



# KINDRED CONNECTIONS

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Siblings in Christ,

Welcome to summer. It seems like it's been a long time coming. We had a cold and snowy winter and a very wet spring. As we recover from all that has happened, we move into a time that seems much more relaxed. No kids in school. Time outside because of the warmer weather. Getting to watch baseball and softball games. Going to different camps. Heading out for a round of golf. Spending time at the lake. For many people it is the most enjoyable time of the year.

In our enjoyment and relaxation, we sometimes forget that there are still things happening around us. Farmers are out in the fields. Ranchers are taking care of their animals. Many businesses still run seven days a week. Many people still work 40 hours or more each week. There are still bills to be paid. Churches still have worship services. Please don't forget about all those who are not able to relax as much.

Since this is a church newsletter, I really want to encourage you to not forget about Kindred Lutheran over the summer. In churches all over, the summer months mean smaller gatherings for worship and less money coming in. However, we still have to pay the bills and the same amount of work still gets put into each week. If you are able to, it really helps to set up automatic withdrawals for offering. You don't have to remember to bring money when you come to worship and the leadership gets a better idea about what we can afford to do. We are also going to continue livestreaming our worship services (so long as we have the volunteers to run the system). In May we have been having issues with our livestream: please be patient and look for updates about livestreaming in the future. Please join us for worship over the summer. If you can, join us in person. If you are away, please join us online.

We have a couple of exciting things happening at the beginning of June. June 5 is Pentecost, where we remember and celebrate the Spirit descending upon the apostles and providing for the beginning of the Christian Church. On June 12, we will celebrate Holy Trinity Sunday and my installation as pastor of KLC with Pastor Brad Skogen from the synod office. Then, on June 19, we will recognize and bless the fathers and father figures in our congregation. We especially invite you to join us for these special services.

There is one other thing that I want you to remember this summer. Our call to live as Christians extends into every day of our life. We are called to serve others every day. We are called to share Jesus' love with everybody every day. We are called to pray every day. Whatever you do this summer, please remember to keep strong in your faith life. For God is always with you.

God's Peace,



Pastor Kyle Giermann

**“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”  
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NRSV)**



## Kindred Lutheran Church

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# gathered to grow



## EVENTS

### PENTECOST

Sunday, June 5

Join us in worship as we remember and celebrate the Spirit descending upon the apostles and providing for the beginning of the Christian Church. Wear Red!

### INSTALLATION OF PASTOR KYLE

Sunday, June 12

On June 12, we will celebrate Holy Trinity Sunday and Kyle Giermann will be officially installed as pastor of Kindred Lutheran Church. Guest Pastor Brad Skogen will be with us from the synod office.

### KINDRED VBS

August 8-11  
5:45pm-8:00pm

Children entering preschool (age 4 by July 1st) – 5th Grade

[REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE](#)

We are in need of SEVERAL volunteers. Please consider joining your child for the best week of the summer!

Please check the calendar online for updates

## FROM THE OFFICE

- Summer worship time will change to 9AM starting Sunday, May 29th.
- Bekki will be on vacation May 30th-June 13th. Pastor Kyle might be lonely here in the office by himself, so stop by for a visit!
- Pastor Kyle is getting married! His wedding is June 24th so please be praying for that special day and a blessing on his marriage. He will be out of the office June 23rd through July 5th.





# gathered to grow



**Kindred Kids**  
Sunday School



## KINDRED KIDS YEAR-END PROGRAM

On May 15th we were treated to the Kindred Kids year-end program. The children led the entire worship service and entertained us with their beautiful music! Afterwards, we enjoyed a delicious potluck, cupcake treats, and a photo booth! Thank you to the Kindred Kids committee for putting together such a memorable day (Kelly Engstrom, Jess Althoff, Erin Kub, Tarrand Fiesel). We'd also like to recognize all of the amazing Sunday School teachers who gave their time and love to our children this year:



- **Suzanne Wolf**
- **Verne Wolf**
- **Heather Rhodenbaugh**
- **Terryn Johnson**
- **Kari Johnson**
- **Kamyrn Halvorson**
- **Naomi Miller**
- **Ashley Mund**
- **Tasha Hage**
- **Emily Berg**
- **Kacie Kramer**
- **Kathryn Gray**
- **Caitlin Perhus**
- **Bridget Besette**
- **Michele Hillman**
- **Kari Nokelberg**
- **Justine Gibbon**
- **Sally Erickson**

## TEACHERS NEEDED!

We would love for you to considering donating your time to the KLC Sunday School program!

- Are you retired and looking for a great way to connect with some of the church youth?
- Are you a high school or college student looking to put in some volunteer hours or log some teaching experience?
- Are you a parent looking for volunteer options to do with your children?
- Are you a parent of a Sunday school age child and would love to see the joy and excitement your children exude when you get to be their teacher?

There are so many great benefits to volunteering and we would really appreciate your time. Even if you are unsure about committing to be a volunteer, please take 2-3 minutes to fill out this informational survey. Your answers will be a huge help to the committee as they plan for next year!

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to Kelly Engstrom at 701-793-0284 or Jessica Althoff at 701-640-1585. Thank you!

## Teachers Needed!

Complete the Online Survey  
School Year  
2022-2023



[www.kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/](http://www.kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/)



## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Thanks to all who contributed to the making of quilts for each of our seniors! The creation of these pieces of art is a large undertaking and we would like to share our gratitude to **Peggy Kragnes** for the quilting (batting and decorative stitching). The quilt tops and binding were finished by **Carlotta Spelhaug and Karen Hertsgaard**.

A special blessing and the quilts were presented to the graduates during worship on Sunday, May 22nd. Pictured below are: **Edisen Score, Kiley Kvamme, Terryn Johnson, Ethan Schaffer, Colin Lunde, Andrea Hoyme, Brianna Schock, Kayla Hoyme, Kylie Vining, and Chase Miller**



CLASS OF  
2022





# youth



## Burger Stand

### August 13th

Youth Volunteers Needed

Parent Volunteers Needed

Volunteer Hours can count towards fundraising

2024 Youth Gathering is in New Orleans

# Sign up Genius to come!

## ELCA ND CAMP SITES



<https://www.redwillowministries.com/>

<https://www.parkriverbiblecamp.org/>

Park River is also featuring Youth Fest for 7-12 graders



## End of the Year Lunch

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
Romans 15:13



# sent to serve

## WELCOME!



**Halley Elizabeth Perhus baptized on May 1st. Son of Tanner & Caitlin Perhus, sister to Amelia & Barrett. Welcome!**

## THANK YOU!

**Flood has affected us here at the church building as well as so many other structures in the area. We had a moment of emergency when a new basement leak was discovered. Big thanks to Joan Ottis for cleaning up all the water! Thank you to Gene Thompson and the work of Chris Johnson who located the issue and fixed it! Chris was able to extend some of our downspouts and replace a broken sump pump.**

**We are also grateful to all the individuals and families who helped with Spring Clean-up on May 18th. The crew enjoyed dinner together before getting out the rakes and gloves to freshen up the church yard and clean out the garage. Thank you!**



## YOUR CHURCH!

**Financial Giving to the General Fund:  
Annual Budget \$222,287, Received in 2022 \$74,221  
Needed Each Month \$18,524, Given in May \$11,065**

### **JUNE & JULY BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS**

- Benjamin Miller 06/00
- Naomi Miller 06/00
- Hannah Berg 06/00
- Oakley Torgerson 06/01
- Raegan Torgerson 06/01
- Luke Erickson 06/02
- Jodi Nesemeier 06/04
- Aubrey Engelstad 06/06
- Kelly Perhus 06/07
- Todd Toppen 06/07
- Harper Ritterman 06/10
- Julie Hornbacher 06/12
- Sandra Perhus 06/14
- Kara Jensen 06/14
- Paul Jensen 06/17
- Adam Spelhaug 06/17
- Carlotta Spelhaug 06/18
- Laine Larson 06/18
- Diane Lee 06/19
- Douglas Otterson 06/20
- Archer Swanson 06/22
- Paula Erickson 06/24
- Joan Halland 06/26
- Amelia Perhus 06/26
- Leona Strouse 06/30
- Gail Bakko 07/00
- Jamison Reese 07/00
- Dennis Nipstad 07/01
- Veronica Miller 07/01
- Bentley Ernst 07/01
- Arlene Lykken 07/06
- Erin Kub 07/08
- Heidi Mitchell 07/09
- Becky Johnson 07/12
- Doreen Brandt 07/12
- Christopher Johnson 07/13
- Westin Hage 07/14
- Kara Anderson 07/16
- Kayce Bowers 07/16
- Brady Kub 07/19
- Craig Hertsgaard 07/20
- Kennedy Knowlen 07/22
- Amy Parker 07/27
- Mataya Ordahl 07/27
- Dylan Erickson 07/28
- Kelsie Perhus 07/28
- Kari Johnson 07/29



# council notes

## An update from the KLC Church Council:

**Thank you** to all who served Kindred Lutheran Church by donating their time on June 18th to clean up the church grounds. It was a fun evening that started with a good ol' fashion BBQ and outside yardwork with our church friends. We look forward to more congregational events in the future!

As you may have heard, **the Parsonage is currently under remodel**. The dishwasher sprung a leak due to a bad drain hose and caused extensive water damage throughout the kitchen. Gene Thompson, Lloyd Hoffarth, and I have been working with contractors and insurance. After obtaining 3 bids, the work will be completed by Handy Randy's construction. Repairs consist of the following: Replace all lower cabinets and kitchen island, replace all flooring throughout the kitchen, dining, and hallway upstairs (due to open floor concept, all must be repaired) with Vinyl planking. Most of the trim can be reused with the placement of a small boot to make up for the difference in floor height. The previous flooring is no longer available and was a much thicker flooring than what is currently offered. A new dishwasher has been ordered and is waiting install after kitchen completion. With the honey oak cupboards, the contractor will be making new doors for the upper cabinets and built-in hutch to match the new lower cabinets. He is able to stain match for cost saving of having to replace the upper cabinets as well. The countertop was thrown when Service Master was in doing the water clean-up so will be replaced as well. This is just as well since the old counter was stained and had plenty of wear over the years as well. We are thankful Handy Randy's is able to meet a deadline of end of June so the parsonage should be ready to go when Katie moves in and after Pr. Kyle and Katie return from their honeymoon. We are thankful for Pr. Kyle's patience as he navigates through a kitchen with no countertops and a temporary sink.

Church Mutual's adjustor returned a coverage of \$11,517.14; the church has a deductible of \$2500 with remaining coverage of \$9,017.14. Lloyd, myself, and the contractor are negotiating insurance coverage since the comparable quotes have been returned at just over \$26k - understanding that the upper cabinet doors and the countertops are not being covered by insurance, which we expected. We have moved forward with signing the contract and getting materials ordered so the parsonage can be repaired as timely as possible. We will continue to keep you apprised as updates occur.

Council would also like to send a **huge shout-out to all of the Sunday School teachers on a successful year!** A special thank-you to Kelly Engstrom for all of your hard work as Chair of Kindred Kids! We look forward to preparing for next year and upcoming VBS!

It has been wonderful to see so many faces filling the pews each Sunday morning. Average attendance has been in the 80-90s each week since Pr. Kyle has joined KLC. We couldn't do each week without our wonderful Worship, Music and Fellowship Committees, Altar Guild, Scott Bartram, Craig Hertsgaard and Bekki DuBord. **We thank God for each and every one of you.** If you see these individuals wandering the church hallways, be sure to thank them for all their time, talents, and efforts that they put forth each and every week.

**Our next council meeting** is being held Wednesday, June 8th at 6:30pm due to upcoming vacation schedules.

We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Memorial weekend and upcoming summer, should Mother Nature ever decide to change seasons. Please keep the graduates in your prayers as they close out this chapter of their lives and embark on the next adventure; and for the farmers who have been significantly impacted by the rain and overland flooding and all others who have been effected by this weather.



Lisa Davis - President  
KLC Council



# prayers

*“THE PRAYER OF THE RIGHTEOUS IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE!” JAMES 5.16*

**Please lift up the following in your prayers:**

## **THANKFULNESS FOR:**

The coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

The calling of Pastor Kyle Giermann, may he be abundantly blessed by members of KLC. Holy Spirit, guide and equip him for this time of leadership.

Gratitude for KLC members who have volunteered to serve on the Church Council and other Committees.

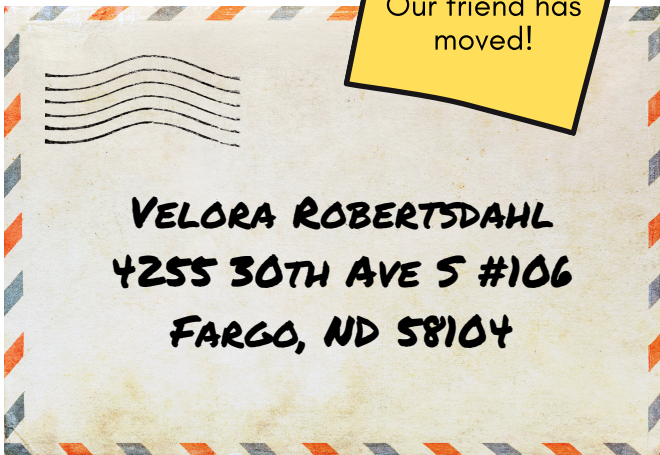
All of those who have been steadfastly serving others, whether in their personal or professional lives, during this unprecedented time of a global pandemic. Including, teachers and school administrators, the military, politicians, and community leaders.

The marriage of Kyle and Katie Giermann to take place June 24th.

## **HEALING FOR:**

All victims of COVID-19

Skip  
Pastor Joel Russell  
Sandy Olsgard  
Joe Brown  
Garrett Fenner  
Carlotta Spelhaug  
Keith Anderson  
Christa  
Sandi



## **HOPE FOR:**

An end to the global pandemic.

Our entire congregation that we would clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and unity.

Our local and national leaders that God would grant them wisdom.

Missionaries: Anne & Willie Langdji serving West Africa and the CAR.

Christians in China, Egypt, Iraq, Central African Republic and throughout the world who face persecution.

The Gideon’s ministry that doors would be opened and Scripture would be placed and God’s Word would accomplish what God sets out to do!

Citizens of Ukraine that they would find peace and safety in this time of military persecution.

## **COMFORT FOR:**

The families of those who have passed into the loving arms of Jesus Christ our Savior.

— HAPPY —  
*Retirement*

Congratulations to Sharlene Mattson on her retirement!

Hair Necessity will be closing at the end of June.





# Can you help?

## School Year 2022-2023



[www.kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/](http://www.kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/)

Complete this informational survey online, or use this paper copy! Drop it off at the church office or mail to PO Box 115.

Are you interested in serving as a classroom teacher for KLC Sunday School?

Yes  No  Maybe

If yes,

Do you have a preferred grade to teach in the 2022-2023 school year?

No, I'll teach any grade!

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

When would you prefer to teach?

Every Sunday!  Every Other Sunday  Every Other Month

When would you prefer to teach?

The entire School Year!  Sept - Dec  Jan - May

Are you interested in helping with the Kindred Kids music program?

Yes  No  Maybe

Are you interested in helping on the Kindred Kids Committee? This group oversees the Sunday School program.

Yes  No  Maybe

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Email

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

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Kindred Connections  
June/July 2022

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[admin@kindredlutheran.com](mailto:admin@kindredlutheran.com)

**Youth Director: Trish Miller**  
[trish@kindredlutheran.com](mailto:trish@kindredlutheran.com)

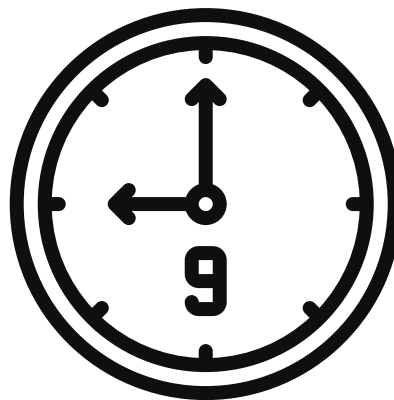
**Music Coordinator: Cheryl Rostad**

**Choir Director: LaVonne  
Nokleberg**

**Custodians: Mike & Karla Jostad**

*Have you heard?*

**SUMMER WORSHIP TIME CHANGE  
9AM IN THE SANCTUARY &  
ONLINE**



**STARTS THIS SUNDAY  
MAY 29TH**