

KINDRED CONNECTIONS

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**“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?” –
Romans 8:31**

Siblings in Christ,

We can see the end of summer. The end of hot days and weekends at the lake. The end of baseball and softball games. The end of going to swim at the pool and a rather unregulated schedule. The end of all summer activities. Now, this doesn't sound very encouraging, and truly just thinking about it as an 'end' makes this month seem sad but remember that August is also the start of something new.

One of the biggest things coming is the start of a new school year. For teachers, it means the start of a whole new class of students. For the youngest students, it might mean starting school for the first time; figuring out schedules, friends, and learning in a completely new environment. It means moving up to the next grade level or to an entirely different building. For students who have graduated and are going off to college, it means moving to a new city, having to make new friends, and moving into a new style of education. In my own life, I went through the new school year transition at least 22 times, and I can tell you that for as exciting as it can be, a new school year can also be a little stressful.

When we start something new, it can often feel like everything, and everyone, is against us in some way or another. But take heart, scripture tells us that when we trust in God there is nothing that can truly be against us. If God, who makes all things possible, is on our side then we have nothing to fear. By trusting in God, the new things are not as stressful because He guides us through. We are called to go into the 'new' trusting in God.

Now, before school starts later this month, there are a few things happening at KLC that we are excited about. The first is Vacation Bible School which runs from August 8-11 from 5:45-8:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to teach our kids about God's love for all. This year we will be specifically focusing on God's love as shown through the story of Joseph in Genesis. We hope that, if you haven't already, you will consider supporting VBS this year by volunteering to help each night or by providing some of the necessary supplies we need. After we wrap up VBS, we move right into the next exciting adventure: on August 13, during Kindred Community Days, the KLC youth will be hosting our annual burger stand. This is a great opportunity to support our wonderful youth while getting a great meal! As I am writing this, Trish is still looking for youth and adults to help with set up, tear down, and serving. Please let her know if you can help.

I am looking forward to all that is to come this month, trusting that God is with me through it all. I hope you are too!

God's Peace,
Pastor Kyle Giermann



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gathered to grow

VBS NEEDS YOU!

Aug 8th – 11th 5:45–8:00pm

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

Would you be willing to lead a games station? Who doesn't love to play games?!? Sign-up @

www.kindredlutheran.com

JOIN US THIS SUMMER FOR VBS!

August 8th–11th

We are also in need of SEVERAL volunteers Sign up today!



KINDRED DAYS BURGER STAND

Saturday, August 13th

Our Youth will be raising funds for a future retreat by grilling and serving burgers at this year's Kindred Days. Please come out and support these wonderful young people!

COMING SOON!

Please check the calendar online for updates

Youth grades 6th – 12th, you get your very own calendar of events! See page 4

SEPT 04	Sunday worship time will change to 10AM starting Memorial Day Weekend
SEPT 11	Rally Sunday! Sunday, September 11th following the church service we will join together on the lawn from 11am to 1pm for bounce houses, balloon artist, face painting, treats and more! Potluck (look for serving group assignments to come)
SEPT 18	Our first day of Sunday School will be September 18th from 9:00 am to 9:45 am. We have some fun things planned for the year and we cannot wait to see you there! Registration is now open! Please head out to kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/ to register by Wednesday, August 31st so we can prepare for another amazing year!
SEPT 25	God's Work, Our Hands Sunday will be September 25th. An opportunity for us to serve our neighbors through acts of service. If you are aware of anyone who could use our helping hands on this day, please reach out to Pastor Kyle. Chili feed afterwards!



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WELCOME!



Finely Diane Langley baptized on July 10. Daughter of Jared & Laura Langley.



Kayce Dillon Bowers baptized on July 16. Daughter of Matthew & Braidy Bowers.



Merrick Bud Schell baptized on July 17. Son of Michael & Carina Schell.

AUGUST BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- Stephanie Swanson 08/00
- Eric Swenson 08/00
- Rebecca DuBord 08/00
- Lavonne Nokleberg 08/01
- Carter Kraker 08/02
- Velora Robertsdahl 08/06
- Savanna Nesemeier 08/06
- Chase Miller 08/14
- Ava Spelhaug 08/14
- Grant Spelhaug 08/14
- Edwin Overboe, Jr. 08/15
- Melanie Kraker 08/19
- Carly Pearson 08/20
- LeAnn Toppen 08/21
- Lana Perry 08/22
- Rhett Knowlen 08/22
- Emma Ilvedson 08/23
- Alivia Hildebrand 08/26
- George Kruse 08/27
- Marilyn Blumer 08/27
- Cynthia Overboe 08/27
- James Fiesel 08/28
- Kayla Hoyme 08/29
- Debra Perhus 08/30
- Lance Nokleberg 08/30
- Liam Gray 08/30

We also welcome Reverend Kyle Giermann!

Kyle was officially installed as the Pastor of Kindred Evangelical Church on June 12th. The ceremony was officiated by Pastor Brad Skogen. God Bless you on this journey Pastor Kyle!



CONGRATULATIONS!

June 24, 2022



Katie and Kyle celebrated their marriage with a very sweet ceremony at Katie's hometown church in Hillsboro, ND. The ceremony was full of laughter and tears as the couple became husband and wife.



youth



KLC Burger Stand

Saturday August 13th

Youth & Parent Volunteers Needed!



[Click here](#)
or
Scan to sign-up

Volunteer Hours can count towards fundraising for 2024 Youth Gathering in New Orleans
Contact Trish@kindredlutheran.com with questions

Coming Soon

Sept 7th	Orientation meeting with 7th, 8th (6pm) and 9th grade (7pm)	Registration is now open! Please head out to kindredlutheran.com/youth/ to register by August 31st
Sept 21st	7th & 8th Grade Confirmation classes begin (4:15-5:15pm)	
Sundays, start date TBD	9th Grade Confirmation classes begin (9am)	

Rally Sunday on a Saturday Night!
Sept 10th - All Youth grades 7-12 are invited to join our Rally Sunday on a Saturday Night outdoor movie. Time and movie to be announced!



Camp Castaway Announcement
Retreat for grades 6-10
Contact Trish for more registration information
Cost \$175 per person
Dates: Sept 16-18





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SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR VBS

In order to keep our summer Vacation Bible School free of charge to students, we need your help with supplies. Snacks, drinks, crafts, games, and more! Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to see the list and sign-up. VBS starts August 8th. Please call Erin Kub or the church office with questions.



TEACHERS

Parents, students, retirees - we need you to make this Sunday school year a success! Please complete the informational survey located at kindredlutheran.com/kindred-kids/ to volunteer to help with our Kindred Kids program. If you are able to help for a portion of the year, every other month or even just to sub please let us know so that we can plan accordingly. If you prefer to reach out directly you can call or text Kelly Engstrom at 701-793-0284 or email kindredkids@kindredlutheran.com.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

It takes many hands to make our Sunday services possible. Would you prayerfully consider serving one month during this upcoming year? Facilitate our fellowship time by bringing goodies and making coffee. Help in the worship service by greeting people at the door, assist with the offering and communion, ring the bell (it's fun!) and help keep our space tidy. Sign-up in the narthex or call the office!



FOOD PANTRY



Our building houses the Kindred Area Food Pantry which is currently looking for donations of non-perishable foods. There is a collection box at Hawk's Market, you can drop-off during church office hours, and/or the kids will be collecting donations during the VBS program this year. Items requested include: canned fruit, chili beans, boxed rice, canned soup, canned tuna/chicken, cereal, muffin mix, taco/chili seasoning, canned ravioli/spaghettios, mac & cheese, and ramen noodles.



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LIRS

The Long Welcome

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) welcomes newcomers who seek safety, support, and a share in the American dream.

In collaboration with partners across the country, we run programs in three core areas: Children and Family Services, Asylum Services, and Resettlement and Integration Services.

Learn more about how your congregation can get involved with LIRS throughout the year at LIRS.org/Lutheran2022

It's a new dawn in America for immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and all those who stand for freedom. Together, we can recreate an America that welcomes families and vulnerable children with open arms and knows we're better and stronger because of it.



A PLACE TO CALL HOME



As the largest faith-based national nonprofit dedicated to refugee resettlement and immigration, LIRS has helped over half a million immigrants and refugees rebuild their lives in America. And with over 80 years of experience transforming lives for the better, LIRS earned a 100% rating from Charity Navigator.



LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICE
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877-291-7061 • LIRS.org



ANNUAL Community Picnic

Thursday, August 11th
5:30-7:30
Gooseberry Park - Large shelter

free food
live music
yard games
and more!

Let's Celebrate Hickson Lutheran Church 150th Anniversary Celebration *Est. 1872*



- 28** BISHOP TESSA MOON LEISETH
August 28 at 10:00 am
- 11** PASTOR RON LANDE
September 11 at 10:00 am
- 9** PASTOR SARAH LARSEN TADÉ
October 9 at 10:00 am
- 13** PASTOR RICH KRAMER
November 13 at 10:00 am

JOIN US FOR POTLUCK FOLLOWING EACH SERVICE!

Hickson, ND
Pastor Karin Moberg

Kindred Connections

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Ilvedson family and the Men's Ham Dinner group for the beautiful new chairs in our Fellowship Hall! And big thanks also to those who planned and completed this project, including Gerry Hoyme & family, Leah Lundquist & family, Vicki Thompson, and Susie Mathias.

YOUR CHURCH!

Financial Giving to the General Fund:
Annual Budget \$222,287, Received in 2022 \$85,650
Needed Each Month \$18,524, Given in June/July \$9,139



council notes

Kindred Lutheran Church - Council Meeting June 8th, 2022

Called to Order by: Lisa at 6:37 pm. Present: Pastor Kyle, Lisa, Rich, Lloyd, Susie, Kathryn, & Michele. Absent: Gene

Motion to approve agenda, unanimously approved. Motion made by Susie at 7:00pm to go out of order to discuss Streaming Services as presented by Craig Hertsgaard. Seconded by Rich, motion approved. (See minutes below under New Business)

Secretary's Report/Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve April Minutes by Rich, seconded by Lloyd. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report / Approval of Report:

Lenten Services, Love, and Lenten soup & sandwich offerings from the Lenten season were all up significantly. We had a few extra expenses for Pastor interviews. We added a Fellowship Chair Fund and Parsonage Remodel Fund. Accounting services are working great, and giving us a quarterly report. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Rich, seconded by Kathryn. Motion approved.

Pastor's Report:

- Has had 2 home visits (would like to do more and is awaiting homebound list from Stephen's Ministry), and has had many visitors stop by the church too. Have had 1 Baptism and 4 more scheduled for this summer (2 private, 2 in service). Burial scheduled for August 12, for Ron Golberg, (grew up a member of KLC and ordained here August 17, 1960).
- Finished Confirmation for the year. Over the summer Trish and Pastor will go over the curriculum for next year.
- Worship attendance has dropped during the summer (may look at trying a different time/day/outdoor services next summer).
- "RightNow" media contacted Pastor about using "Netflix for Churches" videos for \$79.99/month and all members would be able to use it. Pastor has used it in previous churches, but we will table the idea for later.
- The Eastern ND Synod Assembly weekend was very informational. The Synod requests that all Congregations increase their giving to the Synod by \$500 because there are shortages that this increase would cure. Crossroads Ministry, the ELCA campus ministry at NDSU mentioned that a \$1,000 donation from every Congregation each year would fully fund their Ministry each year. A Resolution was passed for the 2023 Synod Compensation Guidelines-the Synod will put out the official passed guidelines after the Churchwide approves them. A Resolution was passed to encourage all Congregations to be truly welcoming communities for all and to commit to having someone monitor the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service Website and to commit at least one donation to LIRS or another refugee resettlement program within the year and to partner and volunteer with one of those programs.

Updates from Directors

1. Faith Formation & Growth:

- Meeting with Pastor about all committees.
- Prayer garden landscaping will be done later this summer- hoping to have a large rock to say "Kindred Lutheran Church 1887".
- The Missions committee will convene in the fall.
- Communion helpers are needed.
- Chairs Fund-got a \$4,000 donation from Clothes Mentor and \$1,400 from Men's Ham Dinner

2. Social Ministry & Outreach:

- Meeting with Sunday School leaders for the Fall.
- Trish has Camp Castaway release dates.
- Talked about possible outdoor movie nights-need a license to use copyright movies legally. Motion to spend approx \$250 for the license motioned by Kathryn, seconded by Rich, motion approved.
- Burger stand-signup for Kindred Days-committee can purchase a canopy tent for the stand.
- VBS Aug 8-11: signup is low but still early.



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Kindred Lutheran Church - Council Meeting June 8th, 2022

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Old Business

- Parsonage: -Parsonage-update provided in the May Newsletter. Handy Randy's will be performing repairs. Estimated cost of repair is more than insurance has currently agreed to pay. Contributions to this include the replacement of countertops and having to redo upper cabinet doors so they match the new lower cabinets which are considered upgrades. Lloyd submitted a breakdown of costs from the contractor to insurance, Church Mutual, to see if they will increase the amount they are paying KLC.
- Lawn care- hired Justin Mitchell after receiving several quotes.
- Choir doors-are back on but need a bottom part to stop.

New Business

- Streaming Services- Craig Hertsgaard joined. First time streamed was the Christmas Program of 2019, due to Covid it was very important to continue. Finding equipment during the pandemic was difficult as everyone was looking for items. It was a lot of extra work in the beginning but has improved immensely. Sound is VERY important (80% importance) and the sound system was rigged very well. Viewers have declined since services have returned in person but we're still reaching people so it's a valued tool. Scott has been a valuable asset to getting everything working. The youth helping to run the powerpoint was very important without bulletins. No costs to streaming the service via Facebook (had been blocked in the past due to copyright music, but have gotten a license to allow us to use songs for performances) Some churches use private websites, not just using Facebook. Looking forward we will try to not use Facebook solely but have it on our webpage to view the videos. Powerpoint takes more time to develop for services, streaming is the easier part. Volunteers needed to do powerpoint. Have a signup sheet on our website and will look into worship expectations for confirmation students and may have this be one of the duties. Could use more lighting (old ones were replaced but more are needed), shades are used on windows and attributing to the darkness. A while back, Dakota Hills gave a \$3200 estimate for 9 LED spot lights on the ceiling and a control on the wall.
- Cleaning the church (spring/fall deep cleaning) suggestions by Mike & Karla for an approximate extra 40 hours.
- Pulpit Supply 7/3- Pastor Ernie, 6/26- still needed
- Bulletins- Pastor made samples to show us, and will try different styles this summer to see which works best.
- Offering envelopes in pews-will use generic ones (have some to put in pews)

Motion to adjourn by Lloyd, Seconded by Rich. Motion approved.

Adjourned at 9:10pm

KLC Council Members and Terms:

2023-1 Gene Thompson	2023-3 Lisa Hosman-Davis	2024-2 Lloyd Hoffarth
2024-2 Susie Mathias	2023-3 Rich Schock	2024-2 Kathryn Gray
		2025-1 Michele Hillman



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 that took 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.

Did you know?

KLC Prayer Chain

If you have a private prayer request, please call Pastor Kyle (429-1413) and he will communicate with our list of prayer warriors on your behalf.

LORD, may You show _____ Your ways and teach him/her Your paths. May You guide _____ in Your truth and teach him/her. May You be _____'s God, his/her Savior, and may his/her hope be in You all day long.

From Psalm 25:4-5



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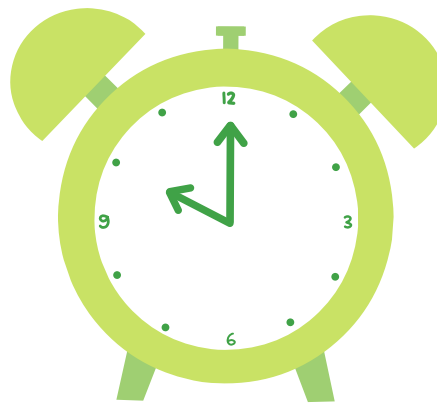
Music Coordinator: Cheryl Rostad

**Choir Director: LaVonne
Nokleberg**

Custodians: Mike & Karla Jostad

Have you heard?

**WORSHIP TIME CHANGE
10AM IN THE SANCTUARY &
ONLINE**



**STARTS LABOR DAY WEEKEND
SEPT 4TH**