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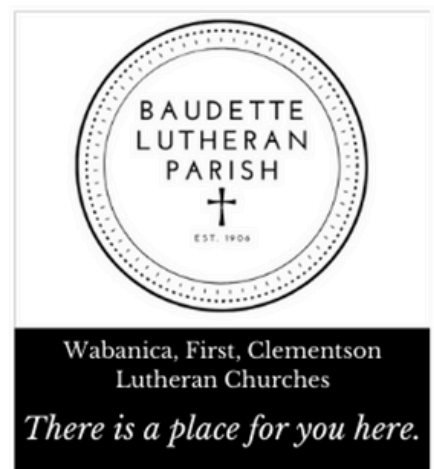
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**Baudette Lutheran Parish Council Meeting  
June 11, 2024**

**Members present:** Calista Wolf, Bertel Anundson, Linda Bauers, Judy Humeniuk, Sue Smith, Mark Washburn, Gary Hasbargen, Marla Hasbargen, Sue Hasbargen, Gary Swenson, Roger Erickson, Ken Horntvedt, Doris Nelson and Shelley Pepera.

**Call to Order:** Roger Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Roger Erickson to accept June 11, 2024, meeting agenda. Second by Ken Horntvedt. Motion carried.

**Devotion:** Calista read a daily devotion from the Book of Isaiah and led us in prayer.

**Caring Conversations:** We lifted up in prayer, families in need of a prayer and those celebrating good news.

**Secretary Report:** Motion by Ken Horntvedt to accept May 14, 2024, Parish Council Meeting Minutes. Second by Linda Bauers. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Calista reports expenses paid for Vacation Bible School are under budget. A pending approved Salvation Army claim will reimburse the parish bank account for expenses paid for a school related purchase. Motion by Roger Erickson to approve the June 11, 2024 Parish Balance Sheet, YTD Budget Reports and May Profit and Loss Financial Reports. Second by Doris Nelson. Motion carried.

**Synod Authorized Minister Report:** Calista gave her report highlighting May and June parish/synod activities, progress updates related to education, her participation in community events to support local students and care center residents. She closed with a list of upcoming plans for June and July. Calista proudly reports Bacalaureate was a success with excellent participation and encouraged community volunteers to consider helping with upcoming 'Spa Day' events at the care center.

**Individual Congregation Updates:** Clementson will be hosting their annual Father's Day picnic on June 16th and reports their participation at a recent successful breakfast fundraiser donated funds to the hospice program; First Lutheran will be hosting a joint worship on Sunday, June 30th and First Lutheran will be hosting a free picnic June 25th from 5:00 – 7:00 based on a generous donation in memory of Steven Tauer; The Community Band will be performing at the next Wabanica Pizza Night on June 26th. Wabanica will also be serving "Donuts for Dad's" on Father's Day Sunday.

#### **Old Business**

**Part Time CYF (Children, Youth and Families Position):** Calista presented to the council a recommendation to hire a part time CYF Leader. Her recommendation and input from the council included an explanation of the CYF Leader primary job duties, hours per week and recommended hourly pay. Calista is ready to offer the part time CYF Leader job to a qualified individual and is requesting board approval to proceed. Motion by Judy Humeniuk to authorize Calista to proceed with the recommended CYF Leader job offer to Kelsey Armstrong. Second by Ken Horntvedt. Motion carried.

**Parish Agreement:** Calista, Deb Perala and Roseann Swenson continue to make progress updating the proposed changes to the Parish Agreement.

**Vacation Bible School:** Vacation Bible School dates are scheduled for June 24 – 27 at First Lutheran. As of the date of this meeting, approximately 20 students have enrolled.

#### **New Business**

**Growing Young/Chapter 4:** "Take Jesus' Message Seriously" was the theme of this discussion. This chapter highlights a unique religious framework that some readers found difficult to understand. Therefore chapter 4 will continue to be discussed at the July council meeting. The discussion did prompt us to talk about the success of the past parish mentor program and Calista is tentatively planning to promote this, again, during Lent 2025.

**Council Agenda:** This topic was a revisit from last month. Who should be responsible for assigning the agenda topics – should it be Calista or should it be a member of the parish council? Although the group was divided in their opinions, going forward for now Calista will prepare the council agendas. All were in agreement, to evaluate and revisit this plan in approximately three months.

**Next Meeting Scheduled for July 9, 2024**

**Motion by Roger Erickson to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm, Second by Sue Smith. Motion carried. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.**

**Respectfully submitted, by Shelley Pepera, Wabanica Council Secretary**

**First Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 11, 2024**

**Present: Linda Bauers, Bertel Anundson, Phyllis Paulsen, Sue Smith, Mark Washburn, Judy Humeniuk, Joyce Washburn, Karen Hanson, Jim Frohreich and guest Don Tauer**

**President, Linda Bauers called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.**

**Approval of the Agenda – Motion was made by Sue Smith, seconded by Judy H., to approve the agenda with two additions to new business which are parking light and picnic table, seconded by Karen H. MC**

**Approval of Minutes from May 14, 2024– a motion was made Jim F., seconded by Phyllis P. to approve the minutes. MC**

**Parish Council Update: Linda reported that Calista has found a person who is willing to work part time. Kelsey Armstrong was highly recommended. The committee is working on the Parish Agreement. June 26th will be pizza night at Wabanica and VBS is the last week in June.**

**Financial report: Treasurers Report –Mark went through his report – motion was made by Judy H. seconded by Karen H. to accept this report.**

**Financial secretary's report – Bertel presented his report on the giving for May and the Day Care was discussed again. Phyllis will talk to her on this.**

**Old Business:**

- a. Picnic – will be held June 25th from 5 – 7 PM. This is for the parish and guests and will be held at First Lutheran. Northern Bites will cater.**
- b. Joint service fellowship – decided to serve coffee and bars after service.**
- c. Pulpit mic was discussed – for a 27" mic the cost will be \$529.00. Phyllis P. made a motion to go ahead and order one.**
- d. Parking lot updates. – We had one bid to reseal the lot and are waiting to hear from a couple of others. A motion was made by Judy H., seconded by Phyllis P., to let Bertel, Jim and Mark go ahead and make the decision on this. MC**
- e. Parking lot light – Judy H. said she talked to Kevin Holen on fixing this and he said it would cost around \$1000.00 to fix this light. She will call him.**
- f. Picnic table – Jim F. said he will take care of the old table.**

**New Business: None**

**Committee Reports:**

**Education – VBS is June 24 – 27 Still in need of volunteer helpers.**

**Property – Jim said the doors are hung but need some final touch up done – basement floor water was discussed and with all the rain we have had, it will be wet.**

**Worship and music – Joyce said choir is done for the summer and maybe a small group will sing sometime – the new liturgy songs are songs that go with Calista's sermon series, the Liturgy of the Ordinary, she is doing now.**

**FLCW – Karen – June 5th the ladies had their picnic, The Synod meeting in Sept. will be in Moorhead – August 23 & 24th will be the rummage sale this year.**

**Next council meeting will be July 9, 2024 after Parish Council meeting.**

**Beacon deadline – June 20, 2024**

**A motion was made by Sue S., second by Joyce W, to adjourn this meeting. MC**

**Secretary,**

**Sue Smith, Sec.**

## **Wabanica Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes for June 11, 2024**

**Present: Roger Erickson, Gloriann Fischer, Ken Horntvedt, Doris Nelson, Shelley Pepera and Shelley Spears.**  
**Roger called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.**

**Approval of Agenda: Motion by Shelley Spears to accept June 11, 2024 meeting agenda, Second by Ken. Motion carried.**

**Secretary's Report: Motion by Gloriann to accept May 14, 2024 Wabanica Council Meeting Minutes, Second by Shelley Spears. Motion carried.**

**Financial Reports: Ken reports the payment to Church Mutual is an annual payment paid in full for the year. Motion by Gloriann to accept May 31, 2024 Financial Reports, Second by Doris. Motion carried.**

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Building and Grounds: Ken reports the Wabanica boiler needed service, was repaired and is now working. A bill for the cost of the repair will be presented at an upcoming meeting. The building gutters project is now complete.**
- **Education: Vacation Bible School at First Lutheran is scheduled for June 24-27, 2024.**
- **Endowment: No new updates.**
- **Cemetery Policies: No new updates.**
- **Congregational Life Committee Report: No new updates.**

### **Old Business**

**A. Window well coverings are an ongoing project.**

**B. Calista's Sign: The updated sign with Calista's name has been installed. Payment will be authorized when a bill is received. The council members wish to express a special thank you to Rex Muggli for updating the sign.**

**C. Basement Coat Rack: Shelley Spears purchased an 'over the door coat hanger' and plans to install it this month. Thank you, Shelley Spears.**

**D. Library Shelves: During June and July, Leah and Shelley plan to clean out the room, paint and install shelves.**

### **New Business**

**A. Special Offering: The Take-A-Kid Fishing special offering exceeded our goal and all proceeds will be donated to the upcoming Take-a-Kid Fishing event, in June. Thank you, to all who donated. This donation will provide a lifetime fishing license awarded to a youth who participates in the Take-A-Kid Fishing essay contest.**

**B. On behalf of both Leah Larson and Shelley Pepera, a special thank you to the council was shared as Shelley spoke of the highlights of attending the NW MN Synod Assembly at Concordia College, in Moorhead MN, in May. She reports it was an honor for her and Leah to represent our church and shared many highlights of the assembly. Being able to witness and celebrate Calista's commissioning as a Synod Authorized Minister was certainly a highpoint.**

**C. The groundskeeper policy was clarified, discussed and agreed upon. This discussion did prompt us to consider the idea of tracking church member volunteer efforts and recognizing all who donate their time helping with church operations. More discussion will follow at future meetings.**

### **Announcements and Correspondence:**

- **Ken shared with the council, thank you notes, that had been mailed to the church.**
- **The Beacon deadline is June 20, 2024. Next council meeting is July 9, 2024 at appx 6:30 p.m. at First Lutheran.**

**Motion by Gloriann, second by Doris to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.**

**Respectfully submitted by, Shelley Pepera, Secretary**

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# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



## July Communion Schedule

First-July 28

Wabanica-July 7, 28

Clementson-July 7

June Baptisms:



June Celebrations of Life:

Dorothy Moen  
Bill Mosher

Ruby's Pantry  
Distribution Dates

August 1  
Sept. 5  
Oct. 3  
Nov. 7



Parish Pastoral Care  
Team



Do you know someone who could use a visit or communion at home? Kay Schell has generously volunteered to help visit our people in their homes if they need! Call her at 218-395-0777.

Spa Day once a month  
at the Care Center:

This month,  
July 22nd, 2-3pm.



More volunteers would  
be great!

Come help us give our  
seniors a few cuts, curls  
and nail polish!

The First Lutheran  
Fall Rummage Sale

will be held on  
August 23rd and 24th.

\*\*\*First Lutheran member  
donations only  
this year.

Start rounding up those items!



## Pizza Nights

Wabanica Pizza Nights are happening, weather permitting, and will continue once a month for the summer and through nice fall temps from 5-7pm, the 4th Wednesday of each month.



## Pickleball Mondays

\*\*Attention any potential Pickleball Players:  
Wabanica has pickleball nets, paddles and balls  
available for use this summer.

Regular pickleball nights will be on **Monday evenings from about 5-7pm!**



Lefse 101

*A class taught by Kathy Tischart,  
will be offered in September.  
More details coming in August.*

BAUDETTE COMMUNITY  
BLOOD DRIVE!



MONDAY, JULY 8TH  
11:15AM-3:30PM  
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH



# FAITH EDUCATION

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

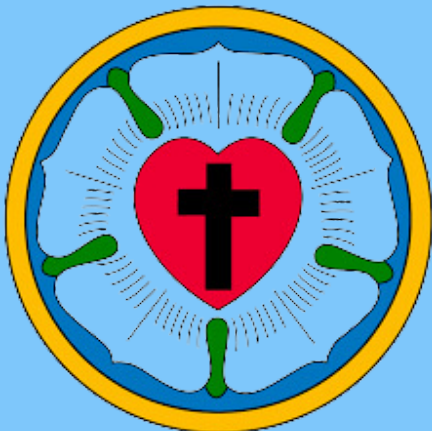


Mondays and Fridays by appointment only.

Please call the office at 218-634-2064 if you need an appointment outside of scheduled office hours.

8. What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God.

## MICAH 6:8



## VBS (June Vacation Bible School)

Participation 2024

20- Pre-School & Kindergarteners

21- 1st-6th graders

\*\*Sunday School begins in September, looking for volunteers to help with planning, teaching and helping.



## Readings for July



7/7

2 Corinthians 5:18-19

Matthew 5:23-24

7/21

Romans 8:22-27

John 14:1-7

7/14

Numbers 6:23-26

Matthew 28:18-20

Luke 2:28-32

7/28

2 Thessalonians

2:13-17

Matthew 18:18-20



## Faith Fridays!

PreK kids are invited to attend a FREE full day faith education program!

When: Fridays during the school year  
Drop off as early as 7:30am. Pick up at 4:30pm

Where: First Lutheran Church  
Registration required.

There is a max of 12 kids that will be accepted this year.  
\*Free will offerings accepted.



## New BLP Children, Youth & Families Coordinator

My name is Kelsey Armstrong! I am a wife and mother to four beautiful children: Logan (12), Chloe (8) and twins Henry and Jack (4). I have been working with children for the last 20 years in some way, and I love every minute of it. I can't wait to work with the next kiddos!

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# THE BEACON



## A Letter from Calista...



**My siblings in Christ,**

**JULY?! It's crazy how fast time goes when we are having summer fun! June was full of busy blessings: VBS, picnics, pizza, etc! July is going to be a slower month in the church. We will continue our sermon series, which I've been loving and getting so much from, but it will be a little summer sabbath from programming.**

**I will be out of the office for more than a week at the Montana Institute with the Prevention Coalition. I'm looking forward to a time or learning amongst the mountains.**

**Praying for summer rest and peace,**

*Calista*

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