

!!!CHRIST HAS RISEN...HE HAS RISEN INDEED...ALLELUIA!!!

This is the greeting we use on Easter Sunday to announce the Good News that death did not and could not hold Jesus in the tomb. **CHRIST HAS RISEN!!!**

When the women went to the tomb that first Easter morning, they had expectations about what they would see and what they needed to do. Even though they witnessed the brutal and agonizing treatment of their teacher and friend, they knew what they needed to do. Even though Jesus was gone, still they wanted to serve him in a way that others probably would not have done. They went to do for him what the law and tradition required.

But when they arrived their expectations were not met. Instead they encountered an empty tomb in the place where they expected an occupied tomb.

A life of faith is like that, sometimes. Our expectations of what God is doing in our lives is radically changed and if often catches us off guard. We know what we want, but God has other things in mind for us, and God's plan is always the better one.

This Easter season, as we experience the empty tomb, I pray that our expectations of what God is doing in our lives is changed so dramatically, that, like the women that first Easter, we are perplexed. So much so that we come to realize just what the resurrection means for us.

Jesus resurrection means that, just as death could not hold Jesus in the tomb, we too are now free from the power of sin and death and we can say, with boldness, "CHRIST HAS RISEN...HE HAS RISEN INDEED...ALLELUIA!!!

May the risen Lord bring us new and exciting expectations and the joy that only the resurrection can bring.

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN.

A blessed and surprising Easter to all,

Pastor Mark

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICES for the summer months will start on Sunday, May 28th, with the service held at Palisade Lutheran.

All joint worship services start at 10:00 am

Joint services will be held each week—At Palisade one week, then at First the following week, etc.

Sunday, June 4th, Worship will be at First Lutheran





Dale F. Stoltenberg

November 27, 1933—February 25, 2023

A Celebration of Dale's life was held on Thursday, March 2nd, at Palisade Lutheran Church





Harlowe O. Sundem

May 22, 1928—April 6, 2023

A Celebration of Harlowe's life was held on Tuesday, April 11th, at Palisade Lutheran Church



Patricia "Patti" L. Swenson

June 1, 1956—April 8, 2023

A Celebration of Patti's life was held on Friday, April 14th, at Palisade Lutheran Church







Palisade Lutheran is collecting

sweetened & unsweetened cereal

during the month of May for the Rock County Food Shelf and the Garretson Food Shelf.

Cereal can be dropped off in the church entryway at Palisade. The **first Sunday** of every month the American Legion in Garretson, SD Serves breakfast from 9am—1pm Freewill Donation

Make plans to attend on Sunday, May 7th!



504 N. Main, Garretson SD



First Lutheran is starting a prayer chain for members of the congregation.

Responsibilities will be to make calls to others on the prayer chain when the need arises.

If you are interested in participating, there is a signup sheet in the narthex.





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@PalisadeLC

YouTube Channel:

FirstPalisadeLutheranParish



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

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 June newsletter is May 23rd.



Palisade Council meets at 7 pm on Thursday, May 11th

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 Dagel** Trustee David Swenson Board of Ed Leilani Kruger Board of Ed Melissa Edmundson

Delegates

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

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 www.palisadelutheran.org

First Lutheran Council meets at 7 pm on Tuesday, May 16th

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

OUR NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS



THURSDAY, MAY 18TH AT 7:00 PM AT FIRST LUTHERAN

2023 PARISH

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

PRESIDENT Dennis Roozenboom **VICE PRESIDENT** Gary Lyngen **SECRETARY** Les Hengeveld **TREASURER** Candace Reese



The last day of Sunday School

at Palisade Lutheran is May 14th
at First Lutheran is May 21st



Schedule

Palisade Lutheran Council Meeting

April 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, Gary and Cheryl Lyngen.

Secretary's report- read and placed on file

Treasure's report- read and placed on file for audit

Pastor's report- knee recovery slow, Did make 3 hospital visits. Confirmation has resumed meeting. Plans for Reformation Sunday Confirmation Service.

Outreach Team-no update 150th Anniversary Task Force- beginning to organize Correspondence- none

Old Business: Camera-Salesman contacted Defibrillator-is installed, Tylene has received a bill. Pete will check with Lyle for payment. Elevator-Phone board is working great. Kone' will receive calls, determine needs and will dispatch appropriate services. Safe-Measurements of space taken. Matt and Pastor will do price checks at different businesses.

New Business:

Memorials: ones designated will be dispersed as marked. Memorials unmarked were discussed. Tabled until next meeting.

Next meeting will be May 11th at 7 pm

Parish Council will be May 18th @ First

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Cheryl Lyngen, Secretary



First Lutheran Council Minutes April 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Les Hengeveld with 8 members present and Pastor Mark.

Pastor Mark opened with a prayer.

Secretary's Report MSC to approve the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report MSC to approve the treasurer's report. Council decided to give \$50.00 to the Synod to help cover income shortages.

Parsonage Report MSC to approve the parsonage report - balance \$17,000.95

Pastor's Report: Held two funerals last week, and there will be another one this week. There are 2 or 3 weeks left of Confirmation Class. Three are to be confirmed this spring. Visitations have been done mostly by phone.

Old Business:

The sign up list for the prayer chain is available, a couple have signed it. It is optional for members to be on the call list.

The Evangelism event will begin this fall, with an invitation to attend Rally Day.

Doreen's last Sunday as full time organist was Easter Sunday. The family asked to not do a joint service or celebratory gathering.

New Business:

Three outside doors need to be replaced.

Repairs are needed at south door to alleviate water problems. Council will consider bids for a concrete ramp.

Summer schedule will start Memorial Weekend. Church will be at 10:00 am at the alternate churches, every other Sunday, starting with Palisades.

Next Council meeting is May 16, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Finck, Secretary

First & Palisade Lutheran Parish

May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 6:30 pm Confirmation at First Lutheran	4	5	6
7 Palisade 9 am Worship w/ Communion 10 am Sun School First 9:30 am Sun School 10:30 am Worship w/Communion	8	9	10 6:30 pm Confirmation Pizza Party at First Lutheran	11 1:30 pm Palisade WELCA 7 pm Palisade Council meeting	12	13
14 Mother's Day Palisade 9 am Worship 10 am Sun School First 9:30 am Sun School 10:30 am Worship	15	16 7 pm First Council meeting	17	18 7 pm Parish Council meeting at First Lutheran	19	20
21 Palisade 9 am Worship No Sun School First 9:30 am Sun School 10:30 am Worship	22	23 Deadline for June newsletter	24	25	26	27
28 Joint Worship 10am at Palisade	29 Memorial Day	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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