

First & Palisade Lutheran Parish



June 2024



During the summer months we will have
JOINT SERVICES !

All worship services will start at 10:00 am.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at each church the first Sunday of the month that the service is held at that location.

June Worship Schedule

2nd—Joint Worship w/Communion at Palisade Lutheran

9th—Joint Worship w/Communion at First Lutheran

16th—Joint Worship at Palisade Lutheran

23rd—Joint Worship at First Lutheran

30th—Joint Worship at Palisade Lutheran

**Join us in worship with
Pastor Mark Eliason**

Serving

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Valley Springs, SD 57068

&

Palisade Lutheran Church
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are livestreamed on Facebook
every Sunday!

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. (Luke 11:9-10)



Greetings in the name of our risen Lord.

June marks the beginning of the longest season of the church year, Pentecost.

Pentecost and summer are also times of the year when traditionally attendance in worship drops significantly due to camping, vacations, and the fact that school is out for the summer and members of churches all around the world spend time together as families involved in recreational activities such as softball, picnics, and time at the lake. These are wonderful times for families and special times that help us reconnect with each other in ways that tend to be more difficult during the cold winter months and when the extra-curricular activities, inherent with school, fill our schedules.

For the church summer has a different effect. With the drop in attendance comes a drop in giving as well. People are not in church as much and often we forget that even though things are not as busy, there is still a financial need in the church.

The past few months have been an exciting time at First and Palisade. We have received some very generous gifts with which we have been able to do ministry locally as well as around the world. With these gifts both First and Palisade are making a difference in the lives of people who are truly in need and people are receiving the Good News message of hope and resurrection.

But as with any other organization this year has seen challenges too as we have had some unexpected expenses come up and the need is greater than what we could predict.

What I am asking today is that each of you who reads this article prayerfully consider how you might assist the church in covering these expenses. I want to stress "Prayerfully" here. It is important that we ask God to lead and guide us in all aspects of life and giving to the church or another worthy organization should always include prayerful consideration.

I know that there are many people in the congregation that can help, and I thank you in advance for your willingness to meet the need. I also know that there are many who are not able to contribute financially at this time and I ask you to continue to pray for the work we are doing together.

The need is great, and the need is immediate, and I am trusting that God will provide what is needed at this time as we seek God's guidance in all we do.

I look forward to a great summer serving God in this place and I look forward to ministering to and with all of you. All we do and all we say is for the glory of God and the hope and assurance of the resurrection is the message we bring to the world.

God bless you as you continue to seek God's will through prayer and as God blesses with abundance and hope.

Peace,
Pastor Mark Eliason



Palisade WELCA Minutes

May 9, 2024

The Palisade WELCA met on Thursday, May 9th, 2024, at 1:30pm with 5 members present.

Bible study was opened with prayer, led by Pastor Mark. Topic of discussion was “Scripture and nature: Teachers of faith” (Session 3 - Rivers).

No WELCA meeting April 2024.

No business meeting today. Treasurer distributed report and balance in checking May 8th was \$1,271.70.

Celebration of our 150th Anniversary of the church was a huge success.

Pie & Ice Cream social will be on August 11th, 2024. Will discuss further in the next couple months.

Next WELCA meeting will be Thursday, June 13th. Bible lesson will come from May/June Gather.

Deb Johnson, Secretary

We will be getting rid of all nursery/baby stuff in the Cry/Entry area at First Lutheran. If you want any of the items or if it is yours, please make arrangements with Pastor Mark to pick them up.

All items should be removed by June 9 or they will be disposed of.

Thank you.



Garretson Legion will be serving breakfast

on Sunday, June 3rd

at the American Legion Hall in Garretson

9:00 am—1:00 pm. Freewill donation.

Menu: Omelets and Toast/Scrambled Eggs and Ham



Newsletter information
may be mailed to:

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DEADLINE for the July newsletter
is June 19, 2024

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Palisade Lutheran Council Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2024

The Palisade Church Council was called to order by President Gary Lyngen @ 7:05 pm. Others present were Pastor Mark Eliason, Tylene Jansma, Candy Reese, Pete Bakken and Cheryl Lyngen

Devotions and Prayer given by Pastor Mark, due to automation and technology of life, leaves more time for Prayer and Reflection

Secretary's report: April minutes read, no action/no quorum

Treasure's report: reviewed and discussed report, no action/no quorum

Pastor's report: made phone calls to home bound parishioners, Confirmation classes concluded, had Pizza Party with Students and their families, Checking into Summer camp options as students are interested

Outreach Team: No meetings, will be meeting soon to organize Aug 12th Ice Cream Social

Correspondence: none

Old Business: Camera/ Sound system- Pastor to contact Travis D to trouble shoot the sound system

Zoom test- not set up

Signage at intersection- In process

150th Anniversary Review and Comments- Good attendance, served 150, went very well

Balcony Wall repair- discussed and will be looking into further recommendations

New Business: None

Next meeting: June 13th, 2024 @ 7pm

Parish Council Meeting- May 16, 2024 @ First Lutheran @ 7pm

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Cheryl Lyngen, Secretary

Palisade Cemetery Association Update

The Cemetery Association held their annual meeting on March 28th. Changes were made to charges effective July 1, 2024.

Perpetual care costs for all burials at the West and East Palisade Cemeteries shall be \$250.00. Lot costs will be \$250.00 for members of Palisade Church or \$500.00 for non-members of the church.

This may be a good time to review your lot placement, purchase a lot or address any concerns you may have. Please feel free to contact Richard Bakken (605-376-0040) or Rodney Lowe (605-366-0114).



First Lutheran Council Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Les Hengeveld with 10 members present and the pastor. Pastor Mark opened the meeting with prayer.

Secretary's Report: MSC to approve the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report: MSC to approve the treasurer's report. The parsonage account has been combined with the treasurer's report. Council discussed the use of donations through debit or credit cards, called eGiving.

Pastor's Report: The Pastor commended Jerry Kerkhove for his diligence in keeping the council informed of the state of our finances. Confirmation has ended for this season. Addison will be confirmed in October. Two other students will continue with their studies. It is possible there will be 6 or 7 students starting confirmation. These confirmation students often bring friends and family to our church as well.

Old Business:

Projects discussed in the last few months have been put on hold due to the pressing needs of the parsonage. This includes the concrete work, down spouts and painting of the narthex. No news on the audio system. Inventory of church properties is ongoing with trustees taking the lead. Estimates of values on church properties (pews, lecterns, organ, etc) will be collected by October when insurance needs will be reexamined.

New Business:

Our renters have moved out, so there is much to be done in the parsonage. This includes removal of items left by the renters, cleaning, redoing the bathroom, replacing flooring, and painting. There is approximately \$12,000 available so church members will do as much of the work as possible to stretch funds. June 1, 10:00 AM is set to begin work in earnest. Some clearing and cleaning may be done before that. A dumpster is on site. Donations toward these expenses will be requested and appreciated. All expenses must be channeled through Jerry.

Darice wants us to consider clearing the Cry Room by June 9 for additional storage space.

Confirmands and other church members will be asked to help with communion wine distribution. The Tuft Board meeting is July 15, time to be announced. Synod Assembly is May 31-June 1 at Our Savior's in Sioux Falls.

Next Council meeting is June 18, 2024. Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Finck, Secretary



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order at First by President Lyle Rollag at 7:00 P.M. There were 10 council members and Pastor Mark present.

Pastor Mark opened with devotions and prayer. Confirmation is over for the year.

The secretary's report from the February 15, 2024 meeting was read and approved. The treasurer's report was read. The balance in the checking account is \$7,039.60. It was noted that the main copier was repaired for \$382.81. There are three copier/printers in the secretary's office. Pastor Mark mentioned that one of them doesn't work. It was agreed that he can take it to the Sioux Falls Hazardous Waste Facility for recycling. Report was approved.

Summer Schedule:

May 26 – First

June 2 – Palisade

June 9 – First

June 16 – Palisade

June 23 – First

June 30 – Palisade

July 7 – Palisade

July 14 – Valley Springs Legion Park Community Worship

July 21 – First

July 28 – Palisade

August 4 – First

August 11 – Palisade (Sunday Fun Day and WELCA Ice Cream Social)

August 18 – First

August 25 – Palisade

September 1 – First

Old Business: None

New Business: Vacation Bible School will be held at the Valley Springs Reformed Church. VBS is tentatively scheduled for the week of July 21-25.

Next Council meeting will be August 15th at 7:00 P.M. at Palisade.

Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Kerkhove

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June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 SD Synod Assembly
2 10 AM Joint Worship w/ Communion at Palisade Lutheran	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 10 AM Joint Worship w/ Communion at First Lutheran	10	11	12	13 1:30 pm Palisade WELCA Meeting 7 pm Palisade Council meeting	14	15
16 FATHER'S DAY 10 AM Joint Worship at Palisade Lutheran	17	18 7 pm First Council meeting	19 Deadline for July newsletter	20	21	22
23 10 AM Joint Worship at First Lutheran	24	25	26	27	28	29
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the *Lord*
is my
Strength
and my
Shield
Psalms 28:7