

Ebenezer & Tripolis

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CONNECTION NEWSLETTER

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Summer is flying by so quickly. I hope you have had many ways to be with friends and family.

I just attended the Conference of Theology, Arts, and Music at St. Olaf. It was packed with great speakers, music, workshops and worship. Pastors and church musicians from all over the country attended. The gathering was a reminder of the honor and responsibility it is to learn about and share God's word and love in community. The conference leaned into our beloved traditions and offered many ways to build on what we do and love best to worship and share faith.

One exciting part of the conference is the gift of a new liturgy called "Living Voice of Creation." Several new songs by Carol Meier and Hans Peterson are the core of the resource, which includes prayers, poems, and elements for children. And it's free! It's a gift from the Lutheran Center for Faith, Values and Community and the Nourishing Vocation Projects at St. Olaf College. I am eager to share these ideas to help us continue to expand our understanding of God and of God's beloved creation.

May God's grace and peace be with you, *Pastor Sherri*



We hope we can have this event the second week in August at Tripolis. Stay tuned! We'll post on Facebook, our web pages, and in our bulletins as soon as we've determined a date.



KANDIYOHI COMMUNITY PICNIC

FREE
EVENT!

FOOD - KIDS' ACTIVITIES - BOOK GIVEAWAY

EBENEZER LUTHERAN CHURCH
610 ATLANTIC AVE

PULLED PORK SANDWICHES-COWBOY BEANS-COLESRAW
CHIPS-WATERMELON-PICKLES-LEMONADE
ROOTBEER FLOATS

THURSDAY 5:00-6:30 P.M.
20
AUGUST

~ **BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION** ~
HELP US CELEBRATE AND THANK OUR
LOCAL SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS!



SEPTEMBER CONNECTION DEADLINE: AUGUST 24

August 2

Isaiah 55:1-5 Eat and drink that which truly satisfies

Psalms 145:8-9, 14-21

“You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.”

Romans 9:1-5 The glory of God’s people Israel

Matthew 14:13-21 Christ feeding five thousand

August 9

1 Kings 19:9-18 The Lord speaks to Elijah on Mount Horeb

Psalms 85:8-13 “I will listen to what the Lord God is saying.”

Romans 10:5-15 Hearing and confessing the word of faith

Matthew 14:22-33 Jesus walking on the sea

August 16

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 A house of prayer for all peoples

Psalms 67 “Let all the peoples praise you, O God.”

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 God’s mercy to all, Jew and Gentile

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28 The healing of the Canaanite woman’s daughter

August 23

Isaiah 51:1-6 The enduring foundation of God’s salvation

Psalms 138 “O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever.”

Romans 12:1-8 One body in Christ, with gifts that differ

Matthew 16:13-20 The profession of Peter’s faith

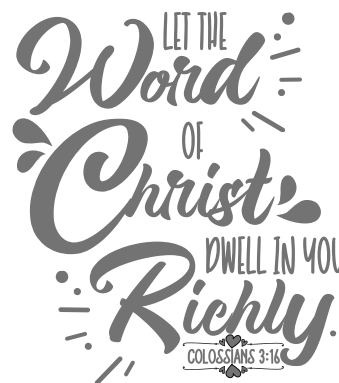
August 30

Jeremiah 15:15-21 God fortifies the prophet against opposition

Psalms 26:1-8 “Your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.”

Romans 12:9-21 Live in harmony

Matthew 16:21-28 The passion prediction and rebuke to Peter



EBENEZER & TRIPOLIS CALENDAR

Saturday, August 1: 6pm Pride worship at Vinje Lutheran

Sunday, August 2: 9:30am Shared worship at Ebenezer

Sunday, August 9: 9:30am Shared worship at Ebenezer, coffee hour to follow

Tuesday, August 11: 7pm Church council meeting at Ebenezer

TBD week of August 10-13: Sweet Corn and Brat feed at Tripolis

Sunday, August 16: 9:30am Shared worship at Ebenezer

Baptism for Samuel Hennes

Thursday, August 20: 5pm Community Picnic

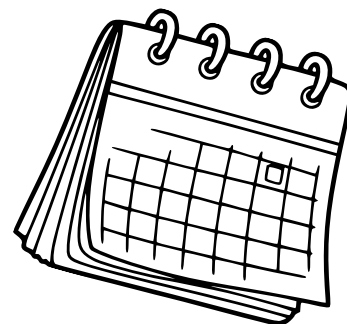
Sunday, August 23: 9:30am Shared worship at Ebenezer

Monday, August 24: Newsletter Article Information Due

Tuesday, August 25: 9am Quilting at Tripolis

Thursday, August 27: Do-Be Doers if needed

Sunday, August 30: 9:30am Shared worship at Ebenezer



Ebenezer Members on Duty

Council Member: Eric Struck

Ushers: (Aug 2-Aug 9) Wayne and Marilyn Zarnott

(Aug 16-Aug 30) Paul Hoffer and Kevin Miller

Greeters: (Aug 2-Aug 9) Carol Benson, Donna Kashmark

(Aug 16-Aug 30) Larry and Lorraine Eickhoff

Altar: Cindy Lindstrand, Mary Redepenning

Flowers: Naomi Struck

Tripolis Members on Duty

Council Members: Jim Oyen, Jeanette Jacobson

Altar: Barb Freeman

Ebenezer Blessing Box

Thank you to Joan Peterson for serving as caretaker in July. Deb and Tom Wodash will oversee the supplies in August. Donations of shelf-stable dry goods are always welcome.



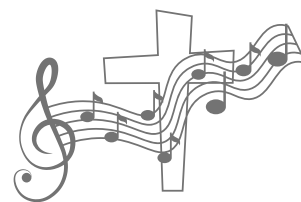
TRIPOLIS BIRTHDAYS

2 Tanner Johnson
2 Lilly Wattnem
3 Maxwell Elfritz
5 Darrel Sunquist
6 Scott Mattson
7 Mike Schliep
7 Andrea Davis
8 Allen Schmidt
8 Curt Stierler
8 Jim Gort
8 Wendell Nash
9 Troy Reynolds
10 Jeremy Alinder
10 Crystal Daigle
12 Mike Jacobson
15 Alaina Holien
16 Evan Johanneck
16 Kiley Mattson
18 Jason Daigle
19 Sara Sietsema
20 Ryan Fostervold
21 Patrick Riley
21 Alex Hoffenkamp
23 Sue Klint
23 Joel Visser
27 Dale Helmke
27 Jeffrey Freeman
28 Brody Stegeman
28 Eliza Stegeman
29 Kalee Knutson
31 Brad Jacobson
31 Mark Pregler



EBENEZER BIRTHDAYS

4 Amanda Stark
7 Konnie Carity
7 Doug Gratz
9 Karen Oswood
10 Ellie McGillivray
11 Ken Oveson, Jr.
13 Ainsley McGillivray
15 Erin Erickson
15 Kylee Struck
15 Virgil Valentine
22 Steve Lang
24 Erica Cuchna
24 Andy VanDerBill
25 Kim Hoeper
26 Allison Peterson
27 Tara Peterson
30 Julie Carlson



Worship Leaders

Musician: Betsy Hallberg

Lectors:

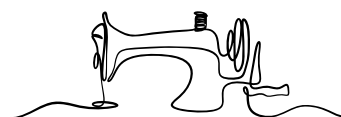
August 2: Mary Redepenning

August 9: Dan Hallberg

August 16: Nancy Kaehler

August 23: Quentin Lindstrand

August 30: Oswoods



Tripolis Quilters:

9am on Tuesday, August 25

Do-Be-Doers Quilting

Thursday, August 27 at 9am if needed

TRIPOLIS ANNIVERSARIES

7 James & Sarah Oyen
8 Lance & Lisa Ziehl
13 Cody & Brooke Simenson
15 Richard & Sheila Bosch
21 Allan & Linda Bjornberg
21 Kelly & Mary Gruis

EBENEZER ANNIVERSARIES

4 Tim & Angela Redepenning
10 Jon & Myla Lindstrand
21 Tom & Allison Peterson
28 Dan & Betsy Hallberg
28 Andy & Brittany VanDerBill



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