



Parish The Thought

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BALTIC AND EAST NIDAROS LUTHERAN PARISH

Two Churches - One Parish - Centered on the Cross



UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 5 8:30-12:00 Quilting at East Nidaros
- June 6 8:30-12:00 Quilting at East Nidaros
8:30-3:00 Foot Care Clinic
- June 9 10:00 Baltic Bring and Share Brunch Fellowship
- June 9-14 Confirmation Camp at Shetek
- June 12 East Council Meeting
- June 15 4:00 PQ 's Ordination at West Nidaros
- June 16 Installation of Pastor Randall at both churches
11:30 Cake & Ice Cream Installation Celebration
at East Nidaros
Happy Father's Day!
- June 20 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- June 27 9:00 Bulletin & Newsletter Assembly





June Pulpit Post

“Called and Ordained”

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of who they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Romans 10:13-15

Since I began serving you in January 2016, I have not said the words, “As a called and ordained minister of Christ” to you. SO much has happened in the past 3 ½ years and I am grateful to this parish for SO much.

As I am writing this post, the first part of “called and ordained” is nearly in place. Each congregation of this parish has voted to “call” me to be your pastor. The Kairos program has certainly given you an opportunity to know who you are calling. I am thankful for my Kairos and Internship mentor team for the time spent and encouragement given to me during this time.

In June, the second part, **and ordained** will be completed. I hope many of you will be able to attend my ordination on June 15th at West Nidaros Lutheran church at 4:00 PM. This event is a culmination of class work, essays and interviews with the candidacy committees, chaplaincy training, internship, satisfying graduation requirements and receiving a call from a church. The main purpose of ordination is so that you do not receive “a wandering prophet” to preach from your pulpit. A wandering prophet speaks his own word rather than the word of God. I am extremely appreciative of the teaching that I have received so that you will hear God words of law and gospel in every sermon.

The final step of becoming fully “called and ordained” will happen on Sunday, June 16th when I will be installed at Baltic Lutheran and at East Nidaros by bishop David Zellmer. As I look back, I am thankful for the Baltic/East Nidaros parish where God has placed me to learn and to serve these past 3 ½ years. As I look forward, I am thankful that God and you have decided to allow me to continue serving you as a “called and ordained” minister. It is my joy to bring you the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Parish Nurse & Health Board

HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

Crutches, Bed Rails, Commodes, Walkers, Cane,
Urinal, Boot, Shower Stool, Depends,
Toilet Riser, Wrist Brace



Remember if you are in need of Home Medical
Equipment to contact Marjell or the church office.

MARJELL'S OFFICE HOURS are Thursdays from 9am –3 pm,
but she will not always be available at the church due to home
visits. She can be reached at her home telephone or by leaving a
message at her home.

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED.....

Please remember due to federal regulations, hospitals cannot
inform the church of your admission without you giving them your
permission. Likewise the Pastor and Parish Nurse cannot call or
visit you if you are sick without your permission. If you would like a
visit please notify the church office at 529-5471 or
e-mail nidaros@alliancecom.net.

Health Board Meeting Highlights:

- Prayer Shawls
- Foot Care



June Faith Community Nursing

With June, summer is officially here and I think everyone is ready for the warmer days of summer as we enjoy the beautiful creation God has made for us.

As briefly mentioned in the May Newsletter article, our Spring Luncheon this year was again a huge success despite the rutty, gravel road getting to East. The food was great and all present enjoyed the interaction of Trudy's presentation on Beauty in Pieces. Once again, the men of the Health Board did a fabulous job of washing dishes and cleaning the kitchen. It was so much appreciated and guests being impressed with their help.

A recent Sanford Nurses meeting brought forth the topic of Staying Safe in Church. This was brought forward due to all the national events that have taken place with shooting. Some of the considerations due to new level of violence require new priorities for safety. This would also include tornados, fire, utility disruption, hazardous materials, loss of power, heat and water, as well as the use of the facility. Should we have surveillance cameras? Where would we meet if something did happen? Are the church records in secure files, computer back-ups, contracts, agreements, insurance options protected, is the church's hard security protecting? A Safety and Security Team can be developed to include leaders, retired and active law enforcement, health professionals and military. Each church can develop a plan of their own to include procedures, education and support. The Council, ushers, SS teachers, greeters would all do a mandatory staff training. This is likely to be continuing conversations for all churches to have. The one church in Lennox is locking their doors after worship begins. Is this a starting point for Baltic and East Nidaros?

June is also Cataract awareness month. This has been declared to educate the public on risk factors, symptoms and treatment options. In the US more than 25 million Americans have a cataract, a condition in which the lens of the eye becomes progressively opaque, resulting in impaired vision. This progressively reduces the sharpness of vision and can cause a yellowish-brown tint to be applied to the field of vision. This can impact color identification, making it more difficult to read and perform other routine activities. Several possible risk factors for cataracts are: aging, intense or long-term exposure to UV rays from the sun, certain diseases such as diabetes, hereditary, long-term steroid use, eye injuries, or diseases or smoking. In many cases, cataract surgery is recommended by an eye doctor. Cataract removal is one of the most common operations performed in the US. In about 90% of cases, people who have cataract surgery have improved vision afterward. Most cataract surgery is covered by Medicare and health insurance, but it is important that every patient discuss with their health care provider before proceeding.

With summer now here, use this time to enjoy the outdoors with the activities you enjoy.

Blessings,

Marjell Wendland, RN, FCN



Thank You

I want to say thanks to everyone that took time to come and help clean the church on May 3 and 4. Everything looks wonderful.

Special thanks to Karen Sinding for being available both days to make sure the important things got done. Ann Romsdahl

East Nidaros—Thank you for providing New Hope for a Better Life! On behalf of everyone at McCrossan Boys Ranch, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your contribution to our General Fund. Thanks to the help of generous people such as yourself, we can continue to provide New Hope for a Better Life for our boys. Your donation will help support the many counseling, education and recreation programs we have at McCrossan's for at-risk youth. Your decision to support McCrossan 'boys Ranch and make a difference in the lives of many young men is greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Christy Menning, CFRE Director of Development

News From The Pews



June Bring and Share

Bring your favorite food to share and enjoy some fellowship and good eats after services on June 9th.

Just a reminder the main doors will be locked during office hours. Please use West door. Thanks

ORDINATION OF VICAR RANDALL JUNE 15TH

4:00 at West Nidaros Lutheran Church



INSTALLATION CELEBRATION JUNE 16TH

Pastor Randall Questad will be installed by Bishop Zellmer at both Baltic Lutheran and East Nidaros during worship. Cake and Ice Cream provided jointly by the church councils will be served at East Nidaros following their worship. (About 11:30) Please join as we celebrate!

DENTAL CARE FOR YOUR KIDS!

LOCATION: First Lutheran Church
327 S Dakota Ave Sioux Falls

DATES: June 17-21, 2019



Care is provided to children from their 1st tooth seen an area dentist in two years. There is no cost to the child or family. No insurance is needed. For more information and registration.

Contact: First Lutheran Information Desk 605-366-3734

The mobile program is brought to our community by Delta Dental.

RENNER LUTHERAN ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, June 23 4:00-7:00 pm

Renner Lutheran Church 47474 258th St Renner



East Nidaros June Fellowship Coffee and Treats

June 2

Jean Hammer 359-0728
Rosalie Riswold-Brende 376-0452
Wayne & JoAnn Albers 594-6423

June 9 and June 16

Brady & Alyssa Welk 254-3215
Elizabeth Rogers 321-2202
David & Darla Singsaas 274-1599

June 23 and June 30

Scott & Susan Hookie 321-3798
David & Connie Karl 608-386-8139
Brent & Tiffany Wilson 360-5873



East Nidaros has SCRIP cards available for *Hy-Vee, County Fair and WalMart*. These are non-reloadable gift cards that provide up to **5% back to East Nidaros**. Your purchase of the gift cards is *not tax-deductible*, but does have a direct benefit for the church. **Contact: Kathy Hegge 366-4116**



When you shop Amazon, shop Amazon Smile and support East Nidaros!

Amazon smile is a simple and automatic way to support East Nidaros every time you shop.

Simply go to smile.amazon.com and sign into your account the same as you do at Amazon.com. Eligible products will be marked “Eligible for AmazonSmile donation”. Each time you do this, AmazonSmile donates 0.5% of your purchase price to East Nidaros.

Dad,
Thanks for the love you have shown,
The words of encouragement
I have know,
Thanks for showing that you care,
That you are always willing to share.

Thanks for knowing just what to say;
When things were not going my way,
Thanks for being there for me,
We both know you didn't have to be.

May God bless and keep you
This Father's Day and always.



The righteous man
walks in his integrity;
His children are
blessed after him.
Proverbs 20:7



Ark Encounter & Creation Museum Tour September 2nd – September 7th

With assistance from R & K Tours, we are planning a bus tour leaving September 2, 2019 visiting a replica of Noah's Ark in Kentucky. It is built according to the dimensions given in the Bible and has jaw-dropping exhibits inside the Ark showing what it may have been like for the people and animals. We will spend a day at the Ark, another day at the Creation Museum; enjoy an evening dinner cruise on the river as well as stopping at a Neon Sign Museum to see a demonstration on neon making. There will be many other stops along the way. **Included in this package are entries to listed exhibits, hotels for 5 nights, 5 breakfasts and 4 evening dinners with tour guides on board the motor coach.** The tour will be 6 days, returning on September 7th and is **limited to 40 people**. It is open to anyone. Get your registration and deposit in as soon as you are able to not miss out on this great trip. Call **John or Karen Sinding (605-529-5949)** for information. They or the church office can send you a flyer and registration form.

Many hands are needed to help make VBS a success. One of these being the VBS Coordinator. Other ways of helping is signing campers in and out, serving lunch end of day clean up to name a few. If you are interested in lending a hand volunteering a day or the whole week let Kathy Hegge or Sam in the office know.



Items can be dropped off at the Baltic school in the red box in the commons or in the tote labeled Food Pantry in the church narthex.

FOOD BANK ITEMS NEEDED



**NO OPENED,
PARTIALLY USED OR
OUTDATED ITEMS
PLEASE**

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| • Juice | • Popcorn | • Ketchup |
| • Coffee | • Spaghetti Sauce | • Mustard |
| • Canned Fruits | • Peanut Butter | • Salad Dressings |
| • Ramen | • Pizza Sauce | • Salt & Pepper |
| • Boxed Noodles | • Jelly | • Spices |
| • Mac n Cheese | • Sugar Free Jelly | • Cake/Cookie Mixes |
| • Hamburger Helper | • Flour | • Vegetable Oil |
| • Laundry Soap | • Jello | • Hand Soaps |
| • Baking Needs | • Sugar Free Jello | • Razors |
| • Crackers | • Pudding | • Shampoo |
| • Paper Products | • Sugar Free Pudding | • Conditioner |
| • Soups | • Tuna | • Body Wash |
| • Oil | • Oatmeal | • Toothpaste |
| • Pudding Cups | • Cereal | • Toothbrushes |
| • Snack Crackers | • Breakfast Bars | • Boxed Potatoes |

Ready for some fun competition?

As you may know we collect pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, so why not see how many we can collect over the summer! Start saving and bring them to Baltic Lutheran on Rally Sunday (Sept 8th) in zip lock baggies and we will weigh them and see who has collected the most!



How does pop tabs help the Ronald McDonald House? RMH takes the tabs to our local recycling center. Every year, more than \$10,000 is raised from this program. Although the whole aluminum can is valuable, the tab is cleaner and smaller, making it easier to collect in large quantities than whole cans. The tab of a standard soda can is made of high quality, high-grade aluminum. By itself, it doesn't mean much, but when you pull together, pop-tabs add up and become a valuable donation.

What does the Ronald McDonald House do? Many families travel far from home to get treatment for their seriously ill or injured child. Often, it can be a long time to be away from home, or to divide a family. And for children facing a serious medical crisis, nothing seems scarier than not having their mom and dad close by.

Our Ronald McDonald House program provides a home away from home for families so they can stay close by their hospitalized child at little or no cost. Our Houses are built on the simple idea that nothing else should matter when a family is focused on healing their child – not where they can afford to stay, where they will get their next meal or where they will lay their head at night to rest.

Fun Facts

- Approximately one million pull tabs = 800 pounds
- Approximately 1,430 pull tabs = one pound
- Approximately 63,360 pull tabs = 1 mile

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QUILT AUCTION



S H E T E K
LUTHERAN MINISTRIES



SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019
10:30 A.M.

SLM ACTIVITY CENTER

Located 8 miles north of Slayton on Hwy. 59
then 2 miles east on Valhalla Road

Quilt Preview

Friday, June 21 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 22 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.
*Check out the 2018 Quilts &
Quilt Items on www.shetek.org*

- **FRIDAY PICNIC -**
BRATS & BURGERS 5:30-7:30 P.M.
PONTOON RIDES 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.
- **Pulled Pork Dinner 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
- **Ice Cream Sundae Bar**
- **Kids Day at Camp 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**
*Try out some of our favorite camp activities at no cost -
swimming, games, arts & crafts, camp animals & camp songs.*
- **Hand-Quilted & Machine-Quilted Quilts**

For more information call (507) 763-3567

Auctioneers: Donna Gravely, Windom, MN
& Dave Bosacker, Tracy, MN

Visa & Mastercard accepted. Support provided by Thrivent Financial.

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS SUMMER CAMP MINISTRY

Theme Baskets

Bid for them on the Silent Auction!



Join us for the 5K Pelican Fun Walk/Run Fundraiser

Saturday, June 22
8:00 a.m.

\$15/person, \$25/family
Register online at shetek.org
or call SLM at (507) 763-3567
ask for Kathy Peterson.
Please register by June 7

**PRIZE FOR THE PERSON
WHO DROVE THE
FARTHEST DISTANCE!**

UNABLE TO ATTEND?

NO WORRIES! Call or email a bid in ahead of time. (507) 763-3567 or email kathy@shetek.org.
Members of our quilt committee will bid for you on the day of the auction. Bids must be in by
June 20, 2019. Check out our 2019 quilts on www.shetek.org

Chapel in the Hills



Completed in Rapid City, SD in 1969, the Chapel in the Hills is an exact replica of the famous 800-year-old Borgund Stavkirke in Norway. Now in its 50th year, this special ministry of the ELCA continues to serve as a peaceful place of worship and contemplation for visitors to the Black Hills. The Chapel also helps to preserve the rich culture and traditions of our Scandinavian heritage. A log cabin museum, prayer/meditation walk, and grass-roofed "stabbur" visitor center provide

guests with a truly unique experience.

As we enter our 50th year, for the first time we are asking for your help to support our mission financially. All monies raised will be applied directly to funding the ministry and ongoing



preservation of the Chapel. Donations of any size are welcome. In addition, anyone who contributes a minimum of \$100 during a calendar year will receive an invitation to our annual membership meeting and free dinner, a subscription to our semi-annual Chapel e-mail newsletter, and



thank you gifts.

You may fill out the form on the back of this insert or donate electronically through our website at www.chapel-in-the-hills.org. Click on the "Membership" tab. Thrivent Financial members may also direct their Choice Dollars® to the Chapel. Ask your Thrivent representative for assistance, if needed.



Your gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated.

Thank You!



Joint Council Minutes

May 13, 2019

(Submitted for publication without approval)

Present: Jennifer Hartman, Mary Lee Lohnes, Kathy Hegge, Corynne Tevedal, Karen Sinding, Myron Nohava, Al Van Eck, Alana Tommeraasen, Connie Karl, Joe Beem, Lori Berg, Dick Berg, John Sinding, J Ryan Serus, Mark Brobjorg, Jimmy Vollan, Craig Krogstad, David Daugaard, Alvina Harvey, Ron Krogstad, Pastor Randall Questad

Ron Krogstad called the Joint Council meeting to order. And Pastor Randall Questad lead the council in prayer, specifically for leadership of our churches and for the family of Ryan Larson.

Minutes from the February Joint Council meeting were emailed prior to the meeting. No additions or changes needed to the minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Craig Krogstad and seconded by Al Van Eck. Motion passed.

Pastor's Update: Graduation for Pastor Randall will be this coming Saturday with is ordination service scheduled for June 15th. Pastor Randall updated us on the Confirmation program. The program is going very well and it is encouraging to see the kids going through the program grow so much. He is going to start a 6th grade Pre-Confirmation program to bridge the gap between Sunday school and confirmation. He is planning on having 4-6 meetings between the end of 5th grade and the beginning of 7th grade Confirmation. Pastor Randall also reports that the new organist is doing very well and a great addition to our church.

Safety Update by Marjell Wendland, Parish Nurse: The Parish Nursing program has recently sent Nurses through a Safety training session. The program wants to make everyone aware of what needs to be done to keep our parishioners safe during times of worship and meetings. Marjell suggests that each congregation put together a safety team to address issues that could make it easier for someone meaning to do harm, such as potentially locking the doors during services or stationing ushers in different locations so that we are aware of who is coming into the church during services.

Each council will take to their various meetings and discuss this further. Thank you Marjell for the update and for keeping us safe.

VBS: Kathy gave an update on VBS. We currently are looking for someone to be a coordinator or a couple of people to help coordinate the days while we have VBS. This person would help keep the flow of people going through the day. The sign up is being finalized and should be ready soon. They are also looking to put together a “job description” of the coordinator, teachers, helpers. Also putting together a best practices in case of adverse events such as tornado and fires.

Summer Worship Schedule: Our joint worship will be August 4th in the Park. Myron to make sure the park is reserved for us. East Nidaros is responsible for meat options for food. Pastor Randall is planning to be gone June 23rd and 30th. The Hooligans are planning to cover the 30th services for both churches. We still need someone for the 23rd. There will be no Bible study during the month of June, but will pick back up in July. We will also have 2 worship services at each church in July and August.

New business: Sam had sent out an email regarding someone who needed help with home health drivers. If anyone can help, they are to contact Sam in the church office or the contact information in the email. Al brought up ideas about keeping the youth involved in the church after confirmation. He has many great ideas and both churches will support him in getting the youth more involved, such as camp fires or movie nights. Thank you Al for your passion in keeping our Youth involved in our congregations!

Next Joint Meeting will be August 12th at 7pm at Baltic Church.

Regular councils will meet prior to the Joint meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Connie Karl and seconded by Alanna Tommeraasen.

Submitted by Jennifer Hartman, East Nidaros Secretary.





Baltic Lutheran Council Minutes

April 8, 2019

The monthly meeting of the Baltic Lutheran Church Council was held at the church on Monday evening, April 8, 2019. President Karen Sinding called the meeting to order.

Council members present were: Karen Sinding, John Sinding, Alana Tommeraasen, Kari Radack, J. Serna, Pastor Randall Questad, Dick Berg, Myron Nohava, Joe Beem, Allen VanEck and Lori Berg.

March minutes were E-mailed. Correction to the minutes: *Council approved the use of the church by girls meeting as Boy Scouts*. Motion to approve minutes as corrected by Myron and second by John. Motion carried

Financial Report

Kari and Alana presented the financial reports.

Joe moved to accept the financial report, second by Dick. Motion carried.

Trustees Report

New Quick Books program is still a work in progress but getting close to finish. Left options for various categories up to Kari.

Motion by Myron to set a new deadline of June 1, 2019 for Quick Books to be up and running, second by J. Motion carried.

Furnace repairs have been completed by Waterbury.

Hand Sanitizers have been installed. The council would like to thank Jim Wendland for installing the hand sanitizers.

One quote in the amount of \$11,375 was received from Asphalt Pros to prepare the surface and pave the 35x100 gravel portion of the parking lot. Repair and overlay of the existing parking lot was quoted at an additional \$24,000. They will attempt to get additional quotes and also check with the City of Baltic to see if they have any street plans that we may be able to coordinate with for possible savings.

Thornton Carpet checked the split in the carpet. They suggested a flat metal threshold bar to cover it. Motion by Myron to go ahead with the repair, second by Al. Motion carried.

Joe will purchase a thumb drive for backing up the Quick Books.

Deacon's report

Dick will serve communion in April and Al will serve in May.

Dick and John are making visitation calls

Old Business

John will write a stewardship article for the May newsletter.

Craft fair booth went ok. Sold a few cookbooks, an anniversary book and gave out a few flyers.

We have \$35 in gas cards that expire in September. Motion by J. to give them to the Joseph Cords family, second by Al. Motion carried.

Meals on Wheels is on hold for now.

New Business

Reservations have started coming in for the Ark Trip in September. They will open up the registration to other churches approx. May 1.

Motion by Myron and second by John to call Randall Questad to be our next pastor. Motion carried.

A special congregational meeting will be held on May 19th for congregational approval to call Randall Questad as our next pastor.

June 15th ordination is at West Nidaros. June 16th installation at both churches.

Motion by Dick and second by Myron to pay the balance of the summer campers fees for going to Shetek after deducting what the WELCA group donates towards camp. Motion carried.

Al plans to hold campfires with the Jr and Sr high youth on Saturdays from 5:00-8:30 in the evening.

Motion by Kari and second by J. to approve the Cords family use of the church and Pastors service for a funeral with no fees charged.

Motion carried.

Pastor Report

Lenten services are going well.

Holy Week has all been planned.

He appreciates the help from the deacons for visitations.

He met with the Cords family.

Confirmation and senior recognition are on May 5th.

He explained his process for finishing his studies.

April 24th is the Appreciation supper for confirmation students and seniors.

Sunday school awards at May 12th.

Baccalaureate is the Wednesday before graduation.

The next meeting is, Monday, May 13, 2019 at 6:00 pm at East Nidaros with joint meeting to follow at 7:00.

Motion to adjourn by Myron and second by John. Motion carried.

Pastor Randall closed the meeting with a prayer.

Lori Berg
Secretary

BALTIC GENERAL FUND 2019				
Month	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Year to Date Income	Year to Date Expenses
Jan	\$10,387.16	\$9,779.91	\$10,387.16	\$9,779.91
Feb	\$5,993.00	\$9,025.66	\$16,380.16	\$18,805.57
March	\$10,749.51	\$9,078.70	\$27,129.67	\$27,884.27
April	\$11,054.65	\$9,762.52	\$38,184.32	\$37,646.79
May	\$8,529.65	\$6,911.67	\$46,713.97	\$44,558.46

May is as of May 27 , 2019

BUILDING FUND	
Jan	\$375.00
Feb	\$235.00
March	\$320.00
April	\$103.84
May	\$195.00
YTD	\$1,228.84

BALTIC NOISY CAN
April: St. Dysmas \$218.35
May: Adams Thermal \$152.40



BALTIC WELCA NEWS

April 28, 2019

The Baltic WELCA met in the sanctuary after church on Sunday morning, April 28th to prepare for the community rummage and bake sale on May 17th and 18th. We also are planning a church cleaning on Friday and Saturday, May 3rd and 4th.

First of all, we will begin cleaning on Friday at 9:00am and continue to finish up on Saturday at 9:00 am. We will only go for a half day or so, so the women will have the rest of the day for themselves. We would appreciate all the help we can get and could certainly use some men to help with heavier work. Holly did a fine job and left things in very good shape when she left, but there are some areas where we need someone to lift and climb.

For the bake sale and lunch counter, we will plan on 50lbs of hamburger for BBQ; and on box of hot dogs, as well as water, soda and chips. We would like our WELCA members (this includes all confirmed women members of our church) to furnish pans of bars to be sold individually, as well as with the meal. Advertising for our lunch counter will be on the rummage list to be posted locally and handed to customers. Lynda Johnson, Joann Moan, and Bonnie Johnson will come in on Thursday to prepare the BBQ. The last time we did this it was a big success, so let's all pitch in and do our best to make it happen again.

Ruth Lee, Secretary

Sunday, May 12, a short meeting was held in the dining room. It was decided to plan on 20lbs of hamburger. Also, some pricing will be done for any items that brought in on Thursday.



East Nidaros Council Minutes

Rescheduled from Wed 4/10/2019 to Tue 4/16/2019

The meeting of the East Nidaros Council was called to order at 7:40 pm by Vice-President Connie Karl after President Ron Krogstad notified us that he would be late. Members present included: Connie Karl, Kathy Hegge, Jimmie Vollan, Pastor Randall QuestaOd, David Daugaard, Tom Siemonsma, Craig Krogstad, Alvina Harvey with Ron arriving around 7:50pm. Connie asked Pastor Randall to open the meeting with a prayer. The secretary had emailed the minutes from the previous meeting to all members; Craig made a motion to accept the report; MSC. Financial reports were also emailed to members; Connie made a motion to accept the reports; MSC. Jimmie reported that he is doing home visits and that they are an important part of the Deacons' work.

Pastor Randall reported that the Holy Week schedule is set up with Maundy Thursday Service at Baltic, Good Friday and Easter Sunrise Service will be at East Nidaros.

Confirmation/Graduation Recognition will be on May 7th. He is also planning to host a Recognition Supper for Confirmation and Graduating Students and their families April 24th at East Nidaros. He is also holding a meeting on May 1st with Confirmation students to plan the year.

Pastor Randall was happy to report that there are several students signed up for Shetek Camp (2 from East, 1 or 2 from Baltic and a friend). The cost of the camp is \$420/student. East Nidaros supports each student with \$150; additionally, WELCA provides \$50/student. That leaves \$220 for the students to pay (they have already paid the \$75 deposit). Kathy made a motion to increase the East Nidaros portion by an additional \$100 this year; MSC.

April 26th is the date of Pastor Randalls' approval interview; the final big step before Graduation, Ordination and Installation.

In the Trustee Report, it was noted that our flag pole was damaged in the recent storm. Kathy will take it to Maximum Promotions to see if it can be repaired. We are also in need of a new flag. The toilet in the main level womens' restroom has been replaced. Thank you to Scott Rick and Tom Siemonsma for taking care of this! We also discussed removing the gender signs on the bathroom doors and making them both unisex; motion by Kathy to change the signs; MSC. David will contact Monte Koopman to repair/replace the A/C unit in the Church.

We will be making and delivering cookies/bars to Hefty Seed Company employees on May 1st as a token of our appreciation for their snow removal work! We will need about 10 dozen cookies/bars. If you would like to contribute 1 or 2 dozen, please contact Kathy Hegge.

We have been blessed with an anonymous donation of \$10,560; the Council has decided to start a funding project to pave part or all of the parking area around the Church. This donation will be directed to that project. Ron will get some bids for concrete, with the hope that we can do a lot of the work ourselves. Anyone interested in supporting this project may direct donations labeled "Parking Lot Project".

Alvina made a motion to have the June Noisy Can go to the fund for the kids attending the Shetek Confirmation Camp. Kathy made a motion to direct the July Noisy Can to VBS. Both motions were seconded and carried.

We received word that Holly will be resigning, effective after Easter Services. She has a new job and is moving to Washington. Sam will be in contact with the organists that have been available as fill-ins to see if any are interested in the full-time position. Sam will also put a notice in the newsletter/bulletin to find a replacement for the custodial position(s). If these aren't successful in filling the openings, we will then reach outside our congregation. We wish Holly (and Gary) all the best!

At this point, Pastor Randall was thanked and excused from the rest of the meeting.

The motion to call Pastor Randall Questad was made by Craig, seconded and unanimously approved. The Congregational Meeting to vote on the Letter of Call will be held on Sunday, May 19th. There was a short discussion regarding Graduation/Ordination gifts for Pastor Randall; we will do some research on ideas and discuss further at a later date.

The next Council Meeting will be at 6:00 pm on Monday, May 13th with Joint Council at 7:00 pm. Having no further business to discuss, Jimmie made a motion at 9:40 pm to adjourn; MSC.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Hegge (in Jenni's absence)

Month	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Year to Date Income	Year to Date Expenses
Jan	\$ 7,214.11	\$ 5,038.86	\$ 7,214.11	\$ 5,038.86
Feb	\$ 4,803.85	\$ 7,378.03	\$ 12,017.96	\$ 12,416.89
Mar	\$ 8,116.64	\$ 5,608.11	\$ 20,134.60	\$ 18,025.00
Apr	\$ 17,780.05	\$ 5,880.54	\$ 37,914.65	\$ 23,905.54
May*	\$ 7,253.78	\$ 9,514.09	\$ 45,168.43	\$ 33,419.63

*As of May 22, 2019.

AUTO PAY TO THE CHURCH

Just a reminder we do have an auto pay option you can set up through your bank. We all know how busy summer can be with family events and vacations. With autopay you don't have to worry about your offering. You can make payments from your bank account to the church's account or have your bank send the payment directly to the church. It will be put into whatever fund you have designated, ie: general fund; building fund or another fund. You can designate how much and the frequency. If you have any questions, please call me at any time.

Thank you, Karen Sinding, President – 529-5949



MAY PARISH RECORD CHANGES

BALTIC

New Members:

Kurt Tommeraasen

Transfers Out:

No Changes

Baptisms:

No Changes

Weddings:

No Changes

Deaths:

Shirley Goehrs

Orlando Erickson

EAST

New Members:

No Changes

Transfers Out:

No Changes

Baptisms:

No Changes

Weddings:

No Changes

Deaths:

No Changes

JUNE CALLED TO SERVE

BALTIC

Ushers: June 2,9 & 23- Ed & Marlene Mellegaard
June 16th—Open
June 30th—Myron Nohava & Steve Gunderson

Altar Committee: June 2 Dixie Fiala
June 9, 16, 23 & 30

Deacon: Myron Nohava

Fellowship: Group 2

**EAST
NIDAROS**

Ushers: Kathy Hegge & Colleen Nielsen

Altar Committee: Becky Simeonsma

MEMORIALS & Gifts in Memory of.....

- **Agnes Berge:** Baltic Lutheran Church \$10.00
- **Dan Bruns:** Baltic Lutheran Church \$20.00
- **Floyd Hanson:** Baltic Parking Lot Fund \$50.00
- **Ron Hefty:** East Nidaros Church \$620.00
East Nidaros Cemetery Fund \$100.00
Baltic Lutheran Church \$125.00
- **Ryan Larson:** Baltic Church Tech Fund \$20.00
Baltic Lutheran Church \$20.00
Baltic Building Fund \$35.00
Baltic Parking Lot Fund \$10.00

JUNE NOISY CAN

Baltic: Parking Lot Fund

East Nidaros: Our Shetek Campers

Parish the Thought

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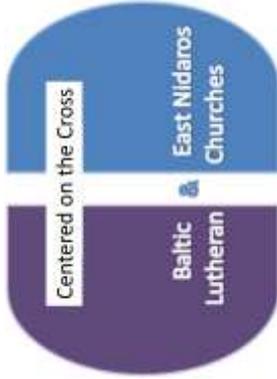
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