

"Let Love Be Your Highest Goal." 1 Cor. 14:1

March 2024

Messenger

Maynard Lutheran Church





Ultimate
Love
Coloring
Project for
ALL AGES!
Color this
picture
using any
mediums
you like
and give it
to Pastor
Amy in
exchange
for an
Easter
Surprise



MAYNARD LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:30 a.m. Worship/Noisy offering/Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship/S.S.	4	5 1:00 p.m. Sewing	6 5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper 6:30 p.m. Worship	7	8	9
10 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship/S.S.	11	12 7:00 p.m. Council	13 1:00 p.m. WELCA 5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper 6:30 p.m. Worship	14	15	16
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24 9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship/S.S. Program 10:30 a.m. Fellowship/Bake Sale	25	26	27	28 5:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Dinner Church	29 6:30 p.m. Good Friday Worship	30
31 8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Easter Worship						



Sewing Schedule

March 5th @ 1:00 p.m.

March 19th @ 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome!



LQP Conference WELCA Spring Gathering

Tuesday, April 16th at 9AM,
at Garfield Lutheran.

The program is Kim Derich
sharing her experience /
mission work in Guatemala.
All are welcome (yep, include
the men)!

Saturday, May 4, SWO
Convention at Gloria Dei.

Registration begins at 8:00
a.m. The theme this year is:
Be the Light.

The quilt truck will be back!
It will be open from 7:30
a.m. to noon.

Coffee Fellowship

March 3rd

Julie Ammermann & Becky Grimm

March 10th

Gwen Jaenisch & Amber Jaenisch

March 17th

Cathy Bristle & Marian Bloomquist

March 24th

Evie Johnson & Jody Mulder

March 31st

Easter Breakfast

April 7th

Trudi VanHeuveln & Jenny Grimm

April 14th

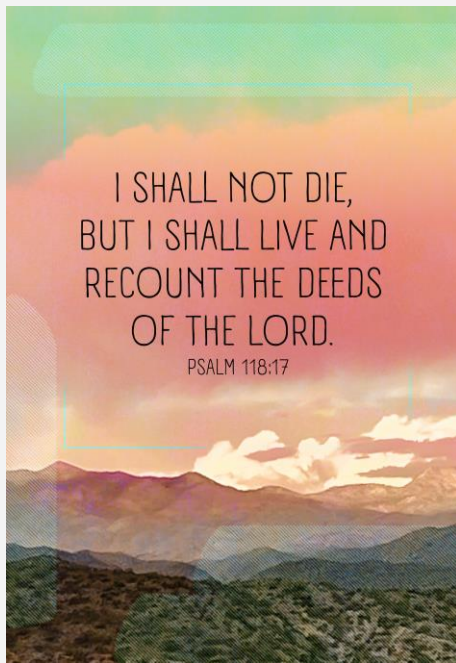
Linda Docken & Jane Franklin

April 21st

Margene Frerichs & Karen Hansen

April 28th

Dawn Gafkjen & Pam Schulz



I SHALL NOT DIE,
BUT I SHALL LIVE AND
RECOUNT THE DEEDS
OF THE LORD.

PSALM 118:17

The Maynard Women of
the ELCA will meet on
Wednesday, March 13th at 1:00
p.m. We will be having a meeting
and bible study. Marlene Bang will
be the host that day. All the
women of the congregation are
welcome to attend.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club will meet once a
month. The book for the next
month will be chosen at the
meeting. If you are interested in
joining, please contact Marian
Bloomquist.

MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Usher: Kevin Grimm & Kyle Grimm

Altar Guild: Linda Docken & Karen Hansen

Worship Team: Pam Schulz

March 2024 Sunday School

Sunday School students will be sharing a Palm Sunday Program during worship on March 24th.

Practices begin March 3rd.

PLEASE PLAN TO BE AT
SUNDAY SCHOOL EACH
SUNDAY IN MARCH IF AT
ALL POSSIBLE!

Thank you 😊

March 3

10:45 -11:30 a.m. PALM
SUNDAY PROGRAM
PRACTICE

March 10

10:45-11:30 a.m. PALM
SUNDAY PROGRAM
PRACTICE

March 17

10:45-11:30 a.m. PALM
SUNDAY PROGRAM
PRACTICE

March 24

9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship
and Program

10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday
Fellowship

(No Sunday School classes)

March 31

8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast Youth
Gathering Fundraiser

9:30 a.m. EASTER FESTIVAL
WORSHIP w/ Holy Communion

Maynard Lutheran Church

2 Ways to Give



ONLINE OFFERING is available through the church website at www.maynardlutheranchurchelca.com. Choose the "ONLINE OFFERING" tab. Click the "DONATE HERE" button. Follow the instructions to set up your online profile and donation schedule.

Any questions call the church office.

Maynard Lutheran Church Yearly Usher Schedule

MONTH	USHER	USHER
January	Dennis Schulz	Jeff Ammermann
February	LeRoy Jaenisch	Ross Jaenisch
March	Kevin Grimm	Kyle Grimm
April	Bruce Schlenner	Lonny Buss
May	Gary Johnson	Bill Beasley
June	Rick Groothuis	Steven Groothuis
July	Zach Roelofs	Daniel Roelofs
August	Chad Dobel	Cassandra Dobel
September	Tyler Degner	Tyler Knoshal
October	Harold Ellingboe	Mike Lindblom
November	Dave Bristle	Andy Bristle
December	John Bristle	Mike Bristle

****Please remember that if you are unable to usher one Sunday, it is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement.**



If you desire prayers for you or your immediate family member, please call the church office. God knows our every need, so it is not necessary to specify the problem. If anyone wants to join the calling list for the prayer chain, let us know.

Please pray... Reynold Hansen, Erv Winter, Kate Hansen, Melissa Hansen, Andy Coulter, Joan Palmer, Jim Brown, Amanda Spatafore, Karen Kleene, and Rose Marie DePew.

**Clara City
Assisted Living**

Myrna Lorentson
Don Firchau
1012 Division St N
Clara City, MN 56222

Granite Falls Health Care Center

Brad Lee
250 Jordan Dr
Granite Falls, MN 56241

Granite Ridge Senior Living

June Christiansen
500 Skyview Dr
Granite Falls, MN 56241

Luther Haven

Janis Leese
1109 E Highway 7
Montevideo, MN 56265

Edgewood Bismarck Village

Jim & Delores Brown
3124 Colorado Ln #120
Bismarck, ND 58503

Montevideo Veterans Home

Erv Winter
2190 William Ave
Montevideo, MN 56265



March 2 Dianne Goldenstein
Darwin Lindquist

March 3 Les Heen

March 7 Jackie Ast
Judy Lee

March 9 Ethan Willander

March 10 Stan Haats
Karen Kleene

March 12 Claire Molden
Camden Clemenson

March 19 Rykurt Bristle

March 21 Audrey Bang

March 26 Blake Johnson
Mike Bristle

March 27 Reynold Hansen

March 28 Jody Mulder



March 28
Reynold & Karen Hansen



Dry Goods Collection for the Blessing Box

Let's fill the shelves in the Blessing Box with all kinds of dry non-perishable foods:

Cereal, oatmeal, pastas, crackers, rice, tea, coffee, flour, sugar, granola bars, popcorn/snacks, Jello's/puddings, dry fruits, and Hamburger Helper.

Canned goods and personal hygiene products are still being collected in the bins in the Narthex.

Thank you!

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY serves the students and community surrounding Ridgewater College in Willmar. Each Tuesday and Wednesday we feed over 300 students FREE LUNCH. We also give away winter wear, household items, non-perishable foods, hygiene, and cleaning products, and much more.

If you would like more information or have items to donate, contact Pastor Amy. If you would like to donate financially, contact Pastor Amy, or try our new QR code for easy one-time or recurring donations. Thank you!



CONFIRMATION News

March 6th – 5:00 p.m. Supper Set Up
5:30 p.m. Supper
6:30 p.m. Worship

March 13th – 5:00 p.m. Supper set up
5:30 p.m. Supper Serving
6:30 p.m. Worship

March 20th – 5:00 p.m. Supper set up
5:30 p.m. Supper Serving
6:30 p.m. Worship

Palm Sunday, March 24th
9:30 a.m. Worship with Palm Sunday Program
(confirmation students expected, families encouraged!)

Maundy Thursday, March 28th
5:30 p.m. Dinner Church
(confirmation students expected, families encouraged!)

Good Friday, March 29th
6:30 p.m. Worship
(confirmation students expected, families encouraged!)

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31st
8:00 am. Easter Breakfast
9:30 a.m. Festival Worship w/Holy Communion
(confirmation students expected, families encouraged!)

ANNUAL MEETING

Maynard Lutheran Church Annual Meeting – January 28, 2024

After a member count, the acting secretary (Laurie Schlenner) announced that there was a quorum present.

President, Rick Groothuis, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Amy Juel led the members in Opening Devotions.

Minutes from the previous annual meeting were read. After confirming there were no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as read with Lonny Buss making a motion and being seconded by Pam Schulz. All in favor and the motion carried.

The following reports were presented:

Pastor's Report- Pastor Amy presented her report as a page filled with pictures of the events over the past year. Pictures included: The new Blessing Box that has been set up outside of the parish hall. Pastor Amy thanked Lonny Buss and Bruce Bloomquist for their help in the building and placing of the box. The Sunday school students have been re-filling and taking care of the box. She also reminded us to continue to donate items. Linda Dokken will be contacting the Clara City Herald to make people aware of its presence. Pictures of the three students (Rorie, Alexis, and Daniel) signed up for the National Youth Gathering to be held in July. Pictures from the Sunday School Christmas program – both congregation and students. A picture of Pastor Amy & Brother Doug ready for service to begin. A beautiful banner made and given to the church by Pastor Amy's daughter, Julianna. And a few miscellaneous pictures of students and some upcoming events for 2024. Pastor Amy thanked all who have been the "hands and feet of Jesus" in our community, and a special thanks to Holly for her role as administrative assistant.

President's Report – As printed in the Annual Report Packet. President Rick announced that we came up short for our budget and had to withdraw \$25,000 from one of our endowment funds. He expressed hope that donations and attendance would get back to a pre-covid status. Rick also thanked Pastor Amy, the church council, secretary, custodian, and all who keep our church operating.

Treasurer's Report – An annual Profit and Loss Statement was presented to the members present at the annual meeting. A question was asked what church repairs had been done during 2023. Most of the expense was continuing electrical work from 2022 that continued into 2023. The insurance expense was also brought up. President Rick commented that this number will go down as the church needed to purchase a new policy that insures the church for \$850,000 as compared to the previous coverage of \$1,500,000. Rick also pointed out the Thrivent Withdrawal of \$25,000, which consisted mostly of the interest that has been earned.

Worship Team Report – no written report was submitted. Laurie Schlenner commented that the worship team consists of herself, Pam Schulz and Brenda Johnson. The team continues to serve communion and assist Pastor Amy when needed.

Property & Maintenance Report – As printed in the Annual Report packet. Most of the repairs and maintenance were updates required by insurance. Other items included outside lighting repairs and upgrades. No projects or plans other than routine maintenance expected for the upcoming year. Parking lot snow removal will be done by the Bristle family. Pastor Amy will ask Mike Lindblom if he would be willing to do the sidewalks.

Women of the ELCA Report – As printed in the Annual Report packet. The WELCA ladies continue to support the church by serving at funerals and other community events, serving coffee for fellowship after Sunday services, providing cookies for the bank appreciation dinner and other miscellaneous chores around the church.

Other Reports: Financial Secretary's Report showed offerings for 2023 totaling \$110,974.89. Mission Action reported 59 quilts made during the year along with a list of distributions. Altar Guild presented their annual financial statement listing receipts and disbursements. Cemetery Association submitted 2023 financial statement. All details can be found in the Annual Report packet.

ELECTIONS:

Delegations to Synod Assembly - none
Delegate to Green Lake Bible Camp – Jackie Ast
Delegate to Lac Qui Parle Conference – Carol Winter
Delegates to Luther Haven – Chad & Cassandra Dobel (if available)
Thrivent Advocate – Harold Ellingboe

A motion was made and seconded to approve the elections. All in favor and the motion carried.

APPROVAL of the 2024 BUDGET – The proposed budget presented was the same as 2023 with three exceptions. Those included an increase in the pastor's salary, secretary's wages, and janitor's wages. Pastor's salary was increased by \$5,000 and wages for the secretary and janitor were increased to \$15.00 an hour. There was no discussion offered by members. A motion was made by Brenda Johnson and seconded by Zach Roelofs to approve the budget as presented. All in favor and the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business brought up for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion on having some of our younger members help with ushering. The congregation was asked to think about where they would like to donate the noisy offering for 2024. Suggestions were made to keep the donations local or possibly add it to the Pastor's discretionary fund. Members asked, with covid behind us, can we bring back the "passing the peace" during worship? All discussions and suggestions will be prayerfully considered by Pastor Amy and the church council.

ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by Brenda Johnson and seconded by Zach Roelofs to adjourn the meeting. All in favor and the motion carried.

The Lord's Prayer was led by Pastor Amy.

Submitted by Laurie Schlenner

National Youth Gathering Fundraisers This Month

Fudge Fundraiser

February 11th – March 5th

\$8.00 per half pound box ~ Payment due with order.

Delivery Sunday, March 24th



PALM SUNDAY FREE WILL OFFERING BAKE SALE!

Sunday, March 24 in the Parish Hall following Worship

Choose your favorite baked goodies and leave a free will offering!

If you would like to bring goodies to donate, please drop them off in the kitchen anytime March 17-24, clearly marked "For Bake Sale."

Thank you!

EASTER BREAKFAST hosted by students attending National Youth Gathering
Sunday, March 31 - 8am to 9:15am

Biscuits & Gravy, Egg Bake, Muffins, Fruit, Juice, and Coffee

Free Will Offering received



Lent~Holy Week~Easter 2024

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9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Festival
Worship w/Holy Communion**

**Proceeds from Freewill
offering benefit Faith
Formation Ministries**





SHARE THE DATE!

MAYNARD
Beats the Winter Blues

Rescheduled to
April 13th!

Bingo, Four Square, pick up
basketball, dominoes, board
games, card games, Arts &
Craf tables, Coloring/Adult &
Kids, Silent Auction
More fun activities for all ages!

\$10 per immediate family
Proceeds after expenses will
benefit The Greater Maynard
Community Fund

*Concessions
Available!*



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