

Dekorra Lutheran Church

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August 2024 Newsletter

Jeremiah 29:11. For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil to give you a future and a hope.

Please remember in your prayers... Chris Henthorne and his parents Jerry and JoAnn, Nancy Salenius, Hunter Joseph (infant grandson of Harry & Peggy Benson), Judy Buchanan, Ken Schmidt, Joan Ayers, Janet Hungerford, Craig Lorimer (brother-in-law of Ellen & Mike Keller and Darryl & Sherri Knuteson); Sharon Zeimet; Judy Schultz; Joanna Hall (daughter of Mary Dibble); Angie Satter (daughter of Bill & Jill Emmons),

DLC Book Club

Discussing + Listening + Contemplating

The DLC Book Club held its annual Book Share at the May meeting. The following books were shared:

- *Echo of Old Books* - Barbara Davis
- *Olive Kitteridge* - Elizabeth Strout
- *Olive, Again* - Elizabeth Strout
- *The Little Liar* - Mitch Albom
- *The Keeper of Hidden Books* - Madeline Martin
- *The In-Between* - Hadley Vlahos, RN
- *The Measure* - Nikki Erlick
- *Where the Crawdads Sing* - Delia Owens
- *Six Minutes in Eternity: A Memoir* - Phillip Hasheider
(Local Author - Will be at Lodi Library on June 8th)
- *The Women* - Kristin Hannah
- *Brave Crossing* - Maria Alvarez Stroud
- *I Thought You Said This Would Work* - Ann Garvin

So MANY books . . . so LITTLE time!!

DLC Book Club takes a break over the summer and will resume on September 18th at 1:00 with a discussion of *Inside the O'Briens* by Lisa Genova.

September 18 - *Inside the O'Briens* by Lisa Genova

October 16 - *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards

November 20 - *The Kitchen Front* by Jennifer Ryan

December 11 - *A Redbird Christmas* by Fannie Flagg

VBS Celebrate the Saviour VBS is scheduled for August 19-23.

A light supper will be served at 5:30, with activities until 7:30.

Ages 3-5th grade are welcome, along with any middle school or high school volunteers.

Invite your friends to come with you!

Confirmation students can earn volunteer hours by helping with VBS.

We need volunteers to serve the meal each day. You can sign up for one or more days. It would be appreciated to have a meal coordinator to plan the meals and purchase the food.

Call or email Sheila Gempeler to register students or to volunteer to help with VBS.

phone 608-712-2771 or email sdgemp1949@gmail.com.

We encourage early registration so that we can obtain the materials - they often do run out of them by August.

Sunday School will resume on Sept 8. We will offer a 3-year-old class again this year along with 4K, K, and 1st -5th grades.

OWLS We are not going to have meetings in June, July, and August. We will see you again in September 😊

Blood Drive: The next Blood Drive is on August 12 at noon. Registering ahead of time is encouraged.

Walk-ins may be limited.

Cookbook: Reminding our members that we have started working with the publisher of our Cookbook. Our goal is to have our it ready to sell at our Lefse Sale this Fall! The deadline for receiving recipes is Sept. 2nd.

Share family favorites and recipes passed down from generations before. No such thing as too many!

2024 South-Central Synod of Wisconsin



Women's Ministry
Retreat

Bethany Lutheran Church
620 Broadway Ave. Wisconsin Dells

Turning the World Right Side Up



2 Corinthians 12:9—"My grace is all you need, for my power is the greatest when you are weak."

**Saturday,
October 5, 2024
8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Registration - Early Bird registration August 1 through September 10, 2024 = \$30
September 11 through October 5 registration fee = \$50

On-line Registration only - <https://scsw-elca.org/welca/>

First Time Attendees - will receive a year's subscription to the
WELCA Gather magazine <https://www.gathermagazine.org/>

Schedule for the day -

- 8:30 - 9 a.m. Registration/refreshments
- 9 - 9:45 a.m. Worship with communion and offering
Blessing of In-kind donations/gifts
- 10 - 11 a.m. Keynote speaker
- 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. lunch and conversation
- 12:30 - 1:20 p.m. Workshops (6)
- 1:30 - 2:20 p.m. Workshops (6)
- 2:35 - 3 p.m. Closure

Offering allocations

- South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Synodical Women of the ELCA (50%)
- Lutheran Campus Ministry (50%) <https://scsw-elca.org/campusministry/>
 - ◊ Madison
 - ◊ Platteville
 - ◊ Whitewater

Pennies for Poverty

- Drop off with Treasurer Sandy. It will be passed onto Second Harvest. Second Harvest will use supporting schools that have chosen a pantry model where students can choose the food they want and bring it home in whatever way works best for their family. This is a bit more flexible program than a traditional backpack program. It will also support a very cool program called Thea's Table that creates emergency food bags for families in crisis, full of food that can be prepared without kitchen access.



- **Donation Jars at Treasurer's table for** <https://www.lsswis.org/>  Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Inc.

- **Katie's Fund** <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/katiesfund> **2122**

In-Kind Donations

River Haven Homeless Shelter <https://riverhavenshelter.org/about/>



- Our wish list both on Amazon and in general is below in order of level of need:
- Amazon wish list link; <https://a.co/1Ne9bnr>
- items most needed:
paper towels - toilet paper - garbage bags - quart zip bags - gallon zip bags
- Next most needed:
dish soap - laundry soap - toilet bowl cleaner - kitchen sponges - lysol spray
- Our next need level:
deep pocket mattress protectors: twin and full size - large shower caddies - bar soap cases
toothbrush covers - shower curtain LINERS - shower curtain hooks - banker boxes
- Our next level of need:
wal-mart gift cards - aldi gift cards - kwik trip gift cards - postage stamps - copy paper
- Our next level of need:
Mops - buckets - brooms - dustpans - plastic food storage containers - batteries: AA/
AAA/9volt

2024 S-CSW WELCA Retreat Workshops

12:30 - 1:20 Workshops (6) will be repeated 1:30 - 2:20 Workshops (6)

- Title: Chair Yoga
- Title: Card making
- Title: Prayers and Prayer Shawls
- Title: Heart to Home ~ A Guide to Local Resources
- Title: Nurturing our waterways in the age of plastics
- Title: Loving Lutherans: Nurturing Mental Health in an Election Year and Beyond

Vendor Tables

Table space for vendors will be offered. Each of the individuals who will be working/helping with a vendor table must register and pay the registration fee. There is no charge for the table space. Example of vendors - UPAVIM, Equal Exchange/Fair Trade, Christian Author selling books, WELCA groups doing fundraisers.

Serving our Lord August 2024

Date	Time	Assistant Minister	Reading Minister	Communion Minister	Greeters	Sanctuary Ushers	Parking Lot Ushers	Acolytes	Video Minister
8/4	9:00 AM	Merry Seng	Ellen Keller	Judy Brownrigg	Karen & Kristine Millard	Bill & Diane Buckley	None	None	Paul Knuteson
8/11	9:00 AM	Kristine Millard	Rose Holerud	At Altar Rail	Ken & Sharon Kuypers	Bill Priske & Leroy Riedel	None	None	Jerry Carncross
8/18	9:00 AM	Barb Beyer	Sheila Gempeler	Florence Schudlach	Bev Trygstad Sharon Kampen	Darryl & Sherri Knuteson	None	None	Shelley Roelke
8/25	9:00 AM	Barb Verbitsky	Dave Kinnunen	Robin Kinnunen & Barb Verbitsky	Phil & Vicki Nugier	Buck & Karen Bender	None	None	Bill Buckley
9/1	9:00 AM	Al Bilse	Judy Brownrigg	Diane Buckley	Bill & Kathy Statz	Mike & Ellen Keller	None	None	Paul Knuteson

Cantor/Music: 8/4 Kyle Knuteson; 8/11 Merry Seng; 8/18 Barb Verbitsky; 8/25 Bill Emmons; 9/1 TBS

Stewardship: 8/4 Phil & Vicki Nugier; 8/11 Sharon Kampen & Holly Priske; 8/18 Sherri Knuteson & Sheri Birchler; 8/25 Phil & Vicki Nigier; 9/1 Sharon Kampen & Holly Priske

Please Note: If there is a schedule conflict, **PLEASE** try to find your own replacement. If you are unable to find a replacement, **THEN** give Sharon Kampen a call at 608-635-4745. PLEASE notify the church office of any change to this schedule.

Thank you for your dedication and service. Your help in ministry is very important!

Dekorra Lutheran Church - Poynette WI
Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2024

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

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YTD Balance

Account #	Account Name	YTD Balance
Assets		
Church Operating Funds		
100.001	Gen checking - Bank First	18,245.25
100.002	Money Market Savings-BOP(Restricted Asset)	69,130.09
	Total Check & Savings Assets	\$87,375.34
Organization Funds		
100.010	Dekorra Mission Endowment Fund(Restricted Asset)	95,848.42
100.090	Mitchell Scholarship Fund (Restricted)	53,755.31
115.080	Memorial Fund (Restricted Asset)	17,921.09
	Total Organization Accounts	\$167,524.82
	Total Assets	\$254,900.16
Liabilities		
200.010	Accounts Payable/Vendors	(41,064.60)
210.001	941 Taxes Payable	1,802.52
210.002	State Taxes Payable	334.19
210.003	Miscellaneous Deductions	214.42
210.005	Pastor's Portico deductions	490.44
	Total Liabilities	(\$38,223.03)
Fund Balances		
300.001	General Balance	70,768.72
300.002	Missions Balance	(7,286.26)
	General Operating Funds	\$63,482.46
320.001	Capital Improvement Balance(Restricted)	10,283.28
320.002	General Scholarship Balance(Restricted)	3,119.68
320.003	Building/Grounds Balance(Restricted)	8,426.45
320.004	Lowenhagen Scholarship Balance(Restricted)	344.80
320.005	Choir Balance(Restricted)	3,831.35
320.006	Thrivent Choice Dollars Balance(Restricted)	3,952.57
320.007	Misc. Contingency Balance(Partial Restriction)	16,123.98
332.011	Church Screens Fund Balance	1,907.29
332.013	Seminary Appeal Balance	20.42
	Money Market Funds	\$48,009.82
300.010	Dekorra Mission Endowment Fund Balance(Restricted)	95,868.42
300.040	Dekorra Men For Christ Balance(Restricted)	6,152.33
300.060	Dekorra Women of the ELCA Balance(Restricted)	2,072.27
300.070	Misssion of Hope Balance	1,688.29
300.090	Mitchell Scholarship Fund Balance	53,755.31
305.015	Youth & Family Fund Balance	4,173.20
315.001	Memorial Fund Balance(Restricted)	17,921.09
	Total Fund Balances	\$293,123.19
	Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$254,900.16

**Dekorra Lutheran Church - Poynette WI
Consolidated Fund Activity Report for June 2024**

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Account #	Account Name	Beg Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Transfers/IE's	End Balance
300.010	Dekorra Mission Endowment Fund Balance(Restricted)	95,868.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	95,868.42
300.040	Dekorra Men For Christ Balance (Restricted)	6,152.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,152.33
300.060	Dekorra Women of the ELCA Balance (Restricted)	2,400.17	172.10	500.00	0.00	2,072.27
300.070	Mission of Hope Balance	1,688.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,688.29
300.090	Mitchell Scholarship Fund Balance	53,474.61	0.00	0.00	280.70	53,755.31
305.015	Youth & Family Fund Balance	5,288.95	150.00	1,265.75	0.00	4,173.20
315.001	Memorial Fund Balance(Restricted)	16,843.46	0.00	0.00	1,077.63	17,921.09
320.001	Capital Improvement Balance(Restricted)	10,281.47	1.81	0.00	0.00	10,283.28
320.002	General Scholarship Balance(Restricted)	3,119.25	0.43	0.00	0.00	3,119.68
320.003	Building/Grounds Balance(Restricted)	8,425.38	1.07	0.00	0.00	8,426.45
320.004	Lowenhagen Scholarship Balance (Restricted)	344.73	0.07	0.00	0.00	344.80
320.005	Choir Balance(Restricted)	3,830.62	0.73	0.00	0.00	3,831.35
320.006	Thrivent Choice Dollars Balance (Restricted)	3,951.74	0.83	0.00	0.00	3,952.57
320.007	Misc. Contingency Balance(Partial Restriction)	13,121.11	3,002.87	0.00	0.00	16,123.98
332.011	Church Screens Fund Balance	1,907.06	0.23	0.00	0.00	1,907.29
332.013	Seminary Appeal Balance	20.40	0.02	0.00	0.00	20.42
	Total	\$226,717.99	\$3,330.16	\$1,765.75	\$1,358.33	\$229,640.73

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Summary of Cash Activity for 06/01/2024 thru 06/30/2024

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Asset Account: 100.001 - Gen checking - Bank First

Cash Balance as of 06/01/2024(at the beginning of the day)		\$15,289.80
Add Transactions From:		
Income	\$0.00	
Donations	\$15,267.36	
Transfers (debit)	\$1,765.75	
Journal Entries (debit)	\$0.00	
AR Collections (debit)	\$0.00	
Total Additions	<u>\$17,033.11</u>	
Subtract Transactions From:		
Payments	\$5,124.48	
Payroll	\$8,949.62	
Transfers (credit)	\$0.00	
Journal Entries (credit)	\$3.56	
Total Subtractions	<u>\$14,077.66</u>	
Cash Balance as of 06/30/2024(at the end of the day)		\$18,245.25

Dekorra Lutheran Church Dark Skies Event

(608)-635-7200

All Ages!

Sponsored
by Women
of DLC

When: August 12

**7:30 pm- bake sale, dark
sky education**

**8:30 pm- dark sky
viewing**

Donations Encouraged

All donations go towards environmental
and care of creation projects

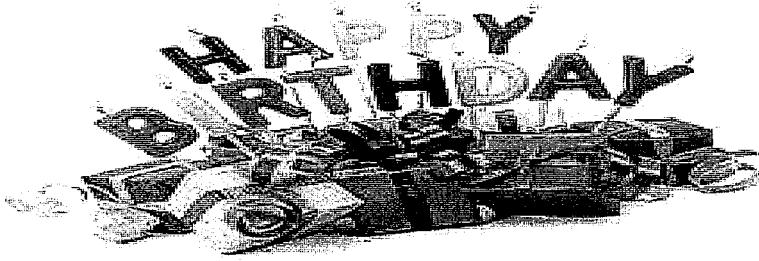
**Have a telescope?
Binoculars? Camera
and tripod? Bring
them!**

**Need a ride?
Carpooling
available!**

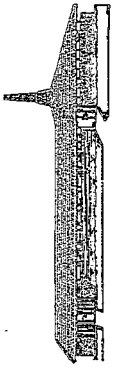
**Want to participate
from home? Pick
up a
stargazing guide
at DLC!**



**Perseids Meteor
Shower peaks
August 12th!**



Ruth Kohlmeyer	08/01
Torin Hanson	08/01
Scott Streber	08/02
Randy Reuter	08/02
Karen Millard	08/04
Janet Glimme	08/05
Bobbi Hahn	08/05
Jason Cartwright	08/06
Summer Rake	08/11
Sawyer Woodward	08/12
Amelia Priske	08/15
Dick Johnston	08/15
Ken Erdahl	08/17
Cheryl Pendleton	08/18
Dennis Kohlmeyer	08/20
Peyton Ferguson	08/21
Evelynn Ayers	08/22
Judy Schultz	08/25
Karen Bender	08/26
Karol Tomlinson	08/27
Janet Hungerford	08/28
Larry Gempeler	08/29
Ernie Koepp	08/30
Angela Strander	08/31
Hannah Hofstetter	08/31
Sheila Gempeler	08/31



August 2024

Dekorra Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9:00am Christian Ed Committee Mtg 1:00PM Quilting	2 10:00am Pastoral Office Hours 8:00PM AA	3
4 9:00am Worship & BDay Celebration	5 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	6 9:30am Hospitality Committee Mtg 6:30pm All Committee Mtg 7:30pm Council Mtg	7	8 1:00PM Quilting	9 10:00am Pastoral Office Hours	10
11 9:00am Worship	12 Office Closed <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> Noon Blood Drive 7:30pm Dark Sky Bake Sale 8:30pm Dark Sky Viewing	13 Office Closed 1:00PM Joy Circle	14	15 1:00PM Quilting	16 10:00am Pastoral Office Hours 8:00PM AA	17
18 9:00am Worship	19 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 5:30pm VBS	20 <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> 5:30pm VBS	21 9:30am Faith Bible Study 5:30pm VBS	22 1:00PM Quilting 5:30pm VBS	23 9:00am Worship Committee Mtg NO Pastoral Office Hours 8:00PM AA	24
25 9:00am Worship DLC 155th Years Celebration	26 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> <u>Newsletter Mailing</u>	27	28	29 9:00am Christian Ed Committee Mtg 1:00PM Quilting	30 10:00am Pastoral Office Hours 8:00PM AA	31

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AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

Aug 4	9:00am	Worship & BDay Celebration
Aug 6	6:30pm	All Committee Mtg followed by Council Mtg
Aug 11	9:00am	Worship
Aug 12	Noon	Blood Drive
Aug 12	7:30pm	Bake Sale & Dark Sky Viewing
Aug 18	9:00am	Worship
Aug 19-Aug 22	5:30pm	Vacation Bible School
Aug 25	9:00am	Worship & DLC 155 th Years Celebration
Aug 26		Newsletter Mailing