

First & Palisade Lutheran Parish



August 2023



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

All worship services in August will start at 10:00 am.

August

6th—Joint Worship w/Communion at First Lutheran

13th—Joint OUTDOOR Worship w/Communion at Palisade Lutheran
(Bring your lawn chair!)

11:00 am—1:00 pm Sunday Fun Day with Pie & Ice Cream Social

20th—Joint Worship at First Lutheran

27th—Joint Worship at Palisade Lutheran



Sept 3rd—Joint Worship at First Lutheran

**We will return to individual services
on Sunday, Sept 10th.**

Worship at First Lutheran will be at 9:00 am

Worship at Palisade Lutheran will be at 10:30 am



The following is an article by David Lose, formerly of Luther Seminary, on a passage of scripture we talked about a few weeks ago. I found it insightful as we continue to struggle with our place as Christians in an ever growing non-Christian world.

I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.
Peace, Pastor Mark

“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!”
Matthew 10:24-25

This line seems to me to be the key to this larger set of passages of warning and promise, as Jesus tells his disciples that they should expect no better treatment than he himself has received. As I read these words on a pleasant July morning sitting on the porch of my home, it occurs to me that these words are not just for Jesus’ “original” disciples, but for all those who would follow him since.

So, I’ll ask it this way: if the one we call “Lord” and “Son of God” were rejected, falsely accused, beaten, and eventually crucified, how can we expect much more as those who identify as his followers and servants? Yet to be a Christian today, particularly in the Western world, is to profess a set of beliefs, to attend occasional worship, and to enjoy a relatively comfortable status in the larger culture. Can this possibly be like anything Jesus imagined, or Matthew and his community, or the early centuries of Christians who knew little more than minority status in a largely indifferent and at times hostile world?

Or to put matters more bluntly: if those who follow the crucified Messiah do not share in his suffering in any discernible way, can we truly be called his followers? I have no answer and I mean by my query no judgment. But the question haunts me.

Perhaps we should rejoice that the world and culture at some distant point recognized the lordship of Jesus and drew the Christian faith so warmly and fully into its embrace. Or perhaps we should be suspicious of that relationship.

Either way, the larger relationship between the world and Christianity seems now to be under re-negotiation, as broad elements of the culture seem again disinterested in the goings-on of those who claim to follow Jesus. Is this cause for alarm or rejoicing? Does it present a crisis or an opportunity?

Again, I have no answers. But they seem like the questions we should be about.

Prayer: Dear God, no one asks for suffering, for rejection, for persecution. But we do ask that we might be faithful and for the ability to do what is required that we might witness to your grace, mercy, and compassion as we know them through Jesus. In Jesus’ name, Amen.



First Lutheran is accepting donations for the **Organ Renovation Fund**

The first phase of the project is \$18,000 and will include:

- Complete rebuild of wind chests with stability upgrades.
- Complete restoration and overhaul of organ pipes w/climate resistive upgrades for tuning stability.
- Wind chests to be upgraded with diode controlled direct electric valve magnets and advanced sealing techniques to reduce seasonal swelling and shrinking.

Donations can be placed in the offering plate or mailed to First Lutheran Church, PO Box 190, Valley Springs, SD 57068

The American Legion in Garretson, SD is serving breakfast!

(504 N. Main, Garretson SD)



**Make plans to attend on Sunday,
August 6th, 9am—1pm**



Serving: French toast & sausage and Biscuits & Gravy

Freewill Donation



Find us on Facebook:

@FirstLutheranValleySprings

@PalisadeLC

Sunday morning worship services are livestreamed on Facebook every Sunday!



Newsletter articles and information may be mailed to:

Tylene Jansma
1019 St Highway 23
Beaver Creek, MN 56116

Or emailed to: btjansma@alliancecom.net

DEADLINE for the September newsletter is August 24th.



First Lutheran Council meets at 7 pm
on **Tuesday, August 15th**

Palisade Council meets at 7 pm
on **Thursday, August 10th**

2023 Palisade Lutheran Council

President Peter Bakken
Vice President Gary Lyngen
Secretary Cheryl Lyngen
Treasurer Tylene Jansma
Deacon Candace Reese
Deacon JoEllen Benson
Deacon Kelvin Edmundson
Trustee Matt Sorenson
Trustee Nick Dagele
Trustee David Swenson
Board of Ed Leilani Kruger
Board of Ed Melissa Edmundson

Delegates
Tuff Home: Richard and Linda Bakken
Synod Assembly: Peter Bakken

2023 First Lutheran Council

President Les Hengeveld
Vice President Don Johnson
Secretary Mary Finck
Treasurer Jerry Kerkhove
Deacon Darice Boeve
Deacon Linda Hengeveld
Deacon Dave Artz
Trustee Eric Jacobs
Trustee Dennis Roozenboom
Trustee Lynn Nielson
Board of Ed Jack & Lesley Schoolcraft
Board of Ed Shannon Jacobs
Board of Ed Art Aadland

Delegates
Tuff Home: Dennis Boeve and Jerry Kerkhove
Synod Assembly- Mary Finck and Lynn Nielson

**Join us in worship with
Pastor Mark Eliason**
Serving
First Lutheran Church
300 Maple Street
Valley Springs, SD 57068
&
Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st Street
Garretson, SD 57030
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OUR NEXT
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17TH
AT 7:00 PM
AT PALISADE LUTHERAN

**2023 PARISH
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**
PRESIDENT Dennis Roozenboom
VICE PRESIDENT Gary Lyngen
SECRETARY Les Hengeveld
TREASURER Candace Reese

PALISADE LUTHERAN CHURCH

PIE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, August 13, 2023

11 AM – 1 PM

Menu includes grilled hamburger or hotdog, salad, chips
& featuring **HOMEMADE** pie with ice cream!



Free-Will Donation

Proceeds will be used to fund WELCA projects.

Thrivent Action Team Sponsored event

EVERYONE WELCOME!

No Cost Raffle
Drawings for Prizes
Must be present to
win

SUNDAY FUN DAY ACTIVITIES

Watermelon served outside
Outdoor Lawn Games

Worship service on the lawn at 10 AM

Location: Rural Rock County, MN
Corner of MN Hwy 23 and County Rd 5 (121st Street)



Palisade Lutheran Council Meeting

July 13, 2023

The Palisade Church Council was called to order by President Peter Bakken @ 7pm. Others present were Pastor Mark Eliason, Tylene Jansma, Matt Sorenson, Candy Reese, Kelvin Edmundson Gary and Cheryl Lyngen.

Devotions and Prayer given by Pastor Mark

Secretary's report: read, motion approved and placed on file

Additional-Special Meeting report on June 25th. This meeting for Tree Trimming around the Church Proper given, motion approved and place on file

Treasure's report: reviewed, discussed, motion approved and placed on file for audit

Pastor's report: Reports 2 funerals(Lyle Stensland and Arla Bakken) were preformed Valley Springs Booster Day, joint Church Service @ ball field @ 10 am (will be moved to Valley Reformed Church if inclement weather)

Outreach Team: Peter has applied to Thrivent funding support for August Sunday Funday

Next Outreach Meeting will be July 17th @ 6:30

150th Anniversary Task Force: Will be meeting July 27th @ 7pm @ Palisade Church. Plan to update addresses and send out "Save the Date" cards

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

- Camera system-1 problem found was current computer is not "fast enough" for the camera system. A motion was made by Candy, second by Gary that should a "faster" computer be found, a cap of \$1000.00 to spend was approved, discussed, motion passed
- Safe-records have been received and placed. Need to be "organized"
- Rod Hammerstrom (Speaker) - Deb Kruger and Pastor to coordinate this event, Possibly in September.
- Tree trimming-has been done, invoice received, costs to be coordinated with Cemetery Board

New Business:

- Approve May 11th meeting minutes and treasure's reports as No Quorum at that time
- AED training - Garretson Ambulance/Gail Nelson-Pete will contact to set up a time. All members are welcome to come to this event
- Mice/Orkin - Pete has contacted as in need of better rodent control
- Air Conditioner-one was in need of cleaning/repair, bill has been received and paid

Next meeting will be August 10th at 7 pm

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Cheryl Lyngen, Secretary



First Lutheran Council Minutes

July 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Les Hengeveld with 6 members present and Pastor Mark.

Pastor Mark opened with remarks on the enthusiasm of the VBS students, and a blessing for them.

Secretary's Report MSC to approve the secretary's report, with the correction "the cost of doors and closures is approximately \$3200 plus installation."

Treasurer's Report MSC to approve the treasurer's report.

Parsonage Report MSC to approve the parsonage report - Balance is \$17,263.65 The check for the ramp to the south door has not cleared the bank.

Pastor's Report - Pastor will be starting confirmation in the fall and needs a list of those students going into 7th grade. Sunday Funday at Palisades is August 13. It will be an outdoor service that morning, so bring your lawn chair. There will be a "No cost Raffle" and you must be present to win. Volunteers are needed to help with the event.

Old Business:

Computers already purchased are inadequate for streaming church services. Palisades agreed to support purchase of new ones, up to \$1000 each. First also agreed to this plan.

Evangelism flyer is ready to be sent in August.

MSC to deposit \$5000 of parsonage funds in a CD at Ed Jones for one year.

New Business:

Council recommends that First and Palisades attend a church service at St. Dymas. Pastor will check out dates available, and necessary paperwork.

Discussion held on making and selling lefse as a fund raiser for the organ fund. Jerry Kerkove has the recipe, and will head up the project. This will be discussed again in August, with orders to be taken in September & October for delivery at Thanksgiving or Christmas season. This will be a church wide fundraiser, with men, women, and willing youth to help.

Next Council meeting is August 15, 2023.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Finck, Secretary



Palisade WELCA Minutes

July 13, 2023

The Palisade WELCA met on Thursday, July 13th, 2023, at 1:30pm with six members present.

Pastor Mark opened with prayer and led Bible study, "Salvation now" Promised salvation now: Jesus brings wellness."

Business meeting called to order by Candy.

Secretary's report distributed. No discussion. A motion to approve, second, and to accept report as read. Report was filed.

The treasurer's report was distributed and discussed. Checking balance as of July 10th was \$2561.04. MSC and report was filed.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: August 13th Pie and Ice Cream social was discussed. Ongoing discussion of working funerals. Asking for help and involving men is working well.

New Business: None.

The next Outreach meeting is Monday, July 17th at 6:30pm. Committee for the 150th Celebration will meet Thursday, July 27th at 7pm.

Next WELCA meeting is Thursday, August 10th at 1:30.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Deb Johnson, Secretary

Celebrating
150
Years



**Palisade Lutheran will be
celebrating their 150 year anniversary
on **Sunday, April 14, 2024!****

Do you have:

Confirmation pictures dated 2015 to current year?

Pictures or information related to the history of Palisade?

Name and address of someone to invite to the celebration?

Please bring to church or email to Pastor Mark at
meliason@sio.midco.net

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August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 10 am Worship w/Communion at First Lutheran	7	8	9	10 1:30 pm Palisade WELCA 7 pm Palisade Council meeting	11	12
13 10 am OUTDOOR Worship w/ Communion At Palisade Lutheran 11 am Pie & Ice Cream Social	14	15 7 pm First Council meeting	16	17 7 pm Parish Council meeting at Palisade	18	19
20 10 am Worship at First Lutheran	21	22	23 Deadline for September newsletter	24	25	26
27 10 am Worship at Palisade Lutheran	28	29	30	31		

Our **Parish** email address is: firstpalisade@alliancecom.net

Church office phone # is: 605-757-6662

Pastor Mark's contact information is:

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