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*Our Shared Mission: We are saved by grace
 through faith to share the good news of the
 Gospel with all people and live
 God's love by our words and actions.*



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Worship Times
(until September 4, 2022)
9a Gethsemane
10:30a St. Stephen's



June

twenty twenty-two



Happy Anniversary

16 Janet and Elmer Mullard
21 Brian and Debbie Panske

Jordan Baril
Jay Chapple
Trish Dams
Brent Jurmu
Jared Jurmu

8 Debbie Kruhmin
13 Colin Christophersen
18 Millie Haulotte
21 Jim Roubal
24 Lisa Roubal
25 Ally Schultz
26 Trevor Christophersen
28 Janet Mullard
30 Jim Skowronski



We continue to hold in prayer:

Hope and comfort in the Resurrection to the friends and family of:

+Janis Linderoth+ (died May 10, 2022)

+Daniel Chaney+ (died May 14, 2022)

+Tom Kros, Jr.+ (died May 24, 2022)

+Tina LaCanne+ (died May 26, 2022)

Bruce Christenson	Caitlin Christophersen	Dan Etelamaki	Darwin Diehm
Deanna Thill	Dennis Kaczmarczyk	Dennis Paul	Emily Christenson
George Hensley	Jenna Perras	Jim Gill	Joan Hofer
Karen Raether	Keith Thoun	Kenny Kline	Kevin Havelka
Logan Parrett	Luann Q. Kiefer	Macy Berszenyi	Marcia Droese
Matt Koldos	Mike Lubore	Mike McCarthy	Mike Pfeiffer
Miles Sorenson	Paul Larmour	Rob Boe	Robert Berszenyi
Ronnie Anderson	Sandy Baumler	Sarah Hess	Shirley Gulbis
Sue Skowronski	Tammy Parrett	Terry Stage Roddy	Tom Wenger
Tracy Klatt	Wendy Gravelle	Wendy Majkrzak	Zeke Gill

Thank you for holding the friends and families of our Congregants in your daily prayers. Corrections? Additions? Please contact the Church Office.



Save the Date (and Pray for Sunshine!)

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Erickson Pavilion in Stephenson – 10:30am



We'll gather for **Worship**,
and enjoy a **Potluck Meal!**



Bring Your Own Drinks, Table Serve Provided!

Come one, come all! Bring a friend...bring 'em all!

Daily Bible Readings - Year C

Year C focuses on the Gospel of Luke. The semi-continuous Old Testament readings are of prophetic proclamation chosen in chronological order and highlighting Jeremiah. The second, New Testament, readings are chosen mainly from Colossians 1 and 2 Timothy and 2 Thessalonians.

Wed – Jun 1	Ezekiel 3:12-21	Luke 9:18-27	Psalms 29
Thu – Jun 2	Isaiah 32:11-17	Galatians 5:16-25	Psalms 104:24-34, 35b
Fri – Jun 3	Isaiah 44:1-4	Galatians 6:7-10	Psalms 104:24-34, 35b
Sat – Jun 4	2 Kings 2:1-15a	Luke 1:5-17	Psalms 104:24-34, 35b



Sun. June 5 — Day of Pentecost Acts 2:1-21 Ps 104:24-34, 35b, Rom 8:14-17 John 14:8-17

Prayer of the Day: *God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.*

Mon – Jun 6	Joel 2:18-29	1 Corinthians 2:1-11	Psalms 48
Tue – Jun 7	Ezekiel 11:14-25	1 Corinthians 2:12-16	Psalms 48
Wed – Jun 8	Numbers 24:1-14	Luke 1:26-38	Psalms 48
Thu – Jun 9	Proverbs 3:13-18	Ephesians 1:17-19	Psalms 8
Fri – Jun 10	Proverbs 3:19-26	Ephesians 4:1-6	Psalms 8
Sat – Jun 11	Proverbs 4:1-9	Luke 2:41-52	Psalms 8

Sun. June 12 — The Holy Trinity Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalms 8 (2) Rom 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

Prayer of the Day: *Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.*

Mon – Jun 13	Proverbs 7:1-4	Ephesians 4:7-16	Psalms 124
Tue – Jun 14	Proverbs 8:4-21	Ephesians 5:15-20	Psalms 124
Wed – Jun 15	Daniel 1:1-21	Luke 1:46b-55	Psalms 124
Thu – Jun 16	Isaiah 56:9-12	Romans 2:17-29	Psalms 22:19-28
Fri – June 17	Isaiah 57:1-13	Galatians 3:15-22	Psalms 22:19-28
Sat – June 18	Isaiah 59:1-8	Matthew 9:27-34	Psalms 22:19-28

Sun. June 19 — 2nd Sunday after Pentecost Isa 65:1-9 Ps 22:19-28 (22) Gal 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39

Prayer of the Day: *O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.*

Mon – June 20	Job 18:1-21	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	Psalm 64
Tue – June 21	Job 19:1-22	Ephesians 2:11-22	Psalm 64
Wed – June 22	Ezekiel 32:1-10	Luke 9:37-43a	Psalm 64
Thu – June 23	Leviticus 9:22—10:11	2 Corinthians 13:5-10	Psalm 16
Fri – June 24	2 Kings 1:1-16	Galatians 4:8-20	Psalm 16
Sat – June 25	Deut 32:15-27, 39-43	Luke 9:21-27	Psalm 16

Sun. June 26 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 1 Kgs 19:15-16, 19-21 Ps 16 (8) Gal 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62

Prayer of the Day: *Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.*

Mon – June 27	Gen 24:34-41, 50-67	1 John 2:7-11	Psalm 140
Tue – June 28	Jeremiah 3:15-18	Ephesians 5:6-20	Psalm 140
Wed – June 29	Jeremiah 23:16-22	Matthew 10:16-25	Psalm 140
Thu – June 30	2 Kings 21:1-15	Romans 7:14-25	Psalm 66:1-9



**** National Honor Society Induction Ceremony ****

*Congratulations to **Morgan Bergquist, Chelsea Christophersen,** and **Sara Havelka** on exemplifying their commitment to the values of scholarship, service, leadership, and character!*





One, proud Grandma: Dorothy Peretto is happily surrounded by her Grandchildren (Trevor, Caitlin, and Chelsea Christophersen, Trina and Cassie Kruhmin, and Colin Christophersen).



The Happy Graduates of 2022:

Jenna Peretto, Colin Christophersen, Trina Kruhmin (all Stephenson Eagles Class of 2022) and Cassie Kruhmin (Northern Michigan University Wildcat Class of 2022).

Blessings to the Graduates (and cousins!) Colin, Cassie, and Trina!



Devotion time at recent Council Meetings has become extremely informational! Mary Jo Mahaffy led last month's devotion on inviting God to help us balance out our lives.

Work continues by Gethsemane Quilters Janet Mullard, Judi Freis, and Carol Lindner, as they continue to stitch together quilts that will benefit Lutheran World Relief. Quilters typically meet on the first Wednesday and Thursday of the month at 9am - all skill levels welcome!



Wendy Hanson, Mary Jo Mahaffy, and Jane Christenson all participated in the Northern Great Lakes Synod Assembly on Saturday, May 15th. Zion Lutheran in Marinette hosted the hybrid event, which was part in-person, part online.



Mini-Maroon Everit Porter is ready to head to Kindergarten this fall! He's excited to go...Mom Alisha Stage...not so much!

Isaiah 61:11_ "For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations."

With warmer weather finally here, we get to experience God's beautiful creation coming to life once again.



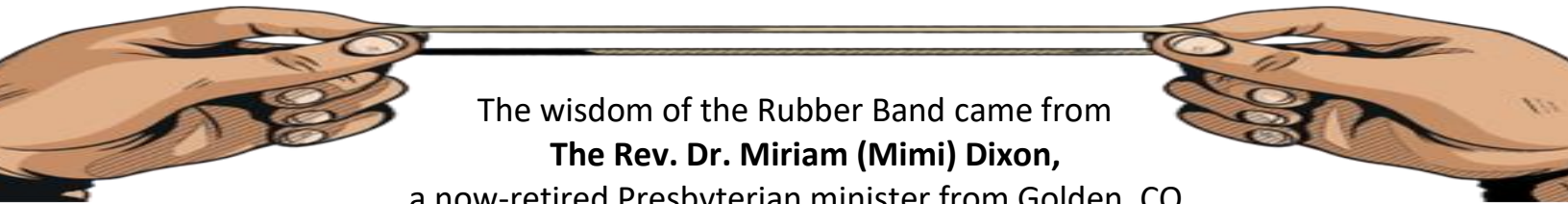
Pastoral Musings

Dear Church,

One of the many learnings I picked up during my Continuing Education time in Colorado was the simple wisdom gleaned from a **rubber band**. Yes...a rubber band! Let me back up a bit...



The entirety of our time at Glen Eyrie Castle focused on creating a safe space for Pastors, allowing us to really take stock of how things are going in our present call, and giving us a chance to **refocus on Jesus**, allowing him to restore our souls. The pacing of the retreat was relaxed though full, and our speakers and leaders were comforting and inspiring.



The wisdom of the Rubber Band came from
The Rev. Dr. Miriam (Mimi) Dixon,
a now-retired Presbyterian minister from Golden, CO.

Mimi's simple explanation (using actual rubber bands for added effect) included the continual stretching and relaxing of a rubber band. She **strettttttched** that rubber band to its limits, all while recalling the typical demands of a Pastor. She released the stretched tension, and the band would **return** to its original shape, all while talking about the ways we care for our souls as Pastors. **Strettttttch, release. Strettttttch, release.** The visual hit home for most everyone in the room, especially in this post-COVID, not-really-post-COVID season of church leadership. That little rubber band was really putting things into perspective for us!

How often do we, as a Church, let our lives get soooo **stretched out of shape**, that we can hardly imagine a relaxing into a regular shape ever again? We pack our days full of activities and meetings and more activities and more meetings...all while **strettttttching** ourselves further and further out of shape. Our lives, our emotions, our spirituality gets out of shape.



Mimi's very simple reminder allowed us to **see** and **feel** what it felt like to **relieve** some of that self-placed tension, allowing us to focus on WHO and WHOSE we really are: Children of God who are loved no matter how many tasks we accomplish, no matter how many meetings we schedule, no matter how many activities we try and squeeze into our day. We are loved by a God, who, like that simple rubber band, has **a love that has NO END!**

Releasing some of that tension alongside you,

Pr. Brenda

Gethsemane Council Highlights Thursday, MAY 19, 2022 – 6:00p

- Wendy was given permission to look into the possibility of hosting a **Badger Blood Bank Blood Drive** at Gethsemane.
- The secretarial/janitorial positions have been **posted**. Council approved an \$11 an hour salary with the possibility of upping to \$12 after 90 day trial.
- **Property Ministry Team**
 1. Council approved the flushing of the septic tanks at the parsonage and the church every 3 years as per recommended standards. The installation of a riser for the septic tank at church was approved (*once the tank is located!*).
 2. Sarah Krzych has agreed to mow the lawns at the church and the parsonage again this year at a price to be determined.
 3. Brian Panske has volunteered to pressure wash the church and parsonage.
 4. It was decided to purchase an outdoor rug for the parsonage deck as the paint job done last year is already blistered and peeling.
- **Worship/Music:** Pastor Brenda will introduce us to Worship Setting 11 beginning in June.
- Council approved taking a **summer break** - June/July/August - with a meeting called if necessary.



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