



PIONEER LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER

SEPT 2024

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PIONEER LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING SEPT 1, 2024

All members of Pioneer Lutheran Church Council and Pastor Teri met after service on September 1, 2024. President Valerie Hicks opened the meeting. Bill Powers offered devotions.

Secretary's report was summarized, then approved with a motion by Bill, second by Carole Hansen.

Treasurer's report was examined, then approved with a motion by Carole, second by Bill.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Long term projects: noise control in fellowship hall: Carole continues to plan and will do a mockup to be approved
2. Lowering of kitchen counter discussion to be tabled.
3. Outreach: Teri has chosen a study guide to follow for Saturday morning Bible Study. Untangling Faith. Open to all.
4. Events: Feb 15, 2025, wedding for Jossie Kozelka,
5. Dec 15, 2024, guest pastor from St Dysmas
6. Fall Festival: Sept 22, 2024. Please sign up to help with kitchen, auction, clean up and set up.

7. Church in the Park offering of approximately \$350.00 donated to Deubrook Backpack Program.

8. Baby shower for Sawyer Donald, son of Jen and Dane will occur on date acceptable to parents.

9. Some lights need replacing in sanctuary: maintenance committee

10. Pile of branches need to be moved: Jim Hansen will do that before Fall Festival

NEW BUSINESS

Member directory: Update? Photos of families/individuals?

Nominating committee: reminded to seek applicants to fill 2 positions on Council in 2025.

Annual Meeting in January of 2025: reports will be needed

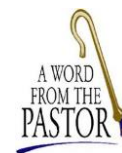
Pastor's Report: Confirmation for 6, possibly 7 students, books needed; Bible Study planned, and resources ordered; the Methodist Church in White will offer an Advent series; Christmas Eve Service will again be at 5:00 PM; responded to 6 calls; will be absent on Oct 13, 2024; invited to a zoom class on Higher Ground.

Next meeting: October 6, 2024, after church service.

Adjournment: Carole moved, Todd with second to adjourn. Motion passed.

Lord's Prayer prayed by members in closing.
Respectfully submitted, Secretary Charlotte Mickelson

Pioneer Lutheran Financial Report	
August 31, 2024	
General Fund	\$ 17,912.06
Memorial Fund	\$ 1,589.88
	\$ 19,501.94
EXPENSES	
Sioux Valley Energy electricity	\$ 139.40
ITC - phone and internet	\$ 96.36
BDRW water	\$ 46.95
Kevin Quail sign repair	\$ 51.69
Teri Johnson Salary	\$ 2,340.00
Matt Petersen 6x mowing July	\$ 1,080.00
Hendricks Lumber Co sign repair	\$ 108.56
Mj Powers copyright license	\$ 165.00
	\$ 4,027.96
SUNDAY OFFERINGS	
Aug 4, 2024	\$ 1,420.00
Aug 11, 2024	
Aug 18, 2024	\$ 761.00
Aug 25, 2024	\$ 912.00
	\$ 3,093.00



Pastor Teri's weekly sermons can be found on the church website.

<https://www.pioneerlutheran.org/sermons/>

Dear Friends in Christ,

My heart is still full of deep joy after our “all church” worship service and potluck last month. I am reminded of Paul’s words: “For as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them.”

I am excited about the ministry opportunities that await us, one of which will be an all church Bible study beginning Saturday, September 21 at 10:00 am at Pioneer. The title of the study is “Untangling Faith: Reclaiming Hope in the Questions Jesus Asked” by Amberly Neese. This study will take us on a journey of untangling some common faith questions that sometimes tie us up in knots of confusion, discouragement, and disillusionment. Regardless of where we are on our faith journey, we all have questions, and the good news is that our questions can actually help us untangle our faith. Jesus loves questions! In the Gospels, he asks over three hundred questions and directly answers only three. By asking so many questions, Jesus invites us to ask, seek, and grapple with our own questions. He knows that our questions can be holy guides leading us to truth and deeper connection with God.

Dates the study will meet: September 21, 28; October 5, 19, 26 & November 2. We will meet at Pioneer at 10:00 am. The chapters are not tied together, so come when can and bring a friend!

Confirmation begins Sunday, September 8 at noon at the White United Methodist Church and I am excited to have 6 students! Confirmation dates are September 8, 22; October 20, 27; November 10 and 24. We will begin with a meal followed by our lesson. If anyone would like to furnish the noon meal please let me know!

Advent preparations are also underway for an all church adult study!

May we continue to spread the Good News as we grow together as disciples of Christ,

Pastor Teri



Congratulations to Dane and Jenn Dornbusch on the birth of their son, Sawyer Donald, who arrived August 16!

**PIONEER LUTHERAN CHURCH
FALL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024**

4PM Music "Violinist- Sarah Maidi"

Silent Auction begins/Buggy Rides

4:30- 6:00 PM Meal Served

6:00PM Live Auction/Silent Auction Ends

All are welcome to come and join us for good food and fellowship with friends and neighbors.

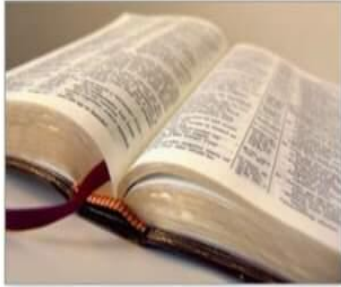
**Menu: Porkloins sandwiches, salad, beans, corn, pie and drink
FREE WILL DONATION**

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Strengthening Your Relationship with God

Join us at Pioneer Lutheran



Beginning
Saturday, September 21
at 10:00 am
(more dates below)

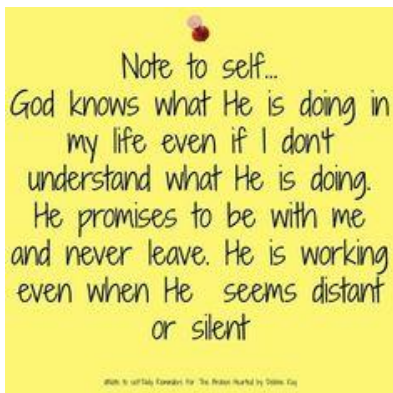
All are welcome!
Study books provided at
NO COST

Have you ever felt you struggled to find your faith footing? Do you find yourself trying to help friends and loved ones who are deconstructing and struggling in their faith? Pastor Teri Johnson will be leading a six-week Bible study beginning **Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 10 am** at Pioneer Lutheran to explore the questions Jesus asked as a way to discover practical tools for finding a renewed hope, faith, and strength.

We hope to see you at one or all of the sessions below:

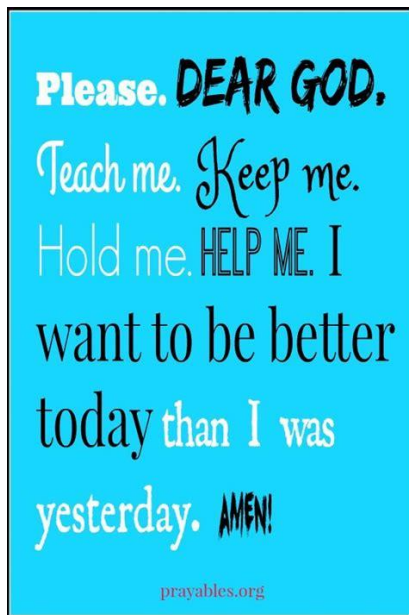
September 21	Can I Trust God?	Psalm 28:7
September 28	How Can I Grow in My Faith?	Mathew 17:20
October 5	How Should I Pray?	1 John 5:14
October 19	What Must I Do To Be Healed?	Psalm 103:2-4
October 26	What is God's Plan for Us?	Psalm 25:4-5
November 2	What Does It Mean to Follow God?	Micah 6:8

For more information contact Laura Quail (605) 690-9104 or Charlotte Mickelson (870) 416-4208



PIONEER DAYS PARADE





MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sept 8 12PM Confirmation
- Sept 15 4 PM Fall Festival
- Sept 21 10AM Bible Study
- Sept 22 12PM Confirmation
- Sept 28 10AM Bible Study
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- Oct 1 Newsletter articles to Julie jimpete@itctel.com
- Oct 5 10AM Bible Study
- Oct 6 Church council following service
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- 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



SEPT 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM WORSHIP/HOLY COMMUNION CHURCH COUNCIL	2 LABOR DAY	3	4	5	6	7
8 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 12 PM CONFIRMATION	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM PRAISE WORSHIP 4 PM FALL FEST	16	17	18	19	20	21 10 AM BIBLE STUDY
22 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 12 PM CONFIRMATION	23	24	25	26	27	28 10 AM BIBLE STUDY
29 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE	30	1	2	3	4	5 10 AM BIBLE STUDY
6 9 AM ADULT FORUM 10 AM WORSHIP/HOLY COMMUNION CHURCH COUNCIL				READERS: SEPT-CHARLOTTE OCT-	CLEANERS SEPT-JULIE OCT-CHARLOTTE	

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