it would be easy to print a new directory for our church family right from our own database!

Also new is Midco phone and internet service at Renner Lutheran! Thank you to those who faithfully watch online for your patience over two months of our livestream NOT working. We are very grateful for this fresh start and grateful for our tech team who have worked diligently and patiently throughout this process!

God’s Peace Be with You, Pastor Laura

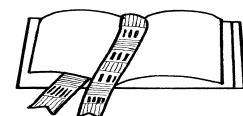
May 5, John 15:9-17

May 12, John 17:6-19

May 19, John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

May 26, John 3:1-17

Gospel Readings for May



RLC Church Council Minutes – April 9, 2024

In Attendance: Pastor Laura Phillips, Nancy Houlihan, Mary Lei, Wendy Madsen, Tim Eggers, Jon Hofstad, Natalie Lavender, Mike Eggers, David Atherton, Deanne Kracht, Amanda Dieren, Amy Marsh, Faye Berghorst

Absent: Rahn Siemonsma, Harold Ahlers

GENERAL COUNCIL

Call to Order – Nancy Houlihan

Mission Statement: Sharing our Lord's Word, we: Make disciples; love God and neighbor, grow in God's grace and knowledge; glorify God!

Devotions—Pastor Laura – Lead devotions from our bulletin insert, "Taking faith home", reading the scripture and then asking the question, "Do you find it easy or difficult to forgive someone?" and a discussion followed.

Council Secretary's Report—Approval via email.

Financial Secretary's Report—Mary presented her report, General offering \$15,602.00, Globe \$126.72, Youth \$20.00, Interest \$8.05, Wednesday Meals \$511.00 and Other Giving (Easter Lilies) \$296.00. Total Deposit \$16,563.77. David made a motion to approve the financial report, Wendy seconded, the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – From Wendy's report, Total All Giving \$16,563.77 which is above the Budget of \$12,448.42. YTD Total All Giving: \$38,981.83, which is below the Budget of \$50,656.66. Expenses \$14,518.94, below the Budget of \$17,592.41. Expenses YTD \$46,686.45 which is lower than Budget of \$52,845.40. Looking ahead, our insurance will be increasing along with the cost of our garbage service. Mike made a motion to approve the Treasurer report, Natalie seconded, the motion carried.

Pastor's Report – Since our last Council Meeting:

- Lent and the entire Easter season has been very busy and everything went extremely well.
- Normal Ministry now continues and there will be a meeting with the 4 young people that will be confirmed on Wednesday, April 24th from 7-8 pm to rehearse and turn in their projects and will be Confirmation will be held on April 28, 2024.
- Visitations and prayers have continued for our members who are ill or have been hospitalized.
- Pastor Laura did attend the Spring Theological Conference in Brookings on April 2nd, 3rd and 4th.
- We will honor our High School Graduates during our church service on May 5, 2024. Our graduates are: Rylan Aman, Gavin Johnson, Bailey Schipper and Chase Obbink. Mary made a motion to approve the Pastor's report and Amy seconded, the motion carried.
- A discussion was held regarding our summer Wednesday Boost services or to replace those services with a 16 week Bible study, "The Greatest Story", which will give all participants an overview of the entire Bible. Because of low attendance, the decision was made to try the Bible Study this summer beginning on May 8, 2024. A motion was made by Amy and seconded by Deanne to proceed with the Bible Study. A sign-up sheet will be circulated as books will need to be purchased. Mary made a motion to approve the Pastor's report, Tim seconded, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Education

- A very successful Easter Egg hunt was held indoors on March 23rd and was well attended! Thank you to all who donated candy to fill eggs and volunteered their time to make this event a success!
- The last day of Sunday School will be on May 5, 2024. The Sunday School children will be singing and presenting their memory work during our church service and will be serving treats afterward.
- Vacation Bible School is tentatively set for August 6,7 and 8, 2024 and plans are being made to again make this a success. As plans are finalized, more information will be given. Mike made a motion to approve the report, Tim seconded, the motion carried..

Board of Deacons

- All readers and communion servers are covered through May 12th. Pastor again will announce that there is a signup sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Wendy made a motion to approve the report, Amanda seconded, the motion carried.

Board of Trustees

- Mike did check into the letter from the elevator company and was advised that the additional maintenance suggested was not. Tim sprayed insecticide to help eliminate the box-elder bugs and bees and wasps that were finding their way into the church. Mike also contacted Midco to come and fix the areas that sunk in after the rains in our parking area due to the new cable that was laid. The areas have been flagged until that issue is resolved. Tim and Mike will look into scheduling a Spring Clean-Up day for the grounds surrounding the church. Mike will also check on the peeling paint and report at our next meeting. Wendy made a motion to approve the report, Dee seconded, motion carried.

Executive Board

OLD BUSINESS

Easter Holy Week was a great success and was well attended!

We finalized the meal plans for the Amanda Ellison Concert on April 27th. Meat and buns will be provided by the council and we will pass a sign up sheet for salads and desserts and also to obtain a general idea of how many will be attending.

NEW BUSINESS—No New Business

SUGGESTION BOX: No new suggestions

Organizational Meetings

- WELCA and Men in Mission—Meet Saturday April 13 , 2024, at 9:00 a.m.
- Adult Supper Club will meet here at RLC on April 27th, participating in the potluck for after the Amanda Ellison Concert.

OTHER GIVING MISSIONS

- We will give \$197.00 will be donated to Amanda Ellison as part of the love offering for her performance. Tim made a motion to approve this donation, Mike seconded, the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 6:30 Committees and 7:00 Full Council

Server: Wendy Madsen

Devotions: Deanne Kracht

ADJOURNMENT AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Respectfully submitted by Faye Berghorst, Secretary.

MEN IN MISSION FOR APRIL

There were 8 men present for our April 13th meeting. We enjoyed great fellowship along with coffee and rolls. For our business meeting we decided to begin making Faith Chests on Tuesday evenings when Royce will be ready for this project. It was decided that men can help where needed for any church projects. There will be an Ice Cream Social in June. Our Bible Study led by Paul was entitled Servanthood. We studied about the Last Supper from Luke 22. After a healthy discussion we closed with the Lord's Prayer. Our next meeting will be May 11.

Doug Knudson reporting



April WELCA

There were 7 present for our April 13 meeting. Lorie G served coffee treats . Pastor Laura led a wonderful Bible study on John 3:17. Kathy called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasury has \$713.46 . Kathy will attend the Spring Crossroads Conference at Spirit of Joy on April 20. The concert on April 27 will be at 4:00 with the Preacher's Daughter, Amanda Elison. There will be a free will offering and pot luck dinner following at 5:30. Those with the last name starting A-M are asked to bring salad, The second half of the alphabet to bring dessert or bars. WELCA will provide condiments and drinks. Mike Eggers will make the beef for sandwiches. We will take special offerings throughout the summer for the Angel Fund (Sioux Falls School District's Child Nutrition Service) which is used to provide school lunches for children in need. The Birthday song was sung for Kathy. Offering was taken and we closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Pastor announced that a summer Bible study which will cover the whole Bible will begin in May at 6:30. This will be instead of the regular BOOST services usually held during the summer. There will be study books available.

Thanks Linda for taking notes in my absence, Mary Knudson

Renner Financials for March 2024

SUMMARY MONTHLY FINANCIALS FOR MARCH 2024

Total All Giving:	\$ 16,563.77	Budget \$ 12,448.42
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Expenses:	\$ 14,518.94	Budget: \$ 17,592.41
Expenses Year to Date:	\$ 46,686.45	Budget: \$ 52,845.40
2024 Line of Credit Limit \$24,000.00		
Line of Credit Balance (Interest Rate 10.00%)	\$.00	Available: \$ 24,000.00
Checking Account Balance (per Bank statement):		\$ 58,699.64
Uncleared Transactions		\$ +2,708.12*
Funds Available (includes remaining Line of Credit)		\$ 85,407.76
First National Bank COD-General Funds		\$ 20,669.01
Each month, 1.26% of our General Offerings are given to Mission Support/Mar		\$ 196.58
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A detailed report of monthly financials is available for your review in the 3 ring binder located on the table outside the Pastor's office door.

Endowment Fund Balance:	\$ 572.59
Endowment COD	\$ 14,328.10

Wendy Madsen, RLC Treasurer and Mary Lei, RLC Financial Secretary



April Attendance at RLC

Sunday, April 7:	57
Sunday, April 14:	54
Sunday, April 21:	82
Sunday, April 28:	95

SAVE THE DATE

RLC Adult Supper Club

This month we will be meeting at El Tapatio in Brandon

Saturday, May 11th at 5:00p.m.

RSVP to Cindy McBreen



On April 27th at RLC a very inspirational concert was provided to all attendees by Amanda Ellison (A Precher's Daughter), with a wonderful time of fellowship and meal after the concert! A HUGE thank you to everyone who helped make this such a successful and fun event!



Confirmation Sunday
April 28, 2024
Congratulations and blessings to:
(From left to right)
Elli Wilson
Brooklyn Bangasser
Tenley Black
Nikkole Thompson

We give thanks for the gift of baptism for each of you who made public affirmation of your baptism. May God be with you and bless you always.



Happy Mother's Day

"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue." PROVERBS 31:25-26



Upcoming Events to Keep in Mind!

Dream Weavers: Meets every Monday at 1:00 pm at RLC. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, May 5: The Childrens Sunday School Classes will sing at the worship service and it is also the last day of Sunday School.

Sunday, May 5: 2024 High School Graduates, Gavin Johnson and Chase Obbink will be recognized during our worship service.

Saturday, May 11: Men in Mission and WELCA meet at RLC at 9:00.

Saturday, May 11: Adult Supper Club meets at El Tapatio in Brandon at 5:00.

Sunday, May 12: 2024 High School Graduate, Rylan Aman will be recognized during our worship service.

Thursday, June 27: We will be sponsoring **Food To You Distribution** at St. John Lutheran Church and your help would be much appreciated!



May Birthdays

- 1 - Allen Busmann
- 2 - Deb Busmann, Gracie Wilson
- 3—David Atherton
- 4—Lisa Siemonsma
- 5 - Dee Christenson, Kayla Turner
- 7 - Jay Peterson, Dorothy Pedde
- 8 - Bill Reimnitz
- 10 - Crystal Aman
- 11— Ron Nichols
- 16 – Daniel Bangasser. Phillip Eggers
- 17-Richie Christenson
- 21—Kelle Eggers
- 23 –June Dieren
- 28 –Jon Siemonsma
- 29 - Julia Ask, Christi Reit
- 30 - Faye Berghorst, Duane Krumbach, Bill Peterson

If there are any mistakes or omissions please contact Mary Knudson, 605-413-7404.



May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 9:30 Worship with Communion, 10:30 Sunday School	6 1:00 Dream Weavers	7 6:30 Council Committees Meet, 7:00 Full Council 3:30 Pastor's Text Study	8 6:30 Bible Study	9	10	11 Men in Mission and WELCA 9:00 Adult Supper Club 5:00
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CHURCH, ELCA**

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Sunday School at 10:30 am

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