

# MESSENGER

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## Memorial Day Reflection

Memorial Day is back—and with it summer! The flags along the streets of Pipestone bring us to remember those who gave everything for us. Memorial Day began as Decoration Day following the Civil War (1868). Businesses would close and thousands would gather at local cemeteries to decorate the graves of fallen soldiers. First celebrated on May 30 and now the last Monday of May, the purpose of Memorial Day stands the same: to remember those soldiers who gave their lives to give us freedom.

153 years ago, on the very first National Decoration Day, President James Garfield made this statement to those gathered at Arlington Cemetery: For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue. For the noblest man that lives, there still remains a conflict. He must still withstand the assaults of time and fortune, must still be assailed with temptations, before which lofty natures have fallen; but with these the conflict ended, the victory was won, when death stamped on them the great seal of heroic character, and closed a record which years can never blot. (James Garfield, May 30, 1868)

In his letter to a young pastor, the Apostle Paul similarly calls us to remember a death that marked great victory. He tells Timothy: Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel (2 Timothy 2:8, ESV). Paul is saying remember all that Jesus did for you. Remember that Jesus lived the life you could never live. Remember that Jesus died the death that you deserved to die. Remember that Jesus rose from the dead, defeated death, and offers you eternal life.

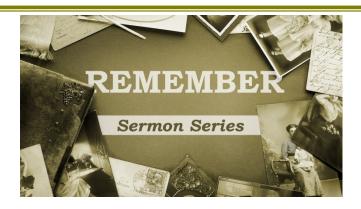
And so, as you take a weekend away from the normal routines of life, enjoy your family. Enjoy your rest. Enjoy your camper. Enjoy your boat. Enjoy some hamburgers and brats. But please, please take a moment to remember. Remember the soldiers who gave their lives. Remember your freedom. Remember your heritage. But most of all, use this moment to remind your family and friends of the One, Jesus Christ, who won the battle against sin, death, and the devil.

Let me close with the words that Paul gave Timothy following the call to remember Jesus Christ: The

saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with [Jesus Christ], we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself. (2 Timothy 2:11–13, ESV) May we never forget!

Have a wonderful Memorial Day—and summer! Pastor Matthew





June 6 While You Can Ecclesiastes 12:1-7 Pastor Tim

June 13 Who You Were Ephesians 2:11-17 Pastor Tim

June 20 Your Children Psalm 78:1-8 Pastor Matthew

June 27 Your Persecutors John 15:18-25 Intern Sam

July 4 Your Freedom 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Pastor Matthew



# June 6, 2021 @ CTK Following the 10:30 AM Outdoor worship service

CTK will provide meat, beverages, plates and plasticware for the meal. Please bring chips or salad or dessert to share and your lawn chair. Fold-up chairs will also be provided. Don't forget to sign up your team of two for the bean bag tournament.





Cash Basis
Balance Sheet

## Christ the King Free Lutheran Church Financial Report As of April 30, 2021

Revenue / Expenditures

	Apr 30, 21		Apr 21
ASSETS		Revenue	
		<b>Building and Grounds</b>	100.00
Checking/Savings		General Revenue	17,776.08
Bank Total		Outreach Revenue	4,815.67
Building		Total Revenue	22,691.75
Altar Guild	108.92	Expenditures	
<b>Building Fund Account</b>	872.09	<b>Building &amp; Grounds</b>	2,704.48
Wedding Deposits	500.00	Discipleship Expenditures	195.00
Total Building	1,481.01	Family Events	40.00
General Total		Misc.	891.42
General	19,692.96	Office	889.54
Truth Help	234.48	Outreach Disbursement	
Total General Total	19,927.44	20 %Outreach	2,840.00
Outreach		PAS Wellness	100.00
20% Offering	4,297.37	Samaritan's Purse	313.45
<b>Children's Mission Offering</b>	313.30	<b>Total Outreach Disbursement</b>	3,253.45
Thrivent	1,221.99	Payroll Expenditures	15,316.40
Total Outreach	5,832.66	Share And Care	550.00
Share And Care	550.00	Youth	1,607.67
Special Accounts		Total Expenditures	25,447.96
Internship Fund	6,267.20	Net Revenue (Deficit)	(2,756.21)
<b>Local Outreach Ministry</b>	4,623.71		
<b>Church Missions</b>	1,493.74		
Marriage Ministry	307.98		
Scholarship	322.26		
Youth	11,453.93		
<b>Total Special Accounts</b>	24,468.82		
Total Bank Total	52,259.93		
Total Checking/Savings	52,259.93		

## Trustee Minutes Christ The King Free Lutheran Church May 13, 2021 7:00 pm

**Present**: Jim Gawerecki, Dave Sutherland, Jim Otter, Bill VanderPlaats, Morgan McNickle, Marcine Olsen, Brandie Hulstein, Laurie Bruns, Heather De Wilde Absent:

**Also Present**: Pastor Matthew, Collene Landgren, Mike Morgan, Wayne Smith.

President Jim Gawerecki called the meeting to order. Social distancing was observed. Devotions were led by Bill VanderPlaats from a devotional Always Jesus. Rejoice & be glad while you seek Me. Be joyful in Me. Joyfulness brings joy to others. Be prepared to give others an answer when asked about joy. Bill V. led in prayer. Pastor Tim will lead devotions in June.

**Elders' Consultation:** Wayne Smith represented the Elders. At the last meeting the Elders discussed recommendations for revisions to Pastor Tim's call letter and his job description. The trustees were given a copy of the recommendations, it was tabled until the next meeting for the trustees to review the job description.

**COVID report:** As of 05/13/2021 Pipestone county reported 1,154 cases (includes confirmed and probable) and 26 deaths. The CDC has announced they no longer recommend the use of masks by vaccinated persons.

**The Treasurer's report** for April was presented. Dave S. moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Bill V. Motion carried.

Treasurer Mike Morgan reported the forgiveness has been approved for the PPP Cares Loan just waiting for the final paperwork.

**The Payment of bills,** Heather D. moved to approve the bills, seconded by Jim O. Motion carried.

**Outreach was discussed**; Jim O. moved to approve outreach, seconded by Heather D. Motion carried.

The Banquet	\$	1,097.37	Food Shelf	\$	100.00
CRU-Jeff	\$	500.00	CRU-Paul	\$	500.00
Brazil Student	\$	100.00	Local Outrea	ach	\$ 300.00
Alpha Center	\$	300.00	Kvale's(Wyc	liffe	)\$ 500.00
Atlas for Life	\$	200.00	Children's Li	fe	\$ 200.00
Intern Account	\$	100.00	San Antonio	Chi	urch \$ 100.
PAS Wellness R	oor	m \$ 100.00	Matthew Ab	el	\$ 100.00
Tim & Sheila St	eele	e \$ 100.00			

**The secretary's report** from the April 8, 2021 meeting was presented. Bill V. moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Dave S. Motion carried.

#### Youth Ministry and Family Ministry Reports:

**Youth Ministry:** Pastor Matthew submitted a report of activities. Finnians will have the Friday Night event outside on June 25 and will be for all ages. Intern Sam will be involved with the youth and the family ministry as Pastor Matthew will taking time off when the baby is born.

**Family Ministry**: The outdoor service and end of year picnic on June 6 will be held at the church instead of

at Hiawatha Park. The worship service will be at 10:30 am due to set up time & church picnic to follow the service.

**Pastors' Report: Pastor Tim** submitted a report of activities for the last month. Pastor Tim was on vacation on May 13 and did not attend the meeting.

Pastor Matthew submitted reports of activities for April. Pastor Matthew reported Good Sam care center has reopened for visitors. They have started a Monday night Bible study that Pastor Matthew has been leading in the absence of a chaplain.

#### **Old Business:**

**Parking Lot:** Bill V. talked to Double D about the damage. There isn't much that can be done unless it is dug out and basically rebuilt. When moving snow in the spring they will stay off that area.

**Bus:** Dave S. reported the bus is at a repair shop in Egan, SD. They have been working on it.

**Flower Boxes:** Morgan M. will bring some flowers that Ginger recommends to be planted. Heather D. & Brandie H. offered to plant them.

**Stain Wood:** Marcine O. volunteered to help stain the playground equipment and Pat W, will do pillars.

**Replace toilets in women's restroom:** Morgan M. will donate 2 toilets for the restroom.

#### **New Business:**

**The Banquet:** CTK will be serving at The Banquet - West on May 18. A signup sheet has been posted. CTK will give \$ 1,097.37 for the meal.

**FLBC Ambassadors concert:** The Ambassadors will be at CTK on June 9 and perform a concert at 7 PM. CTK will provide host homes and a meal before the concert.

**RightNow Medial update:** Pastor Matthew submitted a report with the usage from CTK. It was suggested to show video clips of what was available and/or have a feature of the month to highlight.

**Solar Garden:** A representative from Novel Solar Gardens asked if CTK wanted to participate in the program. The trustees are not interested in the program at this time.

**Other:** Bill V. reported the trees along the highway are the responsibility of the state and they will remove them after the bat nesting season.

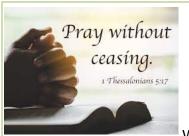
**Wayne S.** mentioned the sign by the highway still has the preschool information on it.

Morgan McNickle reported there was a minor leak in the roof of the sanctuary, it was repaired.

**Marcine O.** moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim G. adjourned the meeting and Pastor Matthew closed in prayer. Collene Landgren, recording secretary {Draft subject to approval by the trustees}



- 1 Steve Kvale
- 2 Rose Beck
- 5 Daniel Minet
- 6 Elliot Amdahl
- 9 Munro McNickle
- 9 Pat Woelber
- 10 Jeremy Bush
- 10 Brooke Manzey
- 11 Saul Carlson
- 11 Lydia Brockberg
- 12 Tessa Lueck
- 13 David Brockberg
- 14 Duane Stratton
- 15 Erv Scholten
- 15 Lori Williams
- 17 Jim Otter
- 17 Gary Greenhoff
- 18 William DeZeeuw
- 20 Judy Steuck
- 20 Adi Altena
- 21 Caden Bruns
- 22 Barb Westerbur
- 22 Dawn Sutherland
- 23 Darrell Severeid
- 23 Candace Haag
- 23 Myles Zephier
- 24 Trase Lueck
- 25 Caleb Haag
- 26 Parker Gilbery
- 26 Cammie Haag
- 26 Melissa Zephier
- 27 Cassie Woitaszewski
- 28 Kathy Hess
- 29 Hailey Goebel
- 30 Chuck Schaap



PRAY with us for ZERO
on Planet Earth!
24 Hour Unceasing Prayer Event!
Friday, June 4, 7pm, CDT through
Saturday, June, 5, 7pm
Wycliffe, along with several other organiza-

tions are hoping for many praying Christians of the Church to join together to intercede for zero bible-less in this 24 Hour Prayer Event. Register and receive access to the prayer room at any time during the event and if you'd like to join Steve & Glenda in the hour they are cohosting, join them at 6am to pray for the country of Nigeria. The Nigerian Church is the fastest growing church in Africa. Nigeria has the greatest need on the continent for translation of the Scriptures. We thought we had hearts for prayer, and wow, there is so much more the Lord wants to show us! Join in, be blessed, and learn more about how God is moving! Questions? Get in touch with us! Steve or Glenda Kvale. If you can't make this event and would like to learn about other 24/7/365 prayer rooms, there are always opportunities or you can learn to start your own if so led! The goal is UP! Unceasing Prayer! We encourage you to seek the Lord in how He might be moving you to intercede and grow in this calling. We hope you will join us (so we aren't the only one's praying, June 5 at 6 am) or at any time during those 24 hours! Pray without ceasing.1 Thessalonians. 5:17 Register at: https://www.prayforzero.com/unceasing/

Chattersewers (Quilting) will meet June 1 at 1:00 p.m.





June 20









June 20

Youth Parents will not meet in May



## \*AMBASSADORS

Hunter Berntson, Keziah Quanbeck, Caley Pederson, Bria Larson, Carter Kneeland, Micah Moan

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 7PM

Christ the King Free Lutheran Church

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## Upcoming Event in Pipestone — Tent America 2021 Saturday, July 10 2 PM—2 AM Pipestone County Courthouse

12+ Hours of Unceasing Live

Worship | Prayer | Gospel Proclamation

Hosted by Awaken the Dawn & Pipestone Area Pastors

See the poster on the slat board by the door for more information.



# Adult VBS June 13-17 6:45-8:05 PM The Chosen

Each night we will watch a 40-minute episode of season 1 of the Gospel series The Chosen. This series gives a very Bible honoring view of Jesus and His followers while revealing some common, yet unique sides of the story and personalities that we don't normally consider. Discussion and Bible study will follow each episode.

(Pastor Matthew, Pastor Tim, & Intern Sam will be the teachers and the class will meet in the Youth Room. Bring your Bible.)



Dear Christ the King Lutheran Church,

Thanks so very much for your gift of \$205.00.

We deeply appreciate everything that you do to help us in our lendeavor to reach those less fortunate.

In the Name of Jesus—Janice Almond, Union Gospel Mission

#### Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your partnership and support in proclaiming this life changing truth to a world that desperately needs to hear it. Please continue to join us in praying that hearts and minds would be opened to the truth of who God is, how great is His love, how desperately we need Him, and how He longs to forgive and to heal.

In His Love,

Pastor Randy Nelson, Director AFLC Evangelism and Discipleship

## AFLC Conference Information 2021

Hosted by the AFLC Schools June 16 - 19, 2021

## **PRAY for the AFLC Annual Conference**

- \*The AFLC would continue to uphold the inerrant Word of God and stand strong in the face of Spiritual warfare.
- \*Elections at the conference would be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- \*Safety for those attending.

## "Prepare the Way of the Lord"

ISAIAH 40:3

VISIT AFLC.ORG/2021REGISTRATION



## **Upcoming Dates to remember:**

- June 5 Valley Fair
- June 13 17 VBS
- June 27-July 2 Sr High Pickerel Lake Camp
- July 12-16 Canoe Trip
- | ◆ July 7 FLY One Night
- July 25 30 Jr High Pickerel Lake Camp



## Saturday, June 5 6 AM to 9 PM Tickets are reserved! Grades 6-12

For more information contact Pastor Matthew or see the youth calendar at https://www.ctkpipestone.com/youth





## Pickerel Lake Lutheran Bible Camp

is summer camp for youth who have finished grades 5-12. It is a week to build your relationship with Christ, unite with friends from camp, and make new friends. Registration cost is only \$75 and Christ the King youth ministry can help defray this cost. Ask Pastor Matthew for more details.

- Senior High week (grades 8-12) is June 27-July 2 (register by June 1)
- Junior High week (grades 5-7) is July 25-30 (register by July 7)



## Steve & Glenda Kvale with Wycliff Bible Translators

Praises be to God with thanksgiving, and to you, for also being an important part of keeping us on the field in service for the sake of the bible-less for 15 years now! When we heard them call our name for our 15 year milestone, we were so blessed and humbled. It is hard to believe it's been that long, and we think of your prayers and ministry partnership as senders as equally as essential as the go-ers, so, Happy 15th Anniversary of service to you, too!! Thank you so much for your devotion to sacrificial intercession and generosity as well as your encouraging words and friendship that mean more to us than we can express. It is a privilege to serve together with you as we see the advancement of bible translation, lives transformed, and many celebrating with the Word of God in their hands— available in their heart language! Glory to God!



What in the world have we been doing these days!? We continue to serve in support role capacity from our SW MN farm-site: Steve in IT support for the Wycliffe USA Ad-

vancement Department on the bible-less peoples prayer project, Glenda in administrative support for the Intercessory Prayer Team/Offices of the President and the Advancement Department. We are helping facilitate: computer support needs in various areas, prayer meetings (national and international), connection of intercessors with field prayer requests and answers regarding bible translation (for missionaries, translators, the bible-less). Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving. Colossians 4:2 NASB

To understand a little bit better what part of the process we serve in, think about it as three categories in the bible translation process: 1) doing what it takes to get a waiting people group's language translation project to the starting line, 2) doing what it takes to keep a started work in progress, progressing, 3) doing what it takes to have a work in progress reach the finish line! Do you see yourself in any of these areas by offering your time, intercession, skills, or personal service? There are always ways to volunteer, consider a position for hire, or apply for full-time missionary service...right from your own home or traveling.

Steve has also been slowly getting one or two linguistic classes done in the winter months, three winters ago and this past winter. Keeping his full-time assignment and adding a class when he can do homework in the evenings, is inching him closer to joining the global sign language team. The 37,000,000 members of the deaf community around the world are part of the 'greatest need' for translation. Imagine your bible being made available just last year in 2020. The American Sign Language, complete bible, was finally and joyously celebrated in 2020. Now we just have the other 399 signed languages to pray to the starting line!

In other news about us, we are very thankful for better health after a very difficult winter with doctoring and tests. Thanks for your prayers! We celebrated together in the wedding of our daughter Lenaya, to Derrick, on April 24th. Our last living parent (Steve's dad) continues to do well at 86 years and passionately serving an area farmer. Glenda facilitates a weekly women's bible study on-line. Last, but not least, we never get enough time with our children and grandchildren, we love them all dearly. Neli insists we must include her horse pictures in with the grandchild pictures on the wall. :) We have yet to get up north and see her with them in competitive barrel racing. See photos on next page. **Thank you for your prayers for all of us!** 



Clean Water Projects Each day, Dama awoke early to begin the four-hour trek to collect water. She could only carry one jug, so her family of nine carefully rationed the precious water. Survival depends on access to water, so Samaritan's Purse is working to bring water to communities that are stricken by drought, disaster, or poverty. Your gift can help rehabilitate a broken well, in-

stall a rainwater storage system, or dig a water pan—like the one we dug in Dama's village. Now, Dama's children are no longer in danger of dehydration, and she has more hours in the day to care for her family. As we create access to water, we also teach families how good hygiene can keep them healthy, and we take every opportunity to share the Gospel. Suggested gift \$75.00



"Well done, good and faithful servant." Matt 25:21

Altar Guild

Pat Woelber

## Acolytes

June 6 Mataya Pantekoek

June 13 Makenley DeWilde

June 20 Jordan DeRuyter

June 27 Kynslee Hulstein

## Family of the Week

June 6 Steve & Marla Viland; Kyle, Gavin

June 13 Melissa Wait

June 20 Sheryl & Sonja Wait

June 27 Alan & Irene Warner

Money Counters/ Trustees

> Bill VanderPlaats Heather DeWilde

### Additional information from Kvales:

Time continues to reveal God's faithfulness, provision, blessing, and presence! Your prayers for good health, protection in our travels, more professionals to give their career to missions, and the doors to open where bible-less are waiting, are appreciated!

Pictures of Kvale Family Our website: www.TranslateTheWord.org



Ushers

Rodney Altena Mark Mitchell







Kitchen Clean-up Rose Beck Joanne Griebel

## Worship Leaders

June 6 Matthew Amdahl, Jane Smith, Janelle Brockberg, Susan Parsley

June 13 Adult Praise Band - Shelia Westfield, contact

June 20 Youth Praise Band - Josie Sutherland, contact

June 27 Bill Steuck, Irene Warner, Lynn Hellie, Judy Steuck







Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

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Friday

Saturday

		1 1 PM Quilters	2	8	4	<b>5</b> 6 AM - 9 PM Valley Fair Trip Grades 6 - 12
6 10:30 AM Outdoor Worship Service 11:30 AM End of school picnic 5:30 PM Bible Study @ CTK	7	∞	9 7 PM Ambassadors Concert	10 7 PM Trustees Meet	11	12
9:00 AM Worship Service 6:00 PM VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS	6 PM VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS	15 6 PM VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS	6 PM VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS	6 PM VBS 6:45 PM Adult VBS 8 PM VBS Program Annual Conference—	18	19
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