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Parish Visitor

Belfield Lutheran Church · Daglum Lutheran Church · Medora Lutheran Church

From the Pastor

The Spirit Is moving!

Life is happening all around us! The snow is finally gone and we've had a few spring showers already! Graduations have happened and families and graduates are preparing for changes! Whether these new changes mean moving to new places far away or just next door, the Spirit is moving.

- The people in Medora are welcoming returning friends and new and returning visitors.
- The Spirit moved over 30 people to Daglum for our Easter Sunrise service this spring!
- See the following pages for more information about our graduates and baptisms!
- Our synod is in the process of gathering to discern where the Spirit might be moving us together as the church in Western ND.

We ended the Easter season hearing Jesus pray for us (John 17) that we would be **one** with God and **one** day with each other. The Holy Spirit shows up on Pentecost and we hear more about the Spirit on Holy Trinity Sunday (6/4). All opportunities to listen for who the Spirit is, and how the Spirit moves us. We listen to the Spirit and we go out, following the movement of the Spirit. The Spirit gives each of us individual gifts for one common good. (1 Corinthians 12:7) Each using our gifts in the one body- together we are the body of Christ- moved by the one Spirit.

I am so thankful for the work so many of you have done in this parish! Some of you serve in worship, leading, reading lessons, serving communion, ushering or greeting, and some of you sing in the choir. Some of you teach Bible studies or Sunday school. Others of you care for our property, shoveling, mowing, cleaning, and helping with repairs. Many of you have the gift of hospitality and use it to provide food and serve at coffee hours, potlucks,



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Vacation Bible School
- Graduation 2023
- Baptism
- Medora Lutheran BBQ
- Youth Mission Weekend

Please join us in Medora, June 24th, at the Cowboy Hall of Fame Patio for a BBQ sponsored by Medora Lutheran Church.



and other parish gatherings (Extravaganza, Fall dinners, Pavilion meals, BBQs, etc.). Some of you make prayer shawls and baptismal blankets to share as gifts for others. Others have served and supported the food pantry. Many of you have contributed financially to the work of the church and the missions we support. There are so many ways in which the Spirit leads us, whether in words or in deeds.

However you have served and continue to serve in these ways, thank you! Together we listen for where the Spirit is leading us individually and as a parish. Where is the Spirit leading you next? The Spirit is moving!

+ *Pastor Dawn Busch*



But the helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. **John 14:26**

**BLC Parish
Fundraiser for
Parsonage Windows
Click here to donate:
Belfieldluthern.org or
medoralutheranchurch.org
Thank You!**

Belfield Lutheran Altar Guild
Our thanks to Nita Northrup and Madeline Layton
for serving in May
Serving in June—Bobbi Tessier & Sharon Braun
Anyone Can Join the Altar Guild!
See Jean Franklin for details.

Parsonage Windows
\$6,688 has been raised so far!
The parsonage is in need of new windows on the main floor. The current windows are original to the house and frost up in the winter.
10 windows are needed at an average cost of \$2000 per window for a total of \$20,000 for all of them.

If you would like to donate to this project, please do one of the following:

- Leave in the offering plate – indicate for the parsonage
- Click Support at belfieldluthern.org or medoralutheranchurch.org
- Mail to BDM Lutheran Parish, PO Box 416, Belfield ND 58622

Do you like to Mow? Looking to volunteer your time?
If so, the Belfield Lutheran Cemetery could use your help!

If you are interested in mowing and trimming at the Belfield Lutheran Cemetery
Please contact Cory Smith at 701-590-4662
Or Ryan Hugelen at 701-590-0169

MEDORA LUTHERAN CHURCH

BBQ COOKOUT

JUNE 24

DURING THE ANNUAL
MEDORA CAR SHOW!

COME READY
TO EAT!




Come find us on the Cowboy Hall of Fame Patio
250 Main Street - Medora, ND

Please watch the Medora Lutheran Church Facebook page and the bulletin announcements for updates.



In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?
John 14:2

VOLUNTEER YOUR YARD

Services

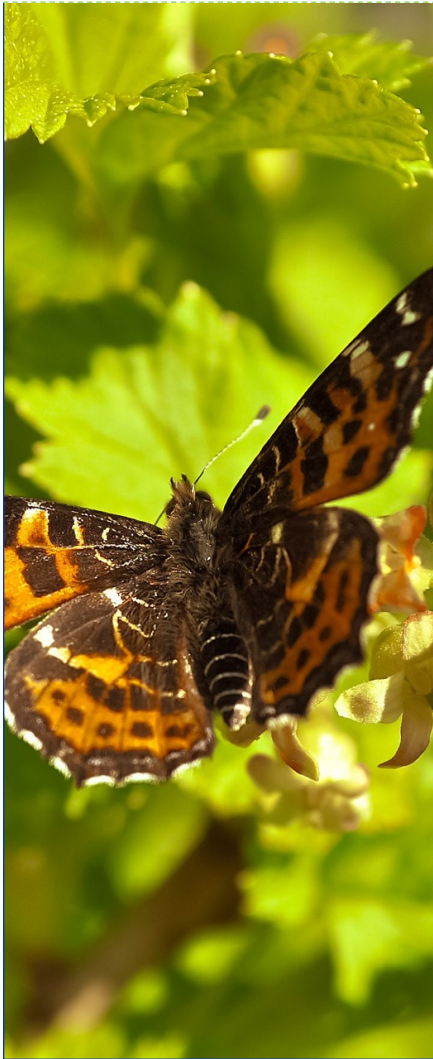
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For assistance call Dana
701-260-5776

The lawnmower is in the shed on the west side of the church. There's no gas there, so please remember to bring that with.





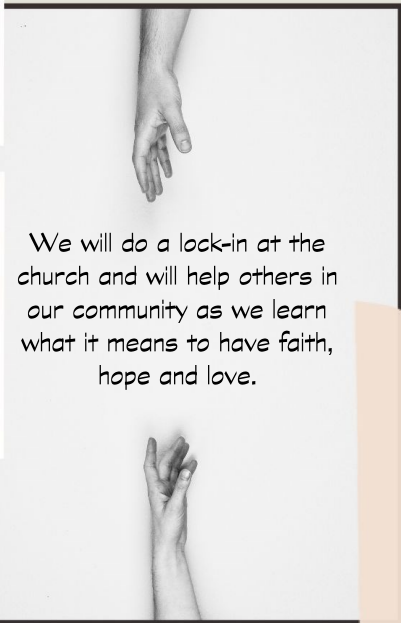
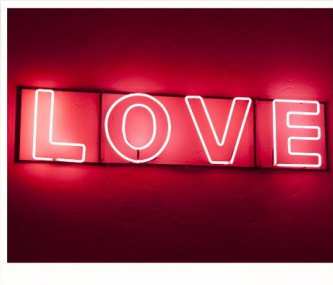
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WORSHIP AT BLC

No experience required
and training is easy!

It's easier than running your
smartphone! Contact Darnyl Malkowski
if you are interested.

For whosoever should call upon the name of the lord shall be saved. **Romans 10:13**

Youth Mission at Home this Summer! Theme is Faith, Hope & Love!



We will do a lock-in at the church and will help others in our community as we learn what it means to have faith, hope and love.

Summer Youth
Mission Weekend

Save the Date, July 14-16th

Vacation Bible School

will be held at

Belfield Lutheran Church

July 10th-13th, 2023

For more information please contact Amanda Johnson at
aa_joh@yahoo.com or 701-690-7880.

[Click here for the Registration Form](#)

Registration forms need to be returned to Belfield Lutheran

By July 2nd. Attn: Amanda Johnson,

13298 35th St SW, Belfield, ND 58622



Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

Acts 2:33

In our ongoing prayers...

Remembering those in our prayers: The Family of Bud Griffin, The Family of Tim O'Brien, The Family of Dwight Lindbo, Adam Gaustad, Todd Corneil, Cord Kessel, Larry Hanson, Lisa Solberg, Cory Tuhy, Halle Blain, Kathy Malkowski, Bryce Wigert, Glenda Buckman, Rosemary Walter, Kwirt Johnson, Dale Oyhus, Mary Knotts, Pastor Beth Parks, Bernadette Obrigewitch, Maurice Obrigewitch, Craig McLaughlin, Lanie Nichols, JoAnne Suomala, Norma Newton, Margaret Braun, Mark Hinrichs, Johnny Syminow, Becky Yadon, Carmen Ruud, Lincoln Lee Johnson, Monica Hushka, Mark Trechock, Marilyn Oyhus, Mindy O'Brien, Chandler Nichols, Bennette Mansfield, those who have lost their jobs, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, all troops and their families and those working for peace in our world.

Please continue to pray for those who have lost their jobs, those with mental illness, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, all troops and their families & those working for peace in our world.

Please help us keep this prayer list active.

To add a loved one to the prayer list for next month's issue, please fill out a prayer request slip during worship, making sure to indicate your desire to have the request published in the newsletter, and place it in the offering basket or email us at newsletter@belfieldlutheran.org



You did it!
Congratulations GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023 



Pictured from Left to Right: Pastor Dawn, McKenzie Bartell, Riley Hugelen, Tate Janda



McKenzie Bartell
 Daughter of Kristi and Daniel Jurief



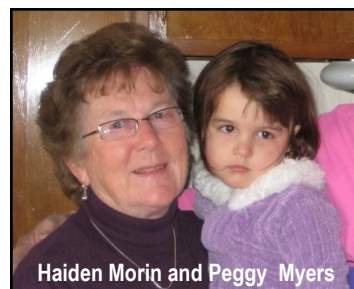
Riley Hugelen
 Daughter of Grace Sneed and
 Ryan Hugelen



Tate Janda
 Son of Rusty and Bobbie Tessier
 and John Janda



Haiden Morin
 Daughter of Jessie and Jordan Morin



Haiden Morin and Peggy Myers

Baptism

Mira Morgan Ross



Mira Morgan Ross was baptized 5/14/23. Mira was born in Dickinson, ND, on December 9, 2015 to Anna Ross. Mira's baptismal sponsors are Carmen Waldo, Bailee Ross, and Irelynn Ross. Welcome to the Belfield church family, Mira!

Maverick Allen Gawryluk

Baptism



Maverick Allen Gawryluk was baptized 5/21/23. Maverick was born in Dickinson, ND, on May 17, 2022 to Terin and Shanea Gawryluk. Maverick's baptismal sponsors are Bobbie Rost, Dylan Gawryluk, Shanon Haugtvedt. Welcome to the Belfield church family!

June

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Worship Synod Assembly in Bismarck 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>7 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran</p>	<p>8 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>2 Synod Assembly in Bismarck 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran</p>	<p>3 Synod Assembly in Bismarck</p>
<p>Worship 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>14 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran</p>	<p>15 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>Worship 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 11:45 am – Daglum 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP</p>	<p>19 6:30 pm – Belfield Council Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>20 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>21 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran</p>	<p>22 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>23 Medora Car Show Medora Lutheran annual BBQ</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>Worship 8:30 am – Medora 10:00 am – Belfield 6:00 pm – Bible Study @ Dwelle's Please RSVP</p>	<p>26 7:00 pm – Faith Foundations Study @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>27 3:30 pm – Pastor's Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>28 8:00 pm – AA Meeting @ Medora Lutheran</p>	<p>29 7:00pm – Bible Study @ Belfield Lutheran</p>	<p>30</p>	



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JUNE 2023

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

This Month's Writer: Paul Marsh, GSB Fundraising Synod Partner

Inviting Generosity!

So much has been written by and for fundraisers about “the ask.” There is a bit of overhyped mythology around asking someone for a gift or gift commitment.

First, let's review how we get to the “ask,” what I prefer to call the “invitation.”

The first step is that we must identify who we are inviting to be generous. In the congregational context, that's pretty easy—it's our members (or act-like members). Next, we want to inform these prospective donors what we are raising money for: replacing the roof? The parking lot? A new Bible study curriculum? The third—and I would argue most important—step is to inspire our prospective donors by linking the request to a vision of enhanced ministry. Tell the story of how someone's life will be changed for the better as a result of a donor's generosity.

Finally, it is time to invite that generosity. Your first job is to listen to the donor. What are they passionate about? Is this a project or ministry that they would be excited to support?

If you are inviting a major gift, a challenge gift, or a lead gift for a campaign, it is important to meet the prospective donor (and their spouse) in person. Use a case statement to inform and inspire them. Then share a proposal which invites them to prayerfully consider a specific gift or a specific range of gifts:

“...would you prayerfully consider a gift of \$10,000?”

As you read that out loud, pause afterwards to let them consider your request. Let the donor break the silence.

Here's the most important thing to remember: your job is not to get a “yes.” It is, rather, to get a decision. We are not selling them anything, we are inviting them to be a part of something important.

As Henri Nouwen in his book “A Spirituality of Fundraising” writes, “We do not need to worry about the money. Rather, we need to worry about whether, through the invitation we offer the donor and the relationship we develop with them, they will come closer to God.”

Don't forget that you are not alone in this endeavor. My partner Pete Reuss and I are available for you to call, Zoom, email or text with questions or to simply talk through a visit with a donor in your congregation. Our contact information is on the ND Synod website under “staff.”

Go forth and invite generosity! It is life changing for the donor AND for your ministry.

Paul Marsh, GSB Fundraising Synod Partner



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Worship Schedule

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11	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship
18	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship Daglum Worship
25	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Medora Worship Belfield Worship

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the "June" Parish visitor
in memory of:*

*Allan (Ted) Thompson
Allan W & Myrtle Thompson*

*Thank-you
Joyce*

Thank you to Joyce Thompson for sponsoring this edition of the Parish Visitor in memory of Allan "Ted" Thompson, Allan W. & Myrtle Thompson

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