

# First & Palisade Lutheran Parish



October 2023

## OCTOBER WORSHIP

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### *Journeying Together in Christ*

This month we are collecting laundry pods for Church on the Street's Laundry with Love.

All donations will be presented to Pastor Chris Matson on Nov. 12th at the Harvest Fest.



### Sunday, Oct 15th

Lefse sales start at First Lutheran. All profits will go to the Organ Fund.

See inside for details.



Motivational speaker, Rodney Hammerstrom, will be at Palisade Church and share his testimony on **Sunday, October 15th** at the 10:30am service. A freewill offering will be taken for his ministry.

Lunch will be served after the service. Menu is hot ham & cheese, potato salad, cookies, coffee, and lemonade.

### Sunday, October 29th—Confirmation Sunday



### First Lutheran Soup Supper Wednesday, November 1st

5:00 to 7:00 pm,

at the American Legion in Valley Springs. Serving Chili, Taco Soup, and Chicken Noodle Soup, drinks, crackers, bread and dessert are included. Freewill offering. All are welcome.



*After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.*

*Luke 10:1-2*

Can it be true? Is it October already? Where did the summer go? As we watch the farmers go back into the fields to harvest their crops, I am always amazed. As I look back over the spring, summer and fall, as I make the almost daily trip from Sioux Falls to each church, I see how quickly the crops grow and mature. It seems as though I could stop and sit for awhile and actually see them getting taller.

How does all this happen? What makes the seed sprout and grow? I know there are people out there who could explain all this to me, but I prefer to be blissfully ignorant and marvel at how God, in God's infinite wisdom, can produce from almost nothing, corn and beans and wheat and flowers, and even weeds. Think about it, take a small seed, drop it in the ground, add some water and maybe some fertilizer, and within a few days it pushes its way up through the ground and before you know it, it is 7 feet tall and ready to be harvested. And when that time comes there is no choice but to go into the fields and do what needs to be done, harvest the crop.

In Luke 10 Jesus is saying the same thing to the disciples (and to us too). But the difference is that the harvest Jesus is talking about is not limited to a specific time of the year. This harvest is a daily need for workers.

If we look around today, we might make one of two assessments. If we look at statistics about church growth, we're likely to despair and assume that the harvest has withered on the vine and that our best days are behind us. But if we look to statistics – and stories – of people in need, then we realize immediately that there has never been a better time for the church to be the community of Jesus, reaching out in blessing and good news to heal the sick, feed the hungry, comfort the afflicted, and befriend the lonely. There are quite literally more people who need to hear of God's grace and be touched by God's love than ever before. And we are the people called to be laborers in this harvest.

Yes, the harvest is always ready, and we are called to go into God's fields, our neighborhoods, our towns, our state, our world. It won't always be easy, but it will be rewarding. There is lots of work to do and not many to do it. So, we work together, along with the Lord of the harvest, to be God's blessing to those who need a blessing and to reap what God has sown.

God's blessing to you as you go into God's fields.

Peace,  
Pastor Mark

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](mailto:meliason@sio.midco.net) or to [palisadechurch@alliancecom.net](mailto:palisadechurch@alliancecom.net)

A bulletin board has been started in the Palisade basement displaying items telling Palisade history in preparation for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration April 14, 2024.

If you have pictures of past activities or stories to share, contact Linda.  
Many of these items will be displayed for the anniversary celebration.  
Check often to see what new “old” things show up there.

The Palisade quilting group will meet Wednesday mornings October 11 through November 8 at the church at 9AM to assemble quilts for missions.

No experience needed! Just a fun morning together making quilts. Contact Linda Bakken or Dottie Matus if interested in helping. Bring a friend.

All are welcome to help.



**The American Legion  
in Garretson, SD**

is serving breakfast on

**Sunday, Oct 1st, from 9am—1pm**

**Serving: Omelets and Toast/Scrambled  
Eggs and Ham**

**Freewill Donation**

*Sunday, October 8th is*

**Pastor  
APPRECIATION  
DAY**

Thank you Pastor Mark  
for your ministry!

# *IT'S TIME FOR LEFSE!!*



As with everything that gets older and used a lot, First Lutheran's organ needs repairs and upgrades. Members have been generously contributing to the Organ Fund. As part of the fundraising, LEFSE (the food that cures all ills...so Ole and Lena say) is being fried at First Lutheran this fall by a very talented team of LEFSE ladies and men. We make authentic Scandinavian LEFSE because only REAL potatoes are used! All profits will be going towards the Organ Fund.

Some packages are available after church beginning October 15th with sales ending just before Christmas. Stop by the table in the narthex as you leave to buy yours. Or place your order at any time on the order form at the back of the church. You can also call Darice Boeve (507) 962-3729 or Mary Finck (605) 757-6642 with your order.

**Packages with 8 rounds are being sold for \$10.**



**Now accepting donations of baskets & buckets!**

**PALISADE LUTHERAN HARVEST FEST  
WITH  
BASKET & BUCKET DRAWINGS**


Something for everyone!

**Sunday, Nov. 12th, 11:30 am—1:30 pm**

Serving scalloped potatoes & ham, sliced ham, buns, salads and homemade bars. **FREEWILL DONATION**

Fundraiser for the Garretson Food Shelf & Church on the Street

**\$1 ticket = 1 chance to win a basket or bucket!**

 **The more tickets you buy, the more chances you have to win. Drawings will be at 1:00 pm. (Need not be present to win)**

Join us for worship at 10:30 am with Pastor Chris Matson  
Lead Pastor of Church on the Street

We are located at 211 121st St, Garretson, SD  
(corner of MN Hwy 23 & County Rd 5)

Weather date:  
Sunday, Nov 19th



## Palisade Lutheran Council Meeting

September 14, 2023

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

**Devotions and Prayer** given by Pastor Mark

**Secretary's report:** July minutes read as no August meeting, placed on file

**Treasure's report:** reviewed, discussed the bill from Kone re: new elevator phone, bill was paid. Budget billing contract from CHS of 2000 gallons for year @ 1.499 /gallon. Motion by Candy, second by Cheryl to pay Summer Fill motion approved. Report to be placed on file for audit

**Pastor's report:** Confirmation class has started. No students this time from Palisade, there are 3 students from First. There will be Confirmation for 1 student on Reformation Sunday @ Palisade.

**Outreach Team:** Report of Sunday Funday:12 volunteers worked, served 85, raised \$2050 Set Harvest Date for Nov 12th

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Task Force:** Continue to update addresses to send out "Save the Date" cards. Next meeting is September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Correspondence:** Reminder from Shetek Stewardship Donation of \$67 quarterly. Motion by Candy, Second by Kelvin to skip as Palisade church contributes more than their recommendation. Motion passed.

### **Old Business:**

Camera system-resolved

Rod Hammerstrom (Speaker) – Service set for Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. A freewill Donation basket will be set up for Rod and his wife. WELCA is serving lite lunch after the service.

AED-no report

Mice/Orkin-no report

Air Conditioner-resolved

### **New Business:**

Sound System-noticed problem on last weeks service, unable to hear music or church attendees on the Facebook page. Could be the mixer. Pastor to look into it.

St Dymus service with First- Date to be determined, but would be a Wednesday @ 4pm

Thermostats-have changed out batteries 3 times, continue to blink. Gary will contact Busse from Luverne regarding suggestions and correction of problem.

Kitchen Mop boards north wall loose. Needs to be re-tacked. Trustees to look at it.

Next meeting will be October 12 at 7 pm. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Cheryl Lyngen, Secretary



## **First Lutheran Council Minutes**

### **September 19, 2023**

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

Pastor Mark opened with a devotion.

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

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

Parsonage Report MSC to approve the parsonage report - After moving \$5,000.00 to a CD, the balance is \$9,527.10.

Pastor's Report - Confirmation has started with three students from First Lutheran. The camera and microphone system is still in process of being installed.

Old Business:

First received a thank you from Ed Jones for the CD deposit.

Palisades is preparing for the 150th. The bishop has confirmed she will be there.

A rough estimate for down spouts upgrade with 25' of drain tile and pop-ups is \$400. MSC to start with west side trenches. October 7, 10:00 am is the date set for installing the system and doing additional fall work around the church yard.

A plumber was consulted about the stinky water in the north bathroom. He suggested the anode was the problem and we should start with that before replacing piping. A new water heater was discussed.

The St. Dysmas service is now held at 4:00 pm on Wednesday afternoon. This would inhibit attendance by working members.

Art Aadland is working on contract for organ refurbishing.

The tables and four chairs from Tuff's are here.

New Business:

Blackburn wants to inspect the sump pump and drain tiles installed at First. The cost is \$100. Les will contact them to request the inspection.

Discussion on raising rent on the parsonage by \$100 per month to help with rising taxes and insurance. Property Mgt. will be asked to give notice to renters.

First Lutheran Soup Supper will be November 1, from 5-7 pm, at the Legion hall.

Next Council meeting is October 17, 2023.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Finck, Secretary



## Palisade WELCA Minutes

September 14, 2023

The Palisade WELCA met on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 1:30pm with 6 members present.

Pastor Mark began with opening prayer and led Bible study, "Salvation now, Session III: A world wanting wellness".

Business meeting called to order.

Secretary's report distributed. No business meeting was held in August. MSC and report was filed.

Treasurer's report distributed. Ice cream social took in \$1,250.00 after \$380.00 expenses paid. Motion to authorize \$250.00 towards buying material for quilting, then seconded & carried. This expense to be added to the list of giving in November. MSC and report was filed.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: Diane has agreed to make pies for our next ice cream social/Sunday Funday on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

New Business: Quilting will begin Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome and no experience necessary.

Motivational speaker, Rodney Hammerstrom, will be here and share his testimony on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Discussion to have lunch after worship. Lunch will be hot ham & cheese, potato salad, cookies, coffee, and lemonade. Anyone wanting to help set up on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> is welcome.

Next WELCA meeting is Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30. This lesson can be found in September/October Gather.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Deb Johnson, Secretary



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@PalisadeLC

Sunday morning worship services are livestreamed on Facebook every Sunday!



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**DEADLINE** for the November newsletter is October 23, 2023





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