



# PIONEER LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER

## SEPTEMBER 2022

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### PIONEER LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING September 7, 2022

Pioneer Lutheran Church Council met September 7, 2022, with all members present except Kevin Quail. President, Val Hicks, opened the meeting at 5:50 PM.

Teri Johnson led devotions.

Secretary's Report written by Laura Quail at last meeting was read by the secretary. Charlotte Mickelson moved; Julie Peterson seconded to approve. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was explained by Julie. Bill Powers moved; Laura seconded to approve the report. Motion passed.

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Directory progress discussed and reviewed. Val will print copies.
2. Val will continue digitizing past records this coming winter.
3. Church siding needs painting. 2023 budget will reflect paint budget.
4. Call Committee – no activity at this time.

5. Outreach Committee – Study of Women of the Bible begins Sept 10, 2022, at 9 AM. Asking Steve to set up computer for video showing. A second Sign Paint Party is scheduled for November 1, 2022.

6. Kitchen sink – Darryl Stahl is beginning that project of a custom sink to fit the space.

7. Fall Festival – Sept 18, 2022, at 4 PM with music. Meal at 4:30 PM. Live auction at 6 PM

8. Laura in contact with fellow from Lutheran church in Clear Lake to view and recommend solutions to noise in fellowship hall.

#### NEW BUSINESS

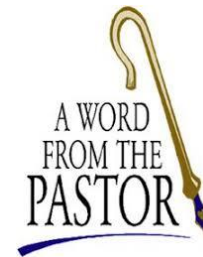
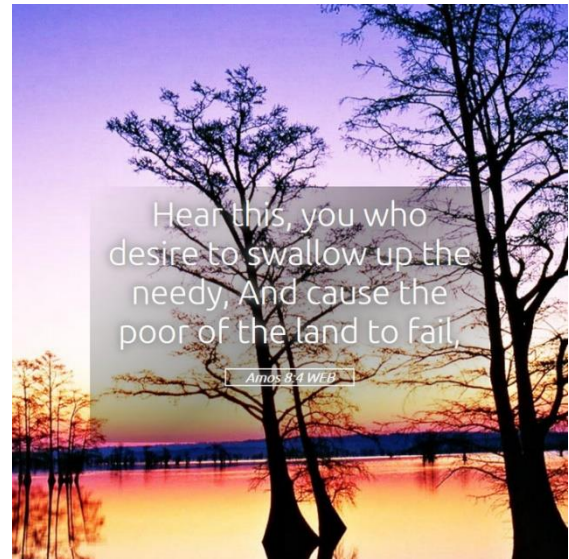
1. Confirmation Class being arranged by Teri with Preston Reed.
2. Kruse Memorial at Volga's First Lutheran on Sept 17, 2022, at 2 PM. Pioneer Lutheran will provide some cake, bars, or cookies for the lunch. Visitation at 1 PM. Julie will contact Arlene Madsen and Deanna Tolrud to contact members to provide the food.
3. Julie suggested at next meeting (Oct 5, 2022) Council work on budgeted items: Earl Michaelson fund, Kids and Cops giving.

Adjournment: Charlotte moved; Laura seconded to adjourn at 6:55 PM. Motion

passed. Council prayed the Lord's Prayer in closing.

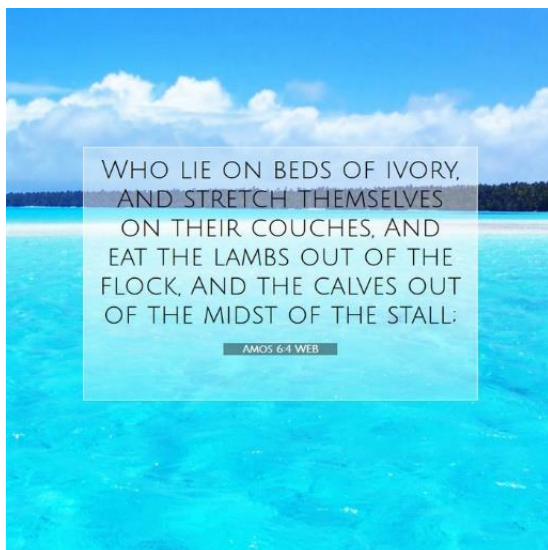
Respectfully submitted, Secretary, Charlotte Mickelson

<b>Pioneer Lutheran Financial Report</b>	
<b>AUGUST 31.2022</b>	
General Fund	\$ 21,203.16
Memorial Fund	\$ 1,489.88
Fund In Checking	\$ <b>22,693.04</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Sioux Valley Energy electricity	\$ 161.54
ITC - phone and internet	\$ 98.71
BDRW water	\$ 39.00
GIDEONS	\$ 100.00
Matt Petersen 4x mowing July	\$ 720.00
Teri Johnson Salary	\$ 2,225.00
Matt Petersen 3x mowing Aug	\$ 540.00
	\$ <b>3,884.25</b>
<b>SUNDAY OFFERINGS</b>	
<b>August 7.2022</b>	\$ 829.00
<b>August 14.2022</b>	\$ 891.00
<b>August 21.2022</b>	\$ 1,106.00
<b>August 28.2022</b>	\$ 1,222.00
	\$ <b>4,048.00</b>



Dear Friends in Christ,

I recently experienced an excruciatingly long day awaiting news on my dog's surgery as she was having a pacemaker put in. Yes, our dog is the first in the family to have a cardiologist! We dropped Daisy off at the animal hospital at 6:30 am the morning of surgery and in my worried mind I assumed I would hear something by noon. When the lunch hour arrived and I hadn't heard anything I called and the very friendly receptionist politely told me "no news is good news." Fast forward five hours and still having not heard anything, I called again and a new receptionist cheerfully reminded me "no news is good news". By this time, my mind



had determined that “no news was NOT good news; no news was NO news.” Alas, by 5:30 pm the vet called to share the good news that surgery had gone well and Daisy was resting in recovery.

The experience got me thinking about the phrase “no news is good news.” The definition of the phrase means if you don’t hear that something bad has happened, it is probably because nothing bad has happened. The phrase is something people say when they are worried about something to make them feel better. The origin of the expression dates back to King James I of England who said “No news is better than evil news” in the year 1616.

After a very long day of receiving no news...any kind of news....I’m not sure I am believer anymore of the phrase “no news is good news” and started imagining how scripture would have been written if nobody ever shared the good news but instead kept silent under the guise of “no news is good news.”

There are over 100 biblical passages about sharing the good news...about speaking up and witnessing. Can you imagine the Christmas story if the angels would have kept silent, telling the frightened shepherds that “no news is good news.” Or the Easter story if Mary had run back to the village and instead of sharing the good news of resurrection with the disciples, would have said “hey guys, no news is good news.” Or in the Pentecost story if Jesus would have told his disciples NOT to go out and witness in the power of the Holy Spirit but because “no news is good

news.” Imagine if the writers of scripture had lived with the belief that people usually only report bad things, not good things. Therefore, if they didn’t write about bad things, their audiences could assume everything was going well. Where would we be as a church or as followers of Christ if nobody had ever said a word? A good word?

As a disciple of Jesus Christ, I am not a fan of the “no news is good news” sentiment because there is always a glimmer of good news, of hope, of possibility. Where does my confidence come from? It comes from my faith in the God of new birth, in Jesus the way of possibility and in the Holy Spirit the constant presence in every minute of my every day. As disciples of the risen Christ, we are to be bearers of the good news!

May we be empowered to share the good news of what Christ is doing in our lives and in the life of our congregation.

Pastor Teri

*Please join us this fall as we explore a few*



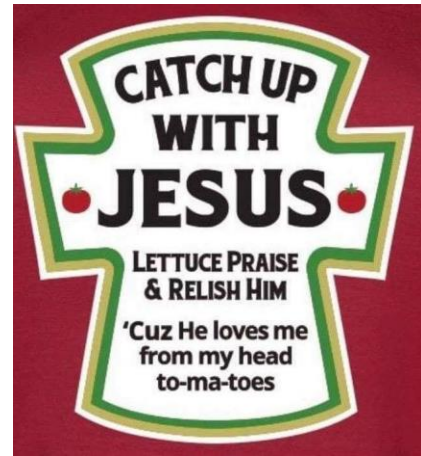
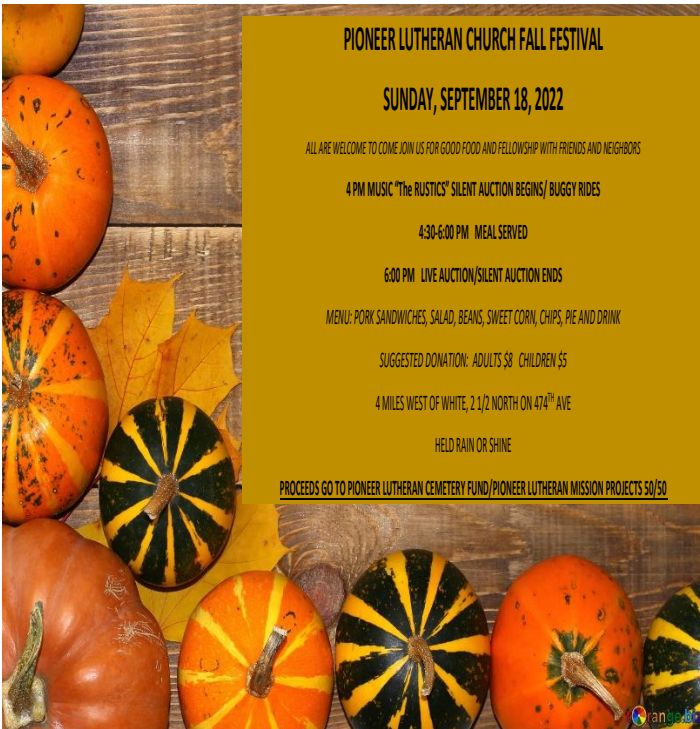
**“Women of the Bible”**  
 Beginning **Saturday, September 10**  
 at Pioneer Lutheran  
 9 am to 10:30 am  
 20108 47th Avenue, White, SD  
**ALL are welcome**  
 Study Guides will be provided at no cost  
 Come to one or all studies!

September 10	<b>EVE</b>	Finding Lasting Contentment in the Truth
September 24	<b>REBEKAH</b>	Breaking Free of Feminine Stereotypes
October 8	<b>LEAH</b>	Overcoming Rejection and Insecurity
October 22	<b>HANNAH</b>	Surrendering in Waiting
November 5	<b>ABIGAIL</b>	Dealing with Confrontation in Relationships
November 19	<b>GOMER</b>	Learning to Accept Unconditional Love
<b>More to come in the New Year 2023</b>		

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR


- Sept 11 Life in the Spirt meet after church
- Sept 17 2pm Memorial service for Milan and JoAnne Kruse
- September 18 Fall Festival **Every family is asked to bring 1 pie.**
- Sept 24 9am Women of the Bible Study
- October 1 newsletter articles to Julie [jmpete@itctel.com](mailto:jmpete@itctel.com)
- Oct 8 9am Women of the Bible Study
- Nov 1 6pm-9pm Wooden Sign Painting Party
- We need Monthly Cleaners, Readers, and coffee servers
- We continue to collect Hy-Vee receipts, so remember to bring yours.
- Please remember to bring your donations for the Brookings Food Pantry. Your contributions are a blessing to others



**Tuesday, November 1  
6pm-9pm  
Wooden Sign Painting Party In  
Other Words at Pioneer  
Lutheran Church in White, SD**



# SEPTEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>READER:</b> <b>SEPTEMBER-</b> <b>DANA</b> <b>OCTOBER-</b> <b>DEANNA</b>	<b>CLEANERS:</b> <b>SEPTEMBER-</b> <b>JULIE P</b> <b>OCTOBER-</b>			1	2	3
4 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM WORSHIP/HOLY COMMUNION	5	6	7 6 pm Church Council	8	9	10 <b>9AM WOMEN OF THE BIBLE STUDY</b>
11 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM PRAISE WORSHIP Life in the spirit	12	13	14	15	16	17 2PM Memorial service for Milan and Jo Kruse
18 9AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 4PM FALL FEST	19	20	21	22	23	24 <b>9AM WOMEN OF THE BIBLE STUDY</b>
25 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP	26	27	28	29	30	1 
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