



June 2022

Pastors/Elders Echoes

*Pr Robert Stevens has accepted our Call to be our fulltime Pastor. He will be installed on the Day of Pentecost, 5 June. During our transition, **this column has served as both a message from the Transition Pastor and a message from the Elders.** This will be Transition Pastor Bachman's last first-page message for Mt Calvary's Newsletter.*

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!



As the Season of Easter comes to an End, we celebrate **the Day of Pentecost**. In Acts, Chapter 2, we hear **Peter's witness to Jesus** on the first Christian Pentecost.

*"And Peter said to them, '**Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.**' And with many other words **he bore witness**' (vv. 38-40).*

That first Pentecost marked **the birth of the Christian Church and Christian Congregations**. For **2,000 years** people around the globe have **witnessed to Jesus** just as St Peter did on that first Pentecost.

We are **Baptized**. We **repent** our sins. We are **forgiven**. We receive **the gift of God's Holy Spirit**. God's promise truly is **for us and our children and for all** whom the Lord our God calls to Himself.

How wonderful for Mt. Calvary Congregation that, on **the day all Christian Congregations celebrate** their gifts, **we celebrate God's gift of a new Pastor**, a man of God to guide us in **our ongoing witness to our Lord Jesus Christ**.

Pr Robert Stevens will preach his first sermon for us at regular 9 am Worship on the Day of Pentecost, 5 June. Then, at 3 pm that same day, **Pastors and People from LCMS Congregations round about will join us for our festival service of Installation of Pr Stevens**. Festival Worship at 3 pm will be followed by a reception and meal.

And then, after the Day of Pentecost, **we will rejoice in the quiet and regular times** of the second half of the Church Year. We pray that **our regular Mission of Witness to Jesus will proceed with new vigor**.

The Elders are always ready to receive input from the Members. The current Elders are Head Elder **Jerry Henderson, Craig Conley, Jim Bachman, Mike Van Brunt, and Jim Paddock**.

Cordially, in Christ, Jim Bachman, Elder and Pastor

Those Who Serve for June

Elders:

June 05 - Craig Conley

June 19 - Jim Paddock

Readers:

June 05 – Craig Conley

June 12 – Jerry Henderson

June 19 – Jim Paddock

June 26 – Mike Van Brunt

Ushers:

Jim Baranovic and Jerry Henderson

Greeters:

Char de Kehoe and Vicki Bien



SOS Organist: - June 19– Leslie Conley



Information and Announcements

Elders' Meeting: Tuesday, June 14, at 7:00 p.m.

Council Meeting: Thursday, June 16, at 6:00 p.m.

Installation of Rev. Robert Stevens – Mt. Calvary Estes Park: We rejoice that Rev. Robert Stevens has accepted the Divine Call to serve as pastor of Mt Calvary Lutheran Church in Estes Park. Members from our circuit congregations are invited to attend the installation service on Sunday, June 5, at 3pm. Mt. Calvary is located at 950 N St. Vrain Ave, Estes Park, Colorado 80517. A reception and meal will follow the service.

Mt. Calvary's New Seminary Paul Hammes is at the Concordia Seminary in Saint Louis.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND – ADOPT A SEMINARIAN: The scholarship fund has been depleted with our giving to adopt a seminarian program. In the voters meeting we voted to continue with this program, so we need to fund it.

If you would like to donate to the scholarship fund to build up our funds please place your check in an envelope stating for the Scholarship Fund. The funds will help us send a check to the seminarian for \$200 a month (paid quarterly). We will not have a special door offering.

We have supported adopt a seminarian program for many years. Our latest Seminarian, Benjamin Vanderhyde just graduated from the seminary. The voters decided to continue supporting the program and selected Paul Hammes, from Mount Olive in Loveland, as our next seminarian. Paul is a 2nd year student at Concordia Seminary Saint Louis and his home church, Mount Olive, is within our circuit.

The scholarship fund is also available for sending a youth to a convention or similar gatherings.



Spring Cleaning at Mt. Calvary: Has been rescheduled for Monday, June 6, through Saturday, June 11. Additional days will be added if needed. The list of jobs includes indoor and outdoor work such as washing windows, cleaning pews, and edging by the sidewalks. Come and spend an hour or two with your fellow members to beautify our church. All are welcome, no experience needed, and all help is appreciated!



May Birthdays and Anniversaries

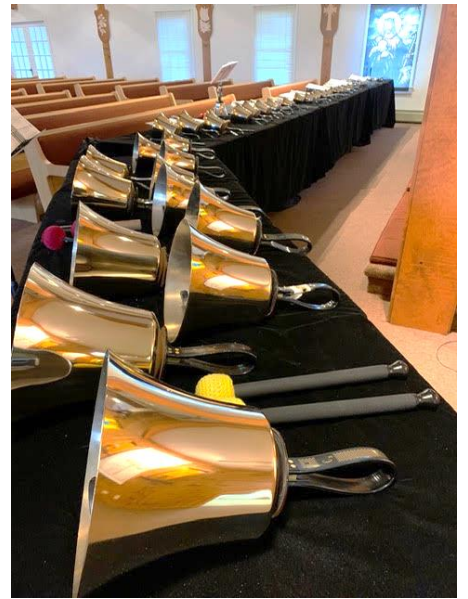


Dorothy Corman

JOYFUL NOISEthanks to visiting Handbells...May 12

What an outstanding evening with the music brought to Mt. Calvary from Concordia University Irvine's Handbell Choir Concert! 125 people were in the sanctuary for this special event! So much talent and hard work was appreciated by everyone. And they appreciated the potluck dinner we provided and also the "beds" for the night in homes. Many thanks to all who listened to the music, made food, provided overnight beds & breakfasts, welcomed the students and their directors, and helped get Mt. Calvary ready for their visit. Everyone was blessed!

Listening to them play reminded me how each person was responsible for usually one or two 🛎 bells...seemingly a small part of the whole songs, but together it made beautiful music! What a lesson for us to remember we too have small parts in the church, in life...but our parts can also make a difference in the song of life! All our bells are important...let's get out there and "RING" !!



DID YOU KNOW? By Pastor Henry Rische

**“These stones will remind the people
of what the Lord has done!” Joshua 4:6**

When God parted the waters of the Jordan River to enable the people of Israel to cross safely into the promised land, Joshua selected 12 men, one from each tribe, to bring a stone to the opposite shore. A cairn was constructed. When someone, in the future, wondered what the stones meant, they were told of what the Lord had done for His people.

When moss rock was purchased for the altar, font, and pulpit, members were also asked to bring moss rocks to include in the construction. Many of the rocks that you see came from members. They serve as a reminder of all that God has done for the people of Mount Calvary. A friend of Mount Calvary, Leo Weber, made the beetle killed pine tops for the furnishings. Since the plain paneled walls looked out of place, workers added stained and varnished knotty pine boards to the chancel area and front walls. As plans were made for carpeting, another decision had to be made. Should the 63 year old hardwood pews be reinstalled and chairs be added to the annex? 36 new, cushioned pews, would cost \$16,222.00, an amount not included in the budget! It didn't take long to raise the extra amount and we are enjoying that decision still today.

After much more work, a dedication date was set for May 6, 1984. As trumpets sounded, members cut ribbons to the various areas of the remodeled sanctuary-nave. Among them, Rick and Peggy Pepmiller and their 2-1/2 year old daughter, Kimberly, cut the ribbon to the new cry room. By the way, Kimberly, as a nurse, will soon be on her way to South Africa as a medical missionary. Pastor Ralph Phipps, president of the Rocky Mountain District, preached the sermon with the theme, “What Do These Stones Mean?” He connected the 12 stones of Joshua's day to our moss rocks and the stories they tell.

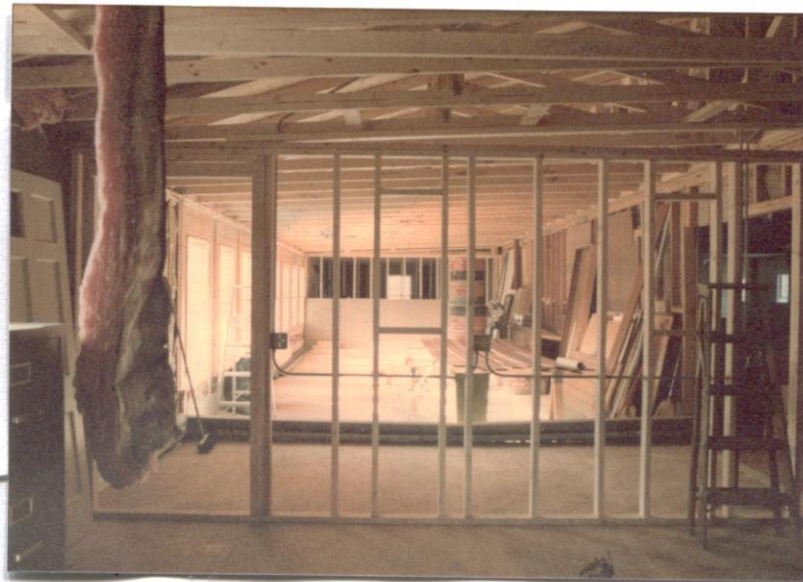
The two larger moss rocks on the front of the baptismal font tell a special story. They were brought by Karl and Bev Ebel who were anticipating the baptism of their twin grandchildren. Cam and Shelly Marcoux (Ebel) were the first babies baptized at the new moss rock font.

These words of thanks at the end of dedication service sum up the story of how God works through His people: "Painting, staining, pies and cakes for workers, dusting, washing, siding, stooping, bending, sweating, varnishing, picking up trash, hauling to the dump, odd jobs and not so odd, puttying, lifting and everything else that needed doing — MANY VOLUNTEERS"!



MOSS
ROCK
WORKERS

VIEW
OF
ANNEX
FROM
FRONT
TO
BACK





Church Council Corner June 2022 Newsletter

Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Estes Park, Colorado

"Sharing God's Word & the love of Jesus Christ as we serve others."

COUNCIL met Thurs, May 19, 2022, 6:04-6:55 pm in person & by Zoom.

Present: DEjare (presiding), D Holmes (Trustee), L Watkins (VP), Jerry Henderson

(Elder), K Fjare (Treas), J Svancara (Fin Secy) & S Bachman (Secy). J Henderson read a Portals of Prayer selection: *Life without faith and spiritual nourishment is parched and empty, while the cool waters of faith, fellowship, His Word, and, for us, the promise of Pr Stevens coming soon offer cool Living Water.*

Scripture=Prov 3:7-8, "Turn from evil—Fear the Lord."

TRUSTEES: Don Holmes/Jim Baranovic: **+Church:** The deck stump gap is still open. Continue to **Watch your step on the deck!** **+Last adjustments on Zoom happening soon. YAY! Thanks to all who helped install & test.**

NOW we need **more volunteers to learn the ropes** to keep **ZOOM going** for shut-ins and out of towners. Each week we upload recordings to our ever-improving website! See **Doug Fjare** for training. (It's **easier** than you think!)

HERE AM I, SEND ME, SEND ME!

+CLEAN UP WEEK—June 6-11. Fun, Fruitful Fellowship.

Sign up or just Show Up! See trustees or Cheryl Schutz.

+Reminder: Talk to Don H or Jim Baranovic to be on the Mowing Team rotation. Grass getting Shaggy.

+Pastor Stevens' Study carpet was professionally cleaned, and a new door blind replaced, Thx to **Jim Baranovic and Ed Nelson.**



ELDERS: **Jerry Henderson** +Thanks to Hospitality Women & Men ("This is a "Happening" group!) for spearheading all these:

+Concordia Univ. touring **BELL CONCERT** bringing out a big audience, many new to Mt Calvary. (See Dorothy C, Char D, Cheryl S or Kristi F to pitch in.)

+The **Glenda Pedersen** Funeral and fellowship arrangements, May 26.

The **June 5 Installation fellowship/dinner** for attendees plus Circuit & District pastors.

The Gift of Love and Color--shut-in/caregivers Geranium Distribution.

FINANCIAL\$: **+Council** agreed unanimously with **Elders' suggestion** to make **SUPPORT A SEMINARIAN** through plate and envelopes, no longer by plate at the door till year's end. Lutherans headed toward Seminary are an "Endangered Species!" Start using ANY ENVELOPE from home or offering box—to include your donation. See J Henderson's note also in this newsletter.



+Natural gas use and cost is UP, but...hey! To the upside--we are VERY BUSY!

+Annual AUDIT for procedures is being arranged by the Council.

Council/Voters Business: +Echoing the sentiment of **Voters** May 15, the *Annex Committee* reported all **roofing, paint, electrical, plumbing, and other bids & estimates** to Council. We will repair what is most needful next 6 months, and do more zoning/Commercial Use research.

Next Council Meeting: 6pm JUNE 16, 2022.

In His Service, submitted by Susan Bachman, Mount Calvary Council/Voters Secretary

Treasurer's Report for April 2022

	<u>April 2022</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Envelope Offerings	7,406.00	47,913.00
Plate Offerings	901.00	2,300.00
Other Income	11.62	47.47
Total Income	8,318.62	50,260.47
Investments*	-8,753.47	-16,809.00
<u>Expense</u>		
Outreach	2,580.00	2,830.00
Worship	683.46	2,474.68
Professional	2,000.00	10,818.15
Christian Education	0.00	0.00
Printed Materials	233.24	386.44
Church & CFC	1,286.87	6,420.21
Operations		
Administrative	1,414.12	4,866.53
Total Expense	8,197.69	27,796.01
Income Less Expense	120.93	22,464.46

Annex

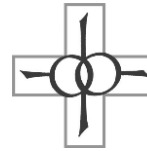
	<u>April 2022</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
<u>Income</u>		
ANNEX Items		
Annex Rents	5,730.00	16,630.00
Annex Utility	0.00	0.00
Reimb.		
Insurance rebate	0.00	0.00
Other Income	0.00	0.00
Total Income	5,730.00	16,630.00
<u>Expense</u>		
Annex Operations		
Insurance	0.00	3,572.32
Repairs & Upkeep	0.00	3,669.67
Utilities	0.00	438.55
Property Taxes	1,555.22	3,110.44
Total Expense	1,555.22	10,790.98
Income less Expense	4,174.78	5,839.02



Birthdays

2	Linda Schuricht
4	Char de Kehoe
10	Ruth Heineman
10	Rylee Nelson-Koob
10	Mike Van Brunt
12	Sheila Ellzey
13	Jim Baranovic
14	Jim Bachman
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Anniversaries



Jim and Susan Bachman (53)
Rick and Peggy Pepmiller (48)
Jerry and Kathy Henderson (54)
Henry and Marian Rische (57)
Warren and Jan Wergin (67)
Tom and Lois Giordano (52)

(If we missed your special day, please let the office know.)

Happy Birthday
To Everyone
Born in June!

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Anniversary



Lutheran Women's Missionary League Updates

Summer Coffee Fellowship: There are plenty of opportunities for you to serve during Sunday morning fellowship. Please check the signup sheet on the fellowship hall bulletin board. The food need not be fancy or plenteous. Cheryl will make coffee.

Thank you – CA. Bell Choir: Thank you to all who helped make the Irvine, CA Concordia University Bell Choir tour a big success for Mt. Calvary. All of the wonderful food for the potluck was delicious and such a variety! Those who kept students overnight and breakfast the next morning need to be generously thanked also. We had a good time with a fabulous concert on Thursday evening, May 12.

Thank you – Geraniums: Thank you to Kristi for picking up the geraniums and those who helped deliver them to the nice people we think of at Mt. Calvary. This was a very nice project to benefit the Quota Club of Estes Park.

Thank you – Glenda Pedersen funeral: A special Thank You goes out to Barb and Ed Nelson for their dedicated time of purchasing items, setting up and leading the help team to make the funeral meal a success on Thursday, May 26 at Mt. Calvary. You two are always an asset to Mt. Calvary.

District LWML Convention – Ingathering: Items are due to the church no later than Wednesday, June 1 at the church. so that Rick and Peggy Pepmiller can take them to the convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The convention is June 3 – 5. The following items are needed:

God Cares About You: Sharing Christ's Love to the disadvantaged: Children's Bible Story Books (new or used in good condition). Hygiene Kits: hand towel, wash cloth, bar of soap and a small packet of tissue in a large Ziplock bag.

Hartley House: Provides support and provisions to battered women: New Underwear, all sizes and in original packaging. Feminine Hygiene Products, in original box or packaging.

Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care: Proclaims the Gospel on both sides of the border: Blankets, all sizes, new or gently used. New Toys, for ages 1 through 12. Puzzles, Legos, toy vehicles, learning toys, plush toys, action figures, dolls, fidget toys. Coloring books, cooking and kitchen children's items, craft kits and board games.

Rev. Steven's Installation – Sunday, June 5: This special church service is at 3:00 p.m. followed by an early POTLUCK SUPPER. Please bring your favorite foods to greet pastor Bob and his wife Laurie and other guests so bring a little bit extra for all to enjoy. Time will yet be determined for setup on Saturday, June 4.

Spring Cleaning: It has been postponed until Monday, June 6 to Saturday, June 11. Details to follow.

Mt. Calvary Birthdays & Anniversaries: These will be celebrated Sunday, June 12, so come to fellowship!!

Father's Day – "Dad Donuts": Sunday, June 19, at fellowship time. Come & Celebrate. The Hospitality Committee will provide the delicious donuts in honor of the fathers.

Cheryl Schutz - President of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Women's Missionary League

June

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			1 9:00 am Prayer Quilters Joyful Noise 8:45-9:30 am Hospitality 9:30-10:30. am	2	3	4
The Day of Pentecost 5 9:00 am Divine Service Holy Communion & via Zoom Meetings 10:30 am Bible Study & via Zoom Meetings 3:00 pm Installation of Rev. Robert Stevens	6  Week	7 	8 9:00 am Prayer Quilters 	9 	10 	11 St. Barnabas, Apostle 
12 9:00 am Divine Service & via Zoom Meetings 10:30 am Bible Study & via Zoom Meetings	13	14  Flag Day 2:00 pm German Club 7:00 pm Elders	15 9:00 am Prayer Quilters Joyful Noise 8:45-9:30 am Hospitality 9:30-10:30. am	16 6:00 Council	17	18
19 9:00 am Divine Service Holy Communion & via Zoom Meetings 10:30 am Bible Study & via Zoom Meetings Father's Day	20	21  First Day of Summer	22 9:00 am Prayer Quilters Info for newsletter due	23	24	25
26 9:00 am Divine Service & via Zoom Meetings 10:30 am Bible Study & via Zoom Meetings	27	28	29 St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostle 9:00 am Prayer Quilters	30		

Jesus said, "For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."

Matthew 18:20

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