



The Banner of Faith
Faith Lilac Way Lutheran Church

August

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Pastor's Article

Sabbath rest.

In Genesis we read, and on the 7th day, God rested. In the 10 commandments we read, "Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy." Keeping the Sabbath meant both holy worship and holy rest. Jesus often takes time away to pray and he offers his disciples time to rest. In the book of Hebrews we read "a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God; for those who enter God's rest also cease from their labors as God did from his."

The scriptures clearly urge us to take Sabbath, and to rest from our labors. And yet.... In our world in which there is always, it seems, one more thing to do, it is sometimes the last thing that we (or at least I) think of doing. If you are like me and sometimes have trouble taking Sabbath rest, I encourage you to schedule that into your life. Sometimes I find I have to put it on the calendar in order for it to happen.

The youth and Vicar Kristin are in the BWCA right now doing just that - taking some time in God's creation to stop and reflect. In just a few days, I'll be doing the same thing. I'll be hiking in Montana in the midst of rocks and trees and, hopefully, a running creek nearby. I encourage you to find a place to enjoy God's creation. There is something that is immensely refreshing and restorative about hearing the sound of a running creek, listening to the wind through the trees, feeling the warmth of the sun, and simply taking some time, intentional time, for Sabbath rest.

May you enjoy some Sabbath rest this summer and return refreshed and renewed.

Psalms 24

*The earth is the Lord's, and
everything in it, the world,
and all who live in it;
for the Lord founded it
on the seas and
established it on
the rivers.*



Pastor Paul

Prayers

Gracious God, be with those with on-going health concerns including: **Ramona Anderson, Donna Benson, Craig Blackman, Carol Brown, Jane Bork, Jacqueline Butkowski, Bob Fernelius, Larry Geer, Brad Hesselund, Carolyn Lageson, Joyce Merkel, Margaret Pendzimus, Herb Scheelk, Linda St. John, Lucas Wiste, and Vic Woolgar.** Send your Spirit to comfort the family and friends of **Gloria Voeltz**, who was entrusted to your care on July 21, 2021. Place your healing hand upon all those who grieve and all those who need your care. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Sending and Blessings for Vicar Kristin Dybdal

Join us for a celebration and sending service for Vicar Kristin Dybdal on Sunday, August 1 at 9:30 AM with a cake reception to follow.

Welcome Vicar Kyle Anderson

I am excited for the opportunity to serve at Faith -Lilac Way Lutheran Church. Ministry is a second career for me. I worked as a tax professional for over twenty years with a focus on state income taxes for corporations. For the last eleven years I was employed in the corporate tax department of US Bank at the corporate headquarters in Minneapolis.

I have been actively involved in feeding ministries and that is where I first heard the call to ordained ministry. I have held a variety of lay leadership positions including church council president and financial auditor. As the pandemic wanes I am really looking forward to helping everyone return to church safely while also recognizing that the "new normal" will certainly provide new opportunities for spreading the gospel message. I live in St. Paul with my wife Christina. We have a fifteen-year-old calico cat named Magnolia. I like to stay physically active and enjoy running, tennis, and riding my bicycle for transportation.



- *Kyle Anderson*

Wildfire Community Voices

We are hosting - plan to come!

Wildfire Churches Community Voices Host
Local State Legislators
Tuesday, September 21 at 7 PM
Faith-Lilac Way Lutheran Church



Wildfire Churches present *Community Voices*, featuring one or more state, local, school or non-profit leader/s in conversation with a pastor from one of the Wildfire congregations. The speakers will share what they perceive to be the most serious challenges facing residents in our community and how congregations and individuals can help create solutions.



Mission of the Month:

NEAR FOODSHELF

School Supplies

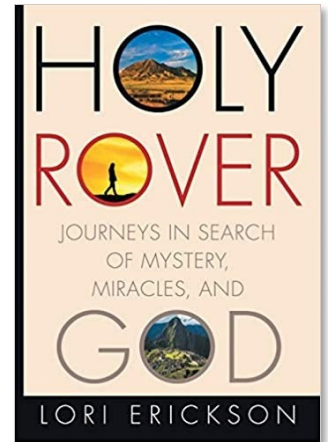


School supplies will be accepted between July 15th and August 15th for distribution between

August 23rd and September 3rd. We welcome all supplies, but we especially need backpacks, 2" and 3" 3-ring binders with dividers, loose-leaf paper (both wide and college ruled), spiral notebooks (both wide and college ruled), composition books, colored pencils, pencil pouches and pencil boxes. We can get sturdy backpacks deeply discounted, so, if wanted, a person could donate \$25 to cover the entire cost of school supplies for one child. Depending on the grade, this would include a backpack, pencils, a pencil sharpener, erasers, pens, loose-leaf paper, spiral notebooks, composition books, glue sticks, glue, scissors, crayons, markers, highlighters, a 3-ring binder, binder divider pages, folders, and a pencil pouch/box. Some people like to shop, others like to have the convenience of a donation; we are happy to use whatever is more convenient for you. As always, we are incredibly grateful for all you do to make NEAR a success. School supplies will be distributed 8/23/21 to 9/03/21.

FLW Book Club!

Book lovers: You are invited to our next meeting on Thursday, August 19 at 7pm. We are reading Holy Rover: Journeys in Search of Mystery, Miracles, and God by Lori Erickson, Travel writer and Episcopal deacon. Here's a teaser: From her childhood on an Iowa farm, Lori Erickson grew up to travel the world as a writer specializing in holy sites-journeys that led her on an ever-deepening spiritual quest. In Holy Rover, she weaves her personal narrative with descriptions of a dozen pilgrimages.



Won't you join us? Contact Pastor Pam for details: pastorpam@faithlilacway.com, 763-537-4523.

Acknowledgements

Thank you for your recent gift of \$250 to **Luther Seminary**, which we received from Faith-Lilac Way. We deeply appreciate your generous support, and the impact that it makes!

On behalf of **Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota** and those we serve, thank you for your recent gift of \$400. For 156 years, congregations like yours have been essential partners in the mission of LSS, helping us grow from a church basement near Red Wing to offer services in all 87 counties of our state.

August Birthdays

Blake Hortenbach.....	2nd
Alexa Hanneman.....	3rd
Justin Luoma.....	3rd
Lisa Rambow.....	5th
Lisa Jordan.....	6th
Betty Schmidt.....	6th
Blake Tiber.....	7th
Bob Christensen.....	9th
Donald Kyostia.....	9th
Avery Nolan.....	11th
Carolyn Lageson.....	15th
Margaret Pendzimas.....	16th
Erik Vallis.....	16th
Carol Brown.....	18th
Susan Shaw.....	18th
Sue Ferkingstad.....	19th
Zachary Wietzke.....	21st
Robert Kurki.....	22nd
Douglas Lynum.....	23rd
Bryan Foster.....	24th
Ann Nowak.....	24th
Jane Bork.....	25th
Janis Anderson.....	27th
Anne Ng.....	30th
Jacquelin Woolgar.....	30th
Megan Kalberg Woods.....	31st

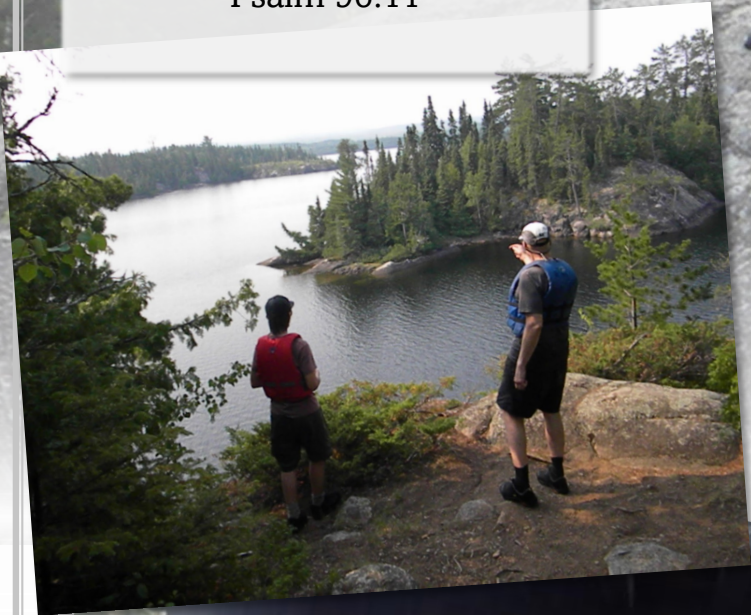
BWCA Trip!

Vicar Kristin, our youth, and chaperones traveled to Wilderness Canoe Base for a Faith Formation event in July. Enjoy the collection of great memories they made along the way!



Let the heavens rejoice, let the
earth be glad; let the sea
resound, and all that is in it.

Psalms 96:11



How many are your works, LORD!
In wisdom you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
There is the sea, vast and spacious,
teeming with creatures beyond number,
living things both large and small.

Psalms 104:24-25



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Covid 19 Update:

Following CDC guidelines, masks are optional for vaccinated people. We ask that those who are not yet vaccinated continue to wear masks and maintain physical distance for the sake of their own health and that of their neighbor. We also ask that anyone who is ill please stay home and watch online!

Worship in August Options

All Are Welcome!

Worship Online, in the sanctuary, parking lot or at home.

Every Sunday - Any Time - online worship available at faithlilacway.org

9:30 AM Worship in Sanctuary and Parking Lot -
Simultaneously

10:30 Coffee and treats

No group zoom communion or Bible Study for the
month of August

