



# June 2019 Newsletter

## Worship Schedule

May - Aug.

8:30 LqP Worship

10:15 Garfield Worship



## FROM THE PASTOR

"There is no substitute for sharing in worship." It probably doesn't surprise you that I would make that statement. But I believe it, as well, and I am not alone. Of course, a person can get along without worshipping, but as humans we shouldn't be satisfied with just getting along. Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "There is a little corner in my heart called reverence that needs watering each week." He was right,

Studies reveal that on any given Sunday, 35% of ELCA church members will attend a worship service. This means that 65% are church members only in the sense that they know which church they are not attending.

There is a true story about a man who never missed Sunday Services. It was not because he always found the hymns uplifting or the sermons inspiring. The real reason he gave for attending was good. He said, "The preacher is just a young feller, and I never know when he's going to need my advice."

But the real reasons are deeper. This man had lived through dust storms, tornadoes, blizzards, and floods. He had seen war and peace, feast and famine. No job on the farm ever over-powered him.

What he had that moved him always to go to church was a felt need for God's grace, a deep sense of gratitude for God's goodness, quiet reverence and a total commitment to the best he knew. Those qualities of character were, I think, what people respected in him more than anything else. He and his church didn't always agree, but they were always together.

In the summer, even though people go away to attend reunions, camp, vacation, and other numerous places, the church is still here. Remember that attendance at worship services enables us all to give visible witness to that which we believe. There is no substitute for sharing in worship. So Come and receive what God has to offer in worship so that we might better live out our calling in this world.

See You in Church!

*Pastor Bruce*

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# News for Both Churches

## ACOLYTES FOR JUNE

	<u>For Garfield</u>	<u>For LqP</u>	<i>Church Attendance</i>	<u>Garfield</u>	<u>LqP</u>
June 2	Katelyn Wiese	Nate Gruwell	May 5	41	24
June 9	Jacob Bringle	-----	May 12	56	38
June 16	LaRay Polzine	-----	May 19	52	16
June 23	Cole Bjornson	-----	May 26		
June 30	Jayden Jimoh	-----			

**USHERS-** Please remember to get a count of the people at the worship services and write it down. We do make use of the attendance—we have to report it in the parochial reports to the ELCA, and it helps in next year's preparation as to how many bulletins to prepare, Communion to get ready for, etc., especially on holidays in the church. Thanks!

## JUST THINKING.....

I imagine this wouldn't have to be pointed out, but I thought maybe it wouldn't hurt! In your planning this summer, remember that you do have TWO choices of worship times to choose from. Garfield members-- if you have to be some place later in the morning and feel 10:15 is too late, you could always come out to Lac qui Parle's church service at 8:30 a.m.! Or Lac qui Parle members--- if 8:30 a.m. church seems too early for you at times, you could always come to Garfield's church service at 10:15 a.m.! The worship services between the two churches are pretty much the same. Something to think about!

There will be an ecumenical worship service on Sunday, June 30 at 11 am at Riverside Park in Dawson for Riverfest. There will be no service at LqP, but Garfield will still have their service at 10:15 a.m. that day.

## SYNOD ASSEMBLY VOTING MEMBERS NEEDED FOR BOTH CHURCHES

The SW MN Synod Assembly will be held Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8 in Redwood Falls. Garfield is looking for one male and one female voting member, and Lac qui Parle is looking for a voting member. If Lac qui Parle sends only one, they can be either male or female. If they send two, it needs to be one female and one male voting member. If interested, please talk to Pastor Bruce.

### To all Fathers...

-"A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, unnoticed, and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society." -- Billy Graham, Christian Evangelist

-"My father used to play with my brother and me in the yard. Mother would come out and say, "you're tearing up the grass." "We're not raising grass," dad would reply. "We're raising boys." -- Harmon Killebrew, Famed baseball player with the Minnesota Twins

-"We are given children to test us and make us more spiritual." -- George Will, U.S. Journalist

-"I don't care how poor a man is; if he has family, he's rich" --"Colonel Potter," M\*A\*S\*H

### To those who owe it all to their fathers...

-"My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it." -- Clarence Budington Kelland, U.S. Writer

-"The greatest gift I ever had came from God; call him Dad!" -- Anonymous

-"My greatest fear is that I won't live up to my father's dreams for me" -- Anonymous

**Happy Father's Day!!**

Lac Qui Parle Lutheran Sunday School Presents:

## Jesus League...



“Jesus Is My Superhero”

**June 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

SUNDAY, JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> : 4:00-7:30  
MONDAY AND TUESDAY, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup> & 11<sup>TH</sup> : 5:30-7:30  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup> : 6:00 PROGRAM & POTLUCK

We will be serving a supper meal on Sunday at the start of VBS. Please make sure your child/ren eat before coming on Monday and Tuesday as we will only be serving a snack. We ask that each child bring \$5.00 and we will purchase a t-shirt to decorate. On Wednesday we will have a short program followed by a pot luck supper (bring a dish to share). Families and the congregation are invited to attend to see what we learned about during the week.

**We look forward to spending time with your children  
for 4 days full of fun and growing in their faith!**

**VBS is open to all children ages 3 years- 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**We welcome your child to bring a friend or two to join us during the week!**

**If you have any questions please feel free to contact us...**

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# Garfield News

## ***GARFIELD WELCA***

Our June WELCA meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at the Madison Lutheran Home. We will serve the residents 'a slice of pie' at 2:30 p.m. The Food Committee is asked to be at the Home at 1:45 to cut and plate the pie. The Home will bake the pies for us, and we'll give a donation of \$100 to the Home. Our members will not be called to bring pie.

After all have enjoyed their pie, we will be helping them play Bingo, and will provide the prizes, which will be 3 rolls of nickels. We will not be presenting a program.

We ask that our WELCA members plan to come to help, as some residents aren't able to play by themselves. It is also important that we spend the afternoon visiting with the residents, all of them, but especially our own members. See you on June 12<sup>th</sup>!

## **May 2019 Garfield Lutheran WELCA**

The Garfield WELCA met Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the church. Six members were present. Lorraine called the meeting to order with a prayer, followed by the theme verse and theme hymn. The Secretary's minutes were read from the April meeting. The Treasurer's report was given.

Old Business: The amount actually paid to the VFW for use of their facility was \$50 not the \$35 mentioned in the April minutes. Fifty dollars is the amount charged for using their facility,

New Business: -Wednesday, June 12 will be Madison Lutheran Home Pie Day. Ten pies will be furnished through the dietary department. Bingo and the birthday party will make up the program. The food committee will be dishing up and serving the pie, need to be there at 1:45. A motion was made to donate \$100 to cover cost of the pies.

-Someone from the Historical Society is requesting a donation of some quilts to be given to families in our county for Christmas gifts. They would like to have them by November.

-Plans are beginning for the Salad Supper

Program: Lorraine opened the program with prayer and a devotion from Mark 4:26-28.

-Norma read a story about quilting

-We listened to a recording of Susan Boyle singing "Amazing Grace"

-Lorraine read a short story about quilting

-We all read a section of a picture story of LWR quilts and kits sent to Tanzania.

-song MOTHER

-Offering

Lunch was served by Lorraine Connor and Lorna Johnson

Our next regular meeting will be at 7 PM on July 10, 2019. Servers will be Elois Kveene and Jeri Popma.

Secretary, Mary Jo Patzer

# Garfield News

## Garfield Lutheran Church Council Meeting-- May 1, 2019

Garfield Lutheran Church Council met on May 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Jeri Popma, Gene Winkels, Mona Buer, Terry Berndt, Aaron Olson, Ron Enger, Missy Schmidt and Todd Patzer. Also present was Pastor Bringle.

The meeting was called to order by President Jeri Popma. Pastor Bringle led us with opening Devotions and a Prayer.

Agenda additions: none

The minutes for April 3, 2019 were read. Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's Reports were read. Motioned by Todd Patzer to accept the minutes, treasurer's and Financial reports was made and seconded by Gene Winkels. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report: There is a new and rather large map/poster of the congregations in the SW MN Synod. It will be given to the WELCA ladies to decide where to put it.

WELCA Report: No report.

Trustee Report: There will be a workday this summer to do outside maintenance and projects. No date has been set.

Deacon Report: No report.

Unfinished Business: A) Constitution and By-Laws Committee are still working on when to meet. B) Voting members for the Synod Assembly were not elected at the annual meeting. We need to find one male and one female delegate. It is June 7 and 8 in Redwood Falls. C) Senior recognition is set for Sunday, May 19 for Harrison Patzer. D) Request from Madison Ministerial Association for yearly donation to the Ministerial checking account. Garfield Lutheran Church will send check for \$75.00

New Business: A) Just a reminder that Garfield changes service time to 10:15 starting May. B) Garfield needs someone to organize the Meals on Wheels volunteers for the month of July. Anyone that would like to coordinate this, talk to Pastor Bringle. C) Dave Redepenning approached about continuing to mow the lawn at the Church. Aaron Olson will visit with him. D) Rod Weber suggested the Church look into installing a Smart Thermostat that can be run on a cell phone. Aaron Olson will check into this. Todd Patzer motioned and Gene Winkels second. Motion passed. E) Garfield will make a donation to the LqP Conference for 2019. F) Food Shelf-Norma Armstrong would like to remind Garfield Church to make sure the Church gets recognition for donations given.

The next council meeting is set for Wednesday, June 5 at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned. The Benediction was said "May the Lord Bless us and keep us..."

Respectfully submitted by: Mona Buer, Council Secretary.

June	Lectors	Ushers	Acolytes	Altar & Flower Committees	Videographers
2	Lyle Hanson	Pat Wiese* Ron Enger, Paul Palmgren	Katelyn Wiese	Mary Enger, Eloise Kveene, Maralee Wiese	Dale Hatfield
9	Rosemary Weber		Jacob Bringle		Dean Stoks
16	Emily Polzine		LaRay Polzine		Andy Gritmacker
23	Mariah Schacherer		Cole Bjornson		Dale Hatfield
30	Andrew Wiese		Jayden Jimoh		Dale Hatfield

# LqP News

## CHURCH RECORDS

**WEDDING:** Congratulations to Kristen Nelson and Quintin Peterson who were married at Lac qui Parle church on Saturday, May 11! God's blessings to you on your new life together!

### LAC QUI PARLE WELCA

~Martha Circle will NOT meet the months of June, July, and August

~Lydia Circle is June 12th at 1:30 at JoAnn Roisen's

~Mission projects is June 19 at 1 p.m.

Kathy Simonson and Sue Lund attended the Women of the ELCA SW MN Synodical Convention on May 3-4th at First Lutheran Church in Marshall. The theme of the convention was Embraced by the Winds of God. 106 women attended on Friday and 146 on Saturday. The business meeting was held on Friday afternoon followed by an evening meal and entertainment. Sue went as the voting delegate from LqP Lutheran Church. Kathy helped roll bandages.

Saturday began with worship and Holy Communion. The churchwide guest was Lydia Davila from Puerto Rico. The 2 workshops that Sue attended were The Spirituality of Dreams and Journaling and Creative Writing. Following noon lunch, greetings were given by Bishop John and Pastor Jeff Greathouse from Luth. Campus Ministry at the Marshall college. Guest speaker was Cindy McKittrick from Hope Harbor in Marshall, a home for troubled teen girls. Saturday's closing worship was led by the Hallelujah Hooligans.

Mission items were loaded in a semi trailer to be hauled to LWR consisting of the in-kind offering of 2134 school kits, 941 quilts, 159 fleece blankets, 325 baby care kits, 300 personal care kits, 88 fabric kits, and \$507 to LWR shipping.

~Sue Lund

June	Lectors	Coffee	Ushers	Projector	Acolyte
2	Lynn Marotzke	Lindee Olson	Mark Roisen & Tim Stensrud	-----	Nate Gruwell
9	Tracy Dove	Rod Greseth & Linda Roder	Mark Roisen & Tim Stensrud	-----	N.A.
16	John Dove	JoAnn Roisen	Mark Roisen & Tim Stensrud	-----	N.A.
23	Allen Simonson	Jon & Sue Roisen	Mark Roisen & Tim Stensrud	-----	N.A.
30	No Church-- Riverfest	Riverfest Church Service-- No Coffee	-----	-----	N.A.

# LqP News

## LqP Lutheran Church Council Minutes

The LqP Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Members present included: Jeff Marotzke, Pastor Bruce, Sue Lund, Julie Stensrud, Tim Stensrud, John Dove, Tracy Dove, Dallas Kelly, Mark Roisen, and Lindee Olson. The meeting was called to order by President, John Dove. Pastor Bruce read devotions from Luke 12: 29 -32 and Christ In Our Home. The agenda was reviewed and approved with no additions or corrections. The April 2019 meeting minutes were read and approved.

**President's Report:** Thank you to the Hi-League for preparing and serving the Palm Sunday Breakfast and Lenten Suppers.

**Financial Report:** January thru April 2019 financial reports were reviewed and approved. Motion was made and seconded to reimburse Lindee \$300 toward the cost of her home computer that she will also be using for church treasurer duties.

**Pastor's Report:** There is a new and rather large map/post of the congregations in our SWMN Synod. A frame will be bought for it and it will be hung in the basement. No students from LqP Lutheran will be confirmed this spring. Aric Gruwell will take his First Communion on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Deacon's Report:** Nothing to report

**Trustee's Report:** The roof in the library is leaking. Will check with Rhoda regarding paper towel holders (Tim did check them out after the meeting and it looks like the paper towels were just put in wrong). Jeff will get bushes for the south side of the church.

**WELCA Report:** Sue and Kathy attended the SW MN Synod Women of the ELCA gathering at First Lutheran Church in Marshall, MN.

**Youth/Parish Ed.:** VBS will be June 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year is "Jesus Is My Superhero". The last day of Sunday school is May 12<sup>th</sup>. The kids will sing in church that Sunday.

**Unfinished Business:** A motion was made and approved to accept the Sexual Misconduct/Harassment Protocol for LqP Lutheran. We will keep a copy of this in the church office. We still need someone for Synod Assembly delegates. This is June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in Redwood Falls. Pastor Bruce will contact Rural Solutions in Madison to see if they would be willing to come out and look at his computer and the projector.

**New Business:** "Catch Up" Sunday is an idea from the SW MN Synod. We will plan to hold this during Rally Sunday in September. The church council will not meet in July 2019. There will be no coffee servers during July and August. Sue will contact Lund Photography regarding the pictures that were taken of the church. She will check on prices. We will purchase both the summer and winter pictures.

**The next meeting will be June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 8:00 p.m.**

The meeting was adjourned, and we closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Tracy Dove, Council Secretary