



# KLC NEWS

## AUGUST 2024



### Youth of Ministry



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You probably think I have mistitled this newsletter message, but I intentionally want to lift up not the ministry to youth but the ministry of youth. It is no surprise that we struggle to keep our young people active and engaged in the church. It is oftentimes because we hold on to tradition and maybe even think that they do not appreciate what we hold on to; certainly there is some truth to that idea. We may, however, be surprised that our youth are not always opposed to tradition but find it hard to be “left out” of tradition and what constitutes good “Lutheran” tradition.

The ministry of our Youth in whatever form it may take is a Lutheran tradition. Reaching out to “all” people is as Lutheran as it can get. That includes worship and a strong theology of inclusion. The sign “All are Welcome” is not a new idea. Lutherans have from the beginning

been called to share the good news to everybody. What can frustrate our youth is what frustrates all people. It’s a ministry that invites some and excludes others. It’s the idea that we should practice what we preach and open not just our communion table but also other areas of our ministry together in the body of Christ.

I just returned from the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans. It was awesome! It was noisy! Did I mention that it was noisy? It was NOI.....SY! What was noisy? It was the sound of 16,100 youth praising God. But...it was also the sound of youth opening their minds and hearts to a way of thinking about faith. Their faith. And it was the sound of 16,100 youth becoming aware that as they are created by God to be brave, authentic, free, disruptive to evil and filled with the spirit of God to be His disciples. That is a mouthful! Is this not the tradition we are all being called to hold on to? I know it is what inspires me. I hope it inspires you also.

If... If we can open our ministry to the tradition of inclusion I know with all the faith God has given me that the future of our church is going to be awesome! You heard me, “Awesome!” We all have something to share. After each day at the gathering we met to reflect on the day’s events. I would ask the youth what most spoke to them at the gathering. They shared some very interesting thoughts. The most provocative day was the day about being “disruptive”. Who knew that we are called to be disruptive? It seemed so far from my way of thinking until the speakers got up and talked about what they understood that to mean. It’s not the disruption fueled by disrespect. Instead it is the disruption of speaking truth to fear,

and speaking out against injustice, and holding on to love instead of violence, prejudice and racism. I was honored to be a part of the youth of ministry that has so much to offer this wonderful Lutheran church. I am humbled by their patience and hope to invite all people to work with me in this ministry of our church for our church.

Thank you Everybody!

Pastor, Jeffrey P. Holter

Watch this space for Lori's article next month!



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## “Kenwood’s Got Talent”

### Talent Show!

Saturday, September 28, 6:30 p.m.

Refreshments served following the show.

Sign up in the Messiah Room.

*If your birthday is not listed, call or email the church with your birthdate including the year!*

### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Matthew Holter
- 3 - Elizabeth Blix  
Henry Randall
- 8 - Betty Eskola  
Pat Kleimola  
Christina Johnson
- 10-Eric Randall
- 14-Brandon Reich
- 17-Benjamin Johnson
- 18-Kim Loken
- 19-Matthew Erickson  
Kyle Stokes
- 21-Brett Sobczak  
John Senich
- 22-Lynn Chalstrom
- 23-Judy Hay
- 24-Georgina Barg
- 26-Erin Goutermont
- 27-Brennan LaBelle  
Jayne Iverson
- 28-Pastor Jeff Holter



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Senior Luncheon**-will be held next at Foster's. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 7, 11:30 a.m. A sign-up is available in the Messiah Room. If you sign up and find you're not able to go, please let the church office know.

**Ronald McDonald House Pop Tops**-please remember to bring in your pop tops. We collect these year-round!

**Volunteers are needed**-to serve for Hospitality this summer; we still have a few Sundays to fill. A sign-up is posted in the Messiah Room for those interested in doing so. Individuals, friends, families, groups, etc. may all sign up!

**Bridge of Faith Parish Event**-Potluck & Outdoor Worship including a few camp-like hymns. Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2024, 6 pm. at Rice Lake City Park, 4137 Stockholm Rd, Duluth. See more information elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Steak Fry**-Thursday, August 15, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Enjoy a steak dinner or a hamburger dinner. See more information elsewhere in this newsletter.

**School Supplies**-are being collected again for Lutheran World relief. See the Community Ministry article for all the information.

**Church Book Club**-begins meeting again on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. The book for September will be, "The Prague Sonata" by Bradford Morrow.

**"Kenwood's Got Talent"**-be part of our Talent Show on Saturday, September 28 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Come and share a talent of your choosing! A sign-up is posted in the Messiah Room. Refreshments will follow the program.



Memorials given:

In memory of Mark Fiege,  
from Karla Payne



**Keep saving  
pop tops!**

**We collect them  
year-round  
for the  
Ronald McDonald house.**

# Community Ministry

School supplies are now on sale so it's the perfect time to help with school kits for Lutheran World Relief. Pick up a bag in the Messiah Room, complete with a list of items needed.

Supplies for each school kit:

4 spiral notebooks (70 sheets)

5 pencils (unsharpened)

5 pens (blue or black)

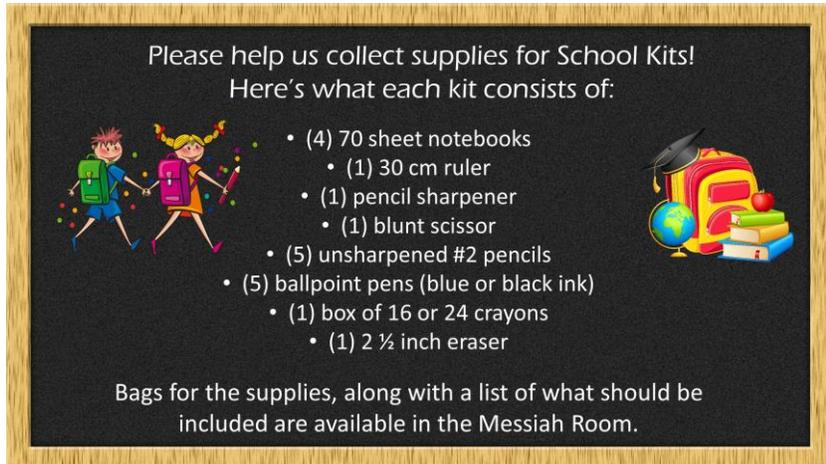
1 box of 24 crayons

1 ruler (12")

1 scissors

1 pencil sharpener

1 eraser



Thank you for generous cash donations of \$266 to help with shipping expense (\$1.40/kit) of the 75 school kits assembled in May! \$105 was needed; the excess will help with supplies for school kits.

LSS Center for Changing Lives coin offering in June was \$80.64; \$352.39 for the year.

## Bridge of Faith Parish Event

Date: Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2024, 6 pm.

Location: Rice Lake City Park, 4137 Stockholm Rd, Duluth

Rain Location: Family of God Church?



Activity: Potluck & Outdoor Worship including a few camp-like hymns.

Food: We ask attendants to bring something to share (side, dessert ((bars?? 😊), drinks)

Greg Hansen is making a large amount of pulled pork, so plan accordingly. (Don't like pork? Bring a different main. Like pork? Bring buns, etc.)

Times: Set-up begins at 4 p.m. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m

Worship begins roughly 6:30 p.m. or when most people have finished eating. We'll use the songbooks we made last year.

**COUNCIL MEETING - KENWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**June 13, 2024, via Zoom and in person**

Members Present: Lori Robison, Lynn Hegrenes, Martha Oswald, Pastor Jeff Holter, Barb Lucia, Peggy Pruden and Cindy Peterson

Guest(s): Theresa Williams

1. The meeting was called to order by President Lori Robison at 7:37 p.m. with devotions and prayer led by Lynn Hegrenes.
2. Minutes from the Council meeting held on May 9, 2024, were approved as submitted.
3. Treasurer's report = \$1,768.52 balance in the checkbook at the end of May 2024. All bills paid and are current. Capital Improvement Fund = \$38,267.16; Long-Term Savings Account = \$20,480.81; Memorial Fund = \$19,704.70; Trust Fund = \$3,255.91; Youth = \$628.15.
4. Action Items:
  - **Proposed changes to KLC Bylaws and the Continuing Resolutions** – Stewardship Board.  
A **motion** was made by Lynn Hegrenes and **seconded** to approve the proposed amendments to the KLC Continuing Resolutions received from the Stewardship Board. Discussion followed. **Motion carried.**
    - The proposed/adopted amendments are attached to these minutes and will be added online to the official copy of the document. According to KLC's Constitution, Chapter 18, C18.02, the Continuing Resolutions can be amended by approval of the Congregation or the Church Council.
    - A proposed amendment to KLC Bylaws will be added to other proposed Bylaw changes and submitted through appropriate channels for final adoption by the Congregation members this Fall.
  - **Campership to VLM** – June Randall from KLC will be attending Camp Vermilion this summer.  
A **motion** was made by Martha Oswald and **seconded** for KLC to pay \$100.00 towards the campership of June Randall attending Camp Vermilion this summer. Discussion followed. **Motion carried.**
  - **Budgeted Salary discussions** – Executive Session – **Tabled.**
5. Discussion Items:
  - **Food Truck Festival at KLC update** – Lori Robison = Saturday, September 14; 4:00-7:30 p.m. Help is needed with this project.
  - **Organist search?** – pursue again in the Fall.
  - **Shared Service with Family of God** was discussed. To be held as an Outdoor Service in conjunction with the Parish Picnic on Wednesday, August 21, at Rice Lake Park.
  - **Mortgage balance and celebration of payoff;** current balance around \$40,000; a springtime event to be held next year.

6. Boards, Ministry Teams, Standing Committees:

a. Asset Management Board

- Have two contractors coming in July for the ceilings.
- Grill'n Thing brought in almost \$1,000.00.
- Discussed replacement projector. Will proceed with ordering.
- Scheduled mowing for next few weeks.
- Worked on revised budget. Will present to Council.
- Scheduled dump day and painting for June 29.
- Discussed options for wheelchairs during services.
- Smelt Fry to be held on July 16.
- Will hold the parking lot sealing until 2025.
- Replace one window in the rental area.
- Kitchen painting and lower-level bathroom painting will start on June 29.
- Move date for Steak Fry to August 15.

b. Mutual Ministry Board

- Discussed our Bridge of Faith Parish and how it has been working to date.
- Vacation time for Pastor was discussed.
- Welcome Pads – will be updated this summer which will include LGBTQ+ initiative.
- The membership letter sent out had some positive effects on people returning to church.

c. Stewardship Board

- Presented proposed changes to the Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions at this meeting.
- Presented information on 'Stewardship Moment' talks – once a month during the Sunday service.
- LGBTQIA+ = 'Reconciling in Christ' informational meeting held at Our Saviors Lutheran in Duluth; wrote an article for the next Newsletter. Sponsored by Lake Superior Conference and attended by Peggy Prudent and Pastor Jeff Holter.
- Financial giving cards were reviewed and revised.
- The Time & Talent Survey sheets will be reviewed and changed as necessary.
- Working with other Boards and Teams to conduct the annual Stewardship Drive.
- Connecting more with college students and inviting them to worship services. Suggested placing notices at the colleges about special events being held at Kenwood Lutheran.
- Kenwood Family Picture Board to be placed in the Messiah Room.

d. Personnel Support Board

- No new report.

e. Christian Education Ministry Team

- Coordinating with Family of God.
- Looking at future Sunday School materials.

f. Community Ministry Team

- LSS Center for Changing Lives Coin Offering for May = \$33.27; YTD = \$271.75.
- VLM is not doing a summer fund-raising event because of leadership transition.
- LWR School Kits (75) and quilts (11) were blessed; delivered to Grand Rapids.

--Cash donations being requested in June for shipping school kits (75 kits x \$1.40 = \$105 needed).

--By mid-July start requesting school supplies.

- The basket with the 4th of July theme for CHUM Rhubarb Festival will be delivered next week.
- Rhubarb Festival will be held on Saturday, June 29 at Stella Maris Academy. Volunteers are needed.
- LSS Benefit for Youth on May 14 was attended by four from Kenwood Lutheran (Karen Mattson, Carol Kolari, Cindy Peterson and Barb Lucia).
- Thanks to Peggy and Doug Simensen for coordinating Kenwood Lutheran volunteers at Grandma's Marathon finish line.
- Ruby's Pantry volunteers are needed for Thursday, September 19.
- Thank you letter received from ELCA World Hunger for \$568 contribution from KLC.

g. Fellowship Ministry Team

- No new report.

h. Worship Ministry Team

- Summer mode – coordinate in the fall; some of our liturgy and music.
- Outdoor worship service scheduled for June 30.
- Baptism scheduled for July 6.

i. Youth Ministry Team

- Commissioning to be held on July 7 for the youth going on the trip to New Orleans (July 14-21).

7. Bridge of Faith Parish Council Updates:

- The first Parish Council meeting was held at Kenwood Lutheran on June 10. Frank Stokes (KLC) was elected President; Patty Alander (FOG) was elected Vice President; and Rose Fife (FOG) was elected as Secretary.
- Bridge of Faith Parish Picnic (Potluck) to be held at Rice Lake Park on Wednesday, August 21, at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome – come meet your fellow Parish members from Family of God.
- August Parish Council meeting will be held at Family of God Lutheran.

8. Pastor's Report:

- July 14 – Pastor Craig Carlson; July 21 – Pastor Dennis Paulsen – will serve as Pastors for Sunday services while Pastor Jeff is attending the National Youth Conference in New Orleans, LA.
- August 4 & 11 – vacation time for Pastor Jeff.
- Trying to connect with a family for new membership.

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m. with prayer and recitation of the Lord's Prayer led by Pastor Holter.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Hegrenes, Secretary

# **Kenwood Lutheran Church (KLC) Council Approval from their meeting held on June 13, 2024.**

## **Amendments to the KLC Continuing Resolutions**

The following proposed amendments in:

### **PART II. BOARDS (MINISTRY SUPPORT)**

#### **B. Stewardship Board**

The specific duties of the Stewardship Board shall include:

1. Engage the Congregation in Scriptural principles regarding ~~total~~ year-round stewardship ~~and~~ through first fruits giving (including time, talents and possessions) toward the mission, properties and needs of the Church.
2. Administer a program to discover, record and enlist ~~for service~~ congregants to share ~~the~~ their talents (artistic, business, professional and otherwise), spiritual interests and gifts God has given ~~old and new members of all ages~~ them.
3. In coordination with the Trust Fund Committee, encourage the remembrance of the Church in gifts, wills, bequests, memorials and endowments.
4. Promote stewardship. ~~Encourage stewardship~~ through all ministries of the Congregation to support the annual budget of the Church as proposed by the Asset Management Board.

**Additions are underlined. Deletions are ~~struck through~~ in the text.**

Amendments as adopted:

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Alan & Kris Dirksen  
 Kathy Erholtz  
 Terry & Dawn Erickson  
 Betty Eskola  
 Perry & Linda Fellman  
 June Fiege  
 Sue Fleming  
 Wally & Evelyn Freitag  
 Bruce & Chris Gilbertson  
 Paul & Marie Glaesemann  
 John Glendenning  
 Scott & Sherry Goutermont  
 Steve Greenfield  
 Elsa Hagen  
 Bob & Diane Hansen  
 Wendy Hansen

**Please remember these folks  
 in your prayers this month...**

Kenny & Charlene Harkins  
 Nancy Hassett  
 Judy Hay  
 Bruce & Lynn Hegrenes  
 Jeff & Joan Holter  
 Joshua & Logan Holter  
 Jayne Iverson  
 Sid, Deb & Dan Jarvis  
 Carol Johnson  
 Ian, Christina, Ben & Emily Johnson  
 Brad & Lynn Kamphenkel  
 Dennis & Carol Kolari

### August Worship Responsibilities at Kenwood Lutheran Church

	<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>Welcome Center Attendant</b>	<b>Communion Server</b>	<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Scripture Reader</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
<b>4</b>	Darlene Roebke	Deb Jarvis	Cindy Peterson	Volunteers Needed		Charlene Harkins	Kenny & Charlene Harkins
<b>11</b>	Darlene Roebke	Kathy Erholtz	Dennis Kolari	Volunteers Needed		Craig Carlson	Steve & Sue Teske
<b>18</b>	Darlene Roebke	Darlene Roebke	Bobbie Lou Carlson	Volunteers Needed		Barb Teske	Eric & Tammy Saksa
<b>25</b>	Darlene Roebke	Lori Robison	Lori Robison	Volunteers Needed		Barb Lucia	Lynn Hegrenes & Peggy Pruden

# STEAK FRY

**Kenwood Lutheran Church**  
2720 Myers Ave.  
Thursday, August 15, 2024  
5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.



You're invited to our **STEAK FRY!**

Enjoy a steak dinner or hamburger dinner.

Seating will be available at the church, or opt for curbside pickup.

**Steak Dinner: Steak, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, Dessert \$20**  
**Add mushrooms & onions for an additional \$2**

**Hamburger Dinner: Hamburger, French Fries, Coleslaw, Dessert \$12**

Included beverages available: coffee, milk, lemonade, water

Please return the form below with your payment to have tickets mailed to you.

Tickets will also be available at the door.

**Everyone's welcome! Invite your family, friends, neighbors. See you there!**

Steak Dinner \$20, add mushrooms & onions-additional \$2  
Hamburger Dinner \$12

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Steak Dinners: \_\_\_\_\_ w/mushroom & onion \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Hamburger Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send form & payment to arrive at the church by **August 6** to receive your tickets by mail ahead of time.

Kenwood Lutheran Church  
2720 Myers Ave.  
Duluth, MN 55811

# AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 9:00am Tai Chi	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> 9:30am Hospitality 10:30am Sanctuary Worship	<b>5</b> 9:00am Tai Chi	<b>6</b> 8:30am TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 7:00pm Harbormasters	<b>7</b> 8:45am TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 11:30am Senior Lunch 5:30pm A.A.	<b>8</b> 9:00am Tai Chi 6:30pm Boards and Teams 7:30pm Council Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
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<b>18</b> Newsletter Deadline 9:30am Hospitality 10:30am Sanctuary Worship	<b>19</b> 9:00am Tai Chi	<b>20</b> 8:30am TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 7:00pm Harbormasters	<b>21</b> 8:45am TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30pm A.A. picnic 6:00pm Bridge of Faith Outdoor Potluck & Worship Service @ Rice Lake Park	<b>22</b> 9:00am Tai Chi	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
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## CHURCH MORTGAGE UPDATE

Your donations to the mortgage reduction are much appreciated and are certainly making a difference in reducing what is owed!

Each month, an update will be given in the newsletter that will show our beginning of 2024 mortgage balance and then what we currently owe.

January 2024 balance \$71,311.00

End of July 2024 balance \$29,501.00