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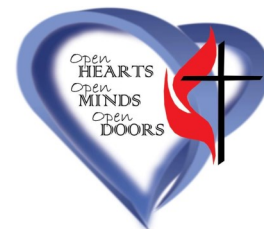


# July.....2022

## The Messenger

**UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**  
109 N. Freeman Avenue  
Luverne, MN 56156

~  
(507) 283-4529  
Pastor Dorie Hall





## From the Pastor

Happy Summer Everyone!

So far, our summer has been quite remarkable! The weather of course first comes to mind. It has been quite an unusual Spring with farmers being a little more challenged in the early planting than has been the normal. I think this will be the first Fourth of July I can remember from recent past that the corn will not tower over us....it will probably hit knee high, but not much more. The Supreme Court is issuing some historic and life changing decisions, our everyday life struggles with inflation, gas prices, border issues, loss of life in historic numbers due to illegal drugs, unheard of issues in simple places like the shortage of infant formula, the way we treat each other and I could go on...

Our recent shut-in visits gave us a wonderful devotion which seems appropriate for us to reflect on every day, but for you here today as well, especially in our current environment and what lies ahead. Jesus Calling for June 21 told us that "we should not rush into *My presence with time consciousness gnawing at your mind.*" This means that when we plan on spending time with Jesus, we should let that simply be....to not worry about what we should be doing, not planning the grocery list or lawn mowing at the same time, that we should be present with Jesus at that moment.

# BUDGET

## GENERAL BUDGET TOTALS

May 29, 2022 thru June 26, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 7,741.00
Loose offering	\$ 482.00
Apportionments	\$ 100.00
Radio	\$ 190.00
Holy Spirit Café	\$ 46.00
Reimbursement	\$ 1,953.00
Online Giving (May)	\$ <u>4,905.00</u>
	\$ 15,417.00

**TOTAL \$ 15,417.00**

## NON-BUDGET DONATIONS

Silver Bucket	\$ 241.56
Pie and Ice Cream Social	\$ 950.00
Endowment Fund	\$ <u>40.00</u>
	\$ 1,231.56

**TOTAL \$ 1,231.56**

**TOTALS \$ 15,417.00**  
**\$ 1,231.56**  
**\$ 16,648.56**

**GRAND TOTAL \$ 16,648.56**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**THIS TOTAL  
INCLUDES MAY  
29TH OFFERING.  
ONLINE GIVING  
FOR MAY.**

Date	Lay Reader	Hosts	Power Point	Sound	Tellers
July 3	Becky Anderson	Bryce Schomacker	Carol McDonald	David Vis	Felicia Hanson
July 10	Lola Donth	Shane and Katie Sauer	Open	Jason Kruse	Everett and Jan Brandenburg
July 17	Mary Gehrke	Becky Anderson	Jennifer Hilfers	Matthew Fick	Gene Ashby
July 24	Laura Hollaren	Bryce Schomacker	Jeanne Bowron	Luther Hall	Jay and Bev Mann
July 31	Mandie Petersen	Christine VonHoltum	Carol McDonald	Jason Kruse	Felicia Hanson

Date	Worship Assistants	Coffee Makers
July 3	Jerry Rigney	Shannon Dwire
July 10	Felicia Hanson	Emily Crabtree
July 17	Jack Hanson	Jerry and Ann Rigney
July 24	Willy Baker	Wyatte Kruse
July 31	Jeanne Bowron	Lola Donth

**Communion:** Becky Anderson

**Video:** Beth Fick



### TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK FOR JULY 2022

June 27, 2022 thru July 3, 2022 - Roger Carlson  
 July 4, 2022 thru July 10, 2022 - Jeanne Bowron  
 July 11, 2022 thru July 17, 2022 - Beth Fick  
 July 18, 2022 thru July 24, 2022 - Jay Mann  
 July 25, 2022 thru July 31, 2022 - Jack Hanson

Jesus encourages us to “master time, or it will master us.” Is that a reality or what?! As we look around our world, everywhere we turn we are reacting to what happens when our lives, our time, governs us rather than the other way around.

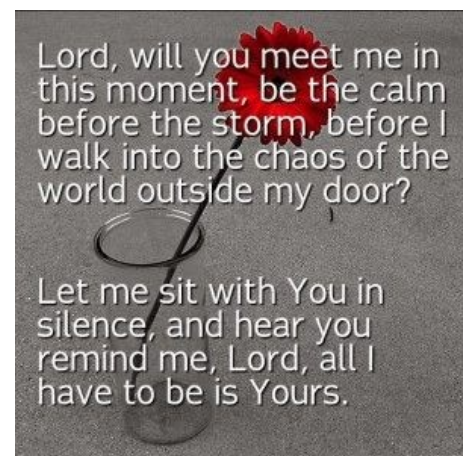
The devotion ends by saying, “***seek to meet me in timelessness.*** As you focus on Me, the demands of time and tasks will diminish. I will bless you and keep you.”

Isn't it time, dear friends, for us to return and deepen our lives in our faith? Isn't it time to return to focus on peace rather than all the other stuff we see out there...? What does Jesus give us or teach us or call us to that is so bad compared to what is before us in the world? Why do we run from it or avoid it or get lost in time as it is?

Food for thought! Because one way or another, there will be a time when we really do need Jesus.

Blessings,

*Pastor Jorie*





# LUMC UPCOMING EVENTS

- ☒ Outdoor Communion Service at the Lake - July 3
- ☒ Prayer Warriors - July 3
- ☒ Fourth of July
- ☒ July Community Meal at the fairgrounds - July 27
- ☒ Meals on Wheels - August 2022
- ☒ LUMC Salad Luncheon - August 4
- ☒ Outdoor Service in backyard - August 7



COMMUNION SUNDAY  
JULY 3, 2022

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SHUT-IN COMMUNION  
JULY 19, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

## Salad Luncheon



All are  
Welcome!  
Join Us!



Thursday August 4, 2022

11:00am - 1:00pm

Cost:

Adults \$10.00      12 and under \$5.00

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We will be having a new Luverne UMC Handbook coming out this month. This will contain much of the same information as the first one, along with a few additions of course, changes to our member directory and the Worship Assistant lists of names and responsibilities and more. There is still time to get any address changes, etc. into the office. We would like to keep these handbooks as current as possible for all of you. If you feel you may have something to add or have changes to report, please do so as soon as you can. Thanks so much for your help! ~ Jakki



For those helping with our Salad Luncheon...here is what you need to know:

- Make double recipe such as a full 9x13 pan amount.
- Salads may be brought to the church Wed. Aug. 3 from 7-9pm and Thurs. morning - the day of - from 8-10am.
- Sign up sheets for salads will be available by Sunday, July 10th - Posted in the back of the Sanctuary.
- We will ask for volunteers to make salads if not signed up for by the end of July.
- Cash donations accepted as well.
- We will need helpers Wednesday night (Aug. 3) and Thursday (Aug. 4) to help prepare, serve and clean-up.

If you have questions please feel free to contact Sandy Vogt. Thank you in advance for your help and contributions.



Summer is upon us and therefore it is time to get back “out” there and enjoy the summer weather and sunshine!! So...we are going to hold Outdoor Worship Services the first Sunday of each month for the next three months (depending on Mother Nature and her weather choices of course). All are welcome to join us!

The dates and locations are as follows:

*July 3rd at the Lake ~  
August 7th here in our own backyard again*

Outdoor Services have been wonderful in the past...please mark your calendars! The Holy Spirit is felt outside as well as in! Please bring your lawn chairs and join us!



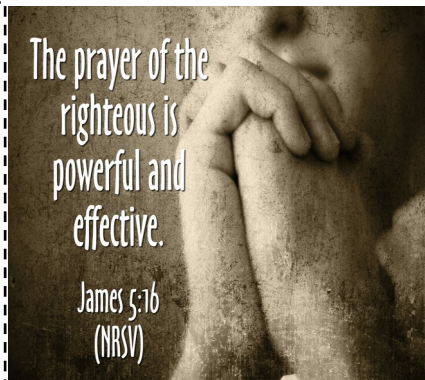
**On Sunday, July 17, 2022....**

*We have invited our District Superintendent Fred Vanderwerf to come and spend the day with us. We will begin our time with worship, where Rev. Dr. Vanderwerf will share a special message and then we will enjoy a special catered meal. There will also be a time of learning and discussing what is ahead for us as a denomination. The council voted to approve this event as a way to share information. The Council plans on bringing several opportunities of information sharing and our members are encouraged to attend to get a good understanding of what is before us as a church and faith family.*

*We will need to plan for numbers for the meal, so please RSVP to the church office as your intent to be a part of this special day.*



**The Prayer Chain** Please call Jan Brandenburg @ 283-4059 for specific announcements. Our prayer chain has been expanded to include our faith family and areas of ministry on a rotating basis. Who couldn't use the help of prayers in life occasionally? The Prayer Chain list for the month is as follows:



**WEEK OF July 3, 2022** - Mike Aanenson Family, Roger Carlson, Madison Crabtree, Carol Kor and Steve Ferguson, Keith and Melanie Peterson, Dr. Darrel and Eleanor Siebert and for our United Men.

**WEEK OF July 10, 2022** - Steve and Penny Cattnach Family, Travis and Shannon Dwire Family, David and Anissa Vis, Becky and Anderson, Dr. George and Carol McDonald, Jerry and Beth Wieman and for our UMC Bible Studies.

**WEEK OF July 17, 2022** - Jack and Felicia Hanson, Ed and Cherice Ray Family, Jordan and Andrea Sparks Family, Rev. Dr. Deborah Mariya, LaVonne Anderson and for our Leadership and Pastor.

**WEEK OF July 24, 2022** - Jeff and Johnna Ahrendt Family, Josh and Ashley Christensen Family, Jason and Brittany Remme, James Hanson, Kevin Kraetsch and Sherri Smith, Clyde and Ginny Menning and for Senior Dining.

**WEEK OF July 31, 2022** - Andrew and Justine Miller, Wayne and Amy Kruger Family, Bruce and Linda Reisdorfer Family, Lee and Megan Tapper, Jacob Fick and for the Leadership of our Country.

## God Bless America! ~ July 4, 2022



## Community Meal





**Sponsor a broadcast for \$90.** The chart for 2022 is on the bulletin board by the church office. Signup today!!!! UMC TV broadcast can be seen on Mondays @ 3:00pm and Fridays @ 5pm on Vast Local Channel 3. Listen to KQAD Radio Broadcast on Sundays at 10:30am on 800 Radio. Here is a list of our supporters for the month of June 2022:

**June 5, 2022** ~ Today's broadcast is offered up in prayer and love to all the children and others lost in the Uvalde, Texas school shooting. Let us also pray for peace for those in mourning from this horrible tragedy.

**June 12, 2022** ~ Today's broadcast is in honor of all those dad's in our faith family and beyond, may you know you are great! Even though kids always try and sometimes succeed at acting as they don't care, that is a lie! They care and they love you. It is so hard to parent these days no matter who you are! Don't worry, you're doing great! May all of you feel the love of your children today and everyday. Happy Father's Day to all of you!

**June 19, 2022** ~ Today's broadcast is in honor of all those parents and grandparents in our faith family and beyond. It is so hard to parent these days no matter who you are! Don't worry, you're doing great! May all of you feel the love of your children today and everyday. God Bless you all.

**June 26, 2022** ~ Today's broadcast is in honor of summer and all of the fun activities we will do - or have already done as a faith family! It is so great to get together in fun and fellowship as we come up with activities together...outdoor services, a Sunday Worship service with Rev. Vanderwerf and more to come!

## UMC Luverne Members and Friends that live in Special Homes.

Mary Jane Brown Home - Luverne

- Ardie Schmidt

Poplar Creek Assisted Living - Luverne

- Bill Holling - Annabelle Frakes

The Oaks - Luverne - Sally Cooksley

MN Vets Home - Luverne - Buster Rust

Evans Memorial Home - Cresco, IA - Carol Ohlsen



We visit and share Holy Communion with those wonderful members of our community and faith family who find it difficult to join us here at the church. If you would like us to bring communion to you, please call the office. We will continue to do so on the **third Tuesday of every month** as long as the health of our community and the place of residence allows us to do so! Every time we have so much fun visiting with everyone Our next communion visit is:

**July 19, 2022 ~ 10am**





The registration forms have gone out and they should be returned ASAP so we can plan for food, etc. If you don't receive one and would like to join us, please call Pastor Dorie. There is a \$25 charge for this weekend trip.

# CONFIRMATION RETREAT

## DISCUSSION ON WHAT LIES AHEAD FOR OUR DENOMINATION

We also have our special service and a less formal time for discussion over lunch with Fred as well on Sunday, **July 17<sup>th</sup>** as shown in this Messenger as well! We hope to see all attend so that you stay in the know about the future of our church.



# July.....2022

- 3 - Randy Mulder  
4 - Dale Reverts  
Dawn Cope  
6 - Jace Yamauchi  
Emerie Sauer  
8 - Jerry Wieman  
12 - Anissa Vis  
Morgan Ahrendt  
14 - Amanda Breheny  
Nicole Davis  
Sally Cooksley  
16 - Kathryn Dahl  
18 - Penny Cattnach  
19 - Travis Dwire  
Sandy Vogt  
20 - Bruce Reisdorfer  
24 - Ardie Schmidt  
25 - Shane Sauer  
26 - Everett Brandenburg  
Linda Hanson  
27 - John Hilfers  
28 - Shannon Dwire  
30 - Ray Hankins  
31 - Hanna Renken

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## What's the real meaning of Independence Day?

Independence Day, better known to some people as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday that commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence of the United States on July 4, 1776.



It's historically significant because the Continental Congress declared the 13 American colonies no longer were subject to the British monarchy. Let that sink in. In 1776, Britain was a global superpower, and to declare independence took a lot of spunk, to put it lightly. Of course, the United States had to win the lengthy American Revolutionary War, which it did.

So, although Independence Day celebrates the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Americans' quest for freedom went way beyond that act. Simple signatures don't always do the trick. However, Americans have been celebrating Independence Day for years, and, like Christmas, sometimes the true meaning gets lost in all the hoopla. That hoopla, such as fireworks, parades and cookouts, represents a good time for families and communities. That's fine. They are a fun way for people to get together and have fun, hopefully in a safe manner. But Independence Day means more than sparklers, just as Christmas means more than presents under the tree. It represents people's efforts to earn and keep freedom, and that's a struggle that continues to this day.

Sometimes the struggles are big, such as the ongoing civil rights movement. Others are smaller and more personal in nature, and just about everybody probably has a story to tell on that front. However, a nation gaining independence from another nation is pretty big. The quest for freedom is noted on other national holidays, such as Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Independence Day stands out more, though, because it's more festive and less contemplative in nature.

Again, we love a fireworks display and a July 4 parade, with its decorated floats, marching bands and U.S. flags. But people should remember all the sacrifices that went into the celebration, and those sacrifices, in some way or another.



We began our summer activities during the Buffalo Days activities with our ice cream social...all that yumminess could put you in a sugar coma, but its so worth it in the end...

we also had our quilt raffle presented by Sewn in faith...look at this great turnout!



Next we will be sharing a few great pictures

from our VBS fun!



And lets not forget these lovely young ladies who go every month to chat and hang out with our homebound..

SUMMER  
ice cream  
sunshine  
FLIP FLOPS  
lemonade  
BARE FEET  
vacation  
MEMORIES

A GREAT start to our  
LUMC Summer  
Memories...





July 2022 silver Bucket



# Food Shelf



All Silver Bucket donations for the month of July will be going to support the Rock County Food Shelf.

The Rock County Food Shelf is at its new location: **208 W. Maple Street** in Luverne and is held once a week. Their times are as follows:

**The 1st, 2nd, and 4th Thursday  
1pm-3pm**

**The 3rd Thursday has two pick up times  
1pm-3pm AND 5pm-6pm**

The food shelf is designed to help families in need by providing them basic food in an emergency.

Please give generously to this important cause!



**The completed applications for the Endowment Fund grants will need to be completed by July 15, 2022. Rewards will be given out on Endowment Sunday on September 11, 2022.**

**If you have questions, please feel free to contact any one of the members of the Endowment Fund Committee.  
Thank you!**

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Sunshine receipts for the period April thru June 18 totaled \$20,966.64



meaning we will receive a check for the church in the amount of \$209.67.

Thank you for your continued support by putting your receipts in the 'Sunshine Receipts' box in the Sanctuary.

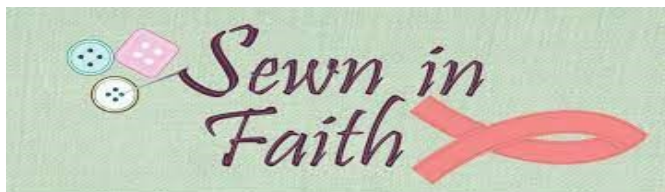






July 3, 2022

Please feel free to join us  
after the service...  
all are welcome!



*The Sewn in Faith team has been having so much fun together that we have decided to meet 2 times each month. We will be meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month now.*

*We are still meeting in the old Food Shelf Room at 1:30pm.*

*Our meetings for June are June are:*

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*July 12th and July 26th*



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2022



# JULY



2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div>PASTOR VACATION JULY 25 - AUGUST 8</div>					1	2  8pm - AA Mtg
					8	9  8pm - AA Mtg
					YOUTH RETREAT	
3 9:30am - Service at the Lake - BRING OWN LAWN CHAIR Communion Sunday Prayer Warriors after Service 4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	4	5 1:30pm - God's Circle  7pm - Cub/Boy Scouts	6  8pm - AA Meeting	7		
10 9:30am - Adult Sunday School 10:30am - Worship Service 4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study  <div>YOUTH RETREAT</div>	11	12 11am - PD in Worthington  1:30pm - Sewn in Faith 7pm - Cub/Boy Scouts	13	14 6:30pm - Zoom Meeting at the church or in person - Marshall District	15	16  8pm - AA Mtg
17 9:30am - Adult Sunday School 9:45pm - Coffee Hour 10:30am - Worship Service - Fred Vanderwerf - Meal/Discussion After 4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	18 6pm - W&M Meeting - at church - bring own meal	19 10am - Shut in visits	20  8pm - AA Mtg	21	22	23  8pm - AA Mtg
24 9:30am - Adult Sunday School 10:30am - Worship Service 4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	25  Messenger Deadline	26 1:30pm - Sewn in Faith 7pm - Cub/Boy Scouts	27 5:30pm - Community Meal - Fairgrounds 8pm - AA Mtg	28	29	30  8pm - AA Mtg
31 9:30am - Adult Sunday School 10:30am - Hymn Sing Worship Service 4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study	August 1	2 9:30am - Folding Team 7pm - Cub/Boy Scouts	3  8pm - AA Mtg	4 11am - Salad Luncheon	5	6  8pm - AA Mtg