



SCANDIAN GROVE LUTHERAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER



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May 2023

Striving to Live, Love, Serve, all for the Glory of God.

The National Day of Prayer is an annual day of observance held on the first Thursday of May, designated by the United States Congress, when people are asked "to turn to God in prayer and meditation." The president is required by law to sign a proclamation each year, encouraging all Americans to pray on this day. This year's observance on Thursday, May 4 pulls the theme from **JAMES 5:16** -



"Pray fervently in righteousness and avail much."

More information can be found by visiting: https://www.nationaldayofprayer.org/2023_theme

Calling all kids
Pre-K to 6th grade!
It's almost time for
Vacation Bible School!



Like last year we will be partnering with Trinity and St. Paul's in Gaylord, but this year we invited **Green Lake Bible Camp** to come and lead Vacation Bible School. VBS will be held on

Monday, July 10

through

Thursday, July 13

in Gaylord at the City Park and St. Paul's from 3:00 to 6:00pm.

On Thursday at 6:00pm there will be a family meal followed by the VBS program at 7:00pm. If interested please fill out a registration form found in the narthex and make checks payable to Green Lake Lutheran Bible Camp, then please return these items to Emily Kleppe by Sunday, May 28. The cost of camp is \$40 per child but if cost is a barrier, scholarships are available so that every kid can go to camp. You can talk to Pastor Matthew confidentially about scholarships.

All are welcome!

Kinship Radio

presents their 14th Annual
"A Day For Women"
on Saturday, May 6, 2023

at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato

This year's Keynote guest is:
Angela Thomas-Pharr, author of

**REDEEMED: GRACE TO LIVE EVERY DAY
BETTER THAN BEFORE**

She is a gifted teacher and story-teller speaking to thousands each year.

We are also welcoming back
Kiersten King as our special speaker!

There will be music, ministry, lunch, and mini-sessions.

Space is limited so call 507-526-3233
or go online to KinshipRadio.org

**Registration began on
Monday, March 27 at 8:00am**

Cost: \$40

Additional info is posted on the bulletin board or the website.

G.I.F.T. Sunday



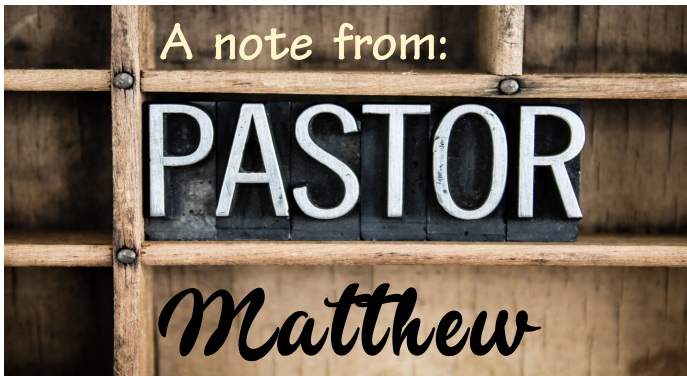
Hello everyone! The next G.I.F.T. Sunday will be on **May 28** at Trinity Sibley at 9:30am. **That day is Pentecost so please wear red!**

After church we will be having a picnic and pork chops will be served and brought to you by Brickhouse Meats of Gaylord.

Come experience worship & fun for the whole family!

For G.I.F.T. Sundays, loose offerings will be given to the church hosting while designated offerings will go to the church it is designated to.

**Generations
In Faith Together**



A Father Who Can Be Trusted

By Pastor Matthew Garavalia

In Guatemala and parts of Mexico, they have something called a worry doll. These very small dolls, usually less than two inches high, are made of wire and cloth and are given to children as “friends” with whom they can share their worries and fears. The dolls are said to be rooted in Mayan folklore which tells of the sun god giving a princess a gift to help her face her fears. Mostly tourists buy the dolls today. Some child psychologists use a similar approach to a

child’s anxiety, offering a doll to a child as an imaginary friend to whom they can tell their dark secrets.

It starts early, this anxiety we have for tomorrow. Our fear of the future can paralyze us in the present, leaving us burdened or even immobilized. We are among the most anxious and medicated nations on earth. We worry about having enough money, our health, our appearance, our relationships, our jobs and just about everything else. We can even worry about whether we should be worried or not.

People in Jesus’ day could get anxious about the future, too. Their anxieties were more basic than most of ours. But they followed the same line. Their fears drove them to imagine the worst.

In the teachings of Jesus, fear is often the enemy of faith. One would expect it to be doubt, but it is often fear. So, for instance, when his disciples panic as a storm comes up over Lake Galilee, he asks them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” So when Jesus addresses our anxieties, it’s not surprising that he makes it an issue of faith. He has us look to God’s creation, how God takes care of the birds of the air and the lilies and grass of the field. If God the Creator cares for the birds and lilies and grass he has created, how much more will God, our heavenly Father, care for us, his children.

So Jesus is telling us that the antidote to worry and anxiety is trust in God’s proven love for us. He is not saying that bad things won’t happen to us, nor is he saying that we can sit back and wait to be fed like some Elijah in the desert. This is no permission to give up working for what we eat or to stop praying for what we need. This is Jesus saying that trust in God’s prevailing, persistent love displaces anxiety. No wonder the apostle Paul can write, “*Don’t be anxious about anything, but by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.*” Acts of trust like prayer and thanksgiving displace worry.

And there is more. Jesus says that we are to “*seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*” To “*seek first the kingdom*” is to value our relationship with our heavenly Father over everything else. It is to love the Lord most deeply. To seek “*his righteousness*” is to delight in and follow the Lord’s will wholeheartedly.

So I don’t know about you, but it is somehow less overwhelming to hear Jesus’ call to trust as we strive to live close to the Cross. Under the cross, close to his dying, we can hear his whispers and shouts. And at the end of his suffering, we can hear him say, “*Father into your hands I commend my spirit.*” In dying he falls asleep in his Father’s arms, entrusting tomorrow and the next day to his providence. It may seem like an ending. It may seem like tomorrow has arrived and the worst has happened. Not so fast, though. Here at the cross the Father is listening, caring and still providing for his beloved Son and for us, his beloved children. Oh, yes, this is a Father who can be trusted. So we can put down our worry dolls and rest in his love. *Amen.*



Pastor will be *gone from* Monday, May 15 through Thursday, May 18.

Contact Gary or Anna if pastoral services are required during that time and they will connect you to a Pastor on call.

PASTOR’S WEEKLY

Church Office Hours & Day Off

Wednesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday: Pastor’s Sabbath Day (day-off)

Should the necessity for pastoral care arise, please contact Anna Lokensgard or Gary Miller.



Scandian Grove Lutheran Church Council Minutes

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Members Present

Jay Hanson, Collin Johnson, Joni Anderson, Theresa Bjorklund, David Hermanson, Dick Kinkeade, Gary Miller, Heidi Scheurer, Rhonda Hermanson, Pam Rogich, and Pastor Matthew Garavalia

Excused Jeff Allerson

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm by President Gary Miller

Devotions by Pastor Matthew "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

Secretary's Report

Rhonda motioned to approve the March minutes, seconded by Dick and carried.

Financial Secretary's Report for March

Collin reviewed the report for the group. Pam motioned to approve this report, seconded by Jay and carried.

Savings Account Balance as of 3/31/23

Family Medical Fund Balance:	\$4,944.56
Improvement Fund Balance:	6,504.06
Memorial Fund Balance:	6,131.94
Scholarship Fund Balance:	7,272.76

Treasurers Report

Beginning Balance: (3/1/23)	\$9,138.02
Total Deposits:	13,053.77
<u>Total Expenses:</u>	<u>-\$22,040.68</u>
Checking Balance:	\$151.11
+Sunday School Fund:	562.42
Ending Balance: (3/31/23)	\$713.53

Treasurer's Report

David reviewed the report for the group. Pam motioned to approve this report, seconded by Heidi and carried.

Memorial Money discussed, was tabled for a future meeting to further discuss how to best utilize when appropriate. Pam motioned to purchase the laptop out of memorial money, seconded by Dick and carried.

Committee Reports

PROPERTY

Handrail - The recommendation has been made to put a handrail to support those stepping onto the alter platform. Charles Johnson is looking into options.

Suggestions for **Property Clean-Up Date:** Saturday, April 22 with a back up date of Saturday, April 29. 9:00am start-time. Property Committee to take the lead.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Keyboard Update- A keyboard has been purchased and it was used at the recent Lamb Supper. A storage spot is in the process of being chosen.

Music Copyright – One License acquisition is being worked on by Marie E and Vicki H. Having this license would protect SGLC from copyright infringement when using songs within services and on video.

Lent/Holy Week – Thanks to all who worked to prepare for the very special events; it was a wonderful celebration!

EDUCATION

Green Lake VBS – St Paul's Gaylord turn to take the lead – July 10-13. Registration Information is available in the narthex. Visioning Committee of St Paul's, Trinity and SGLC will be discussing VBS specifics. Watch for additional information.

TECHNOLOGY

Laptop – A church owned laptop was picked out with the oversight of the IT Committee. It will be utilized by Scandian Grove Pastoral Staff. MacBook Aire

Fellowship Hall Microphone - Controls for the sound system for the fellowship hall seem to need some tweaking so that it works properly. Dick to do more troubleshooting and will seek support when needed.

MISSIONS

"The Kitchen" – Scandian Grove prepared and served 79 meals on Monday, April 3 at "The Kitch-

en.” Thirty two people volunteered and contributed toward the meal – Thanks to ALL. Joni A. has taken the Food Safety Course as a leader for Scandian Grove.

Food Safety – Heidi S. printed a hand out from the State Website regarding Food Safety. It was proposed that this be an education topic for after church coffee time. This education time will reinforce Food Safety guidelines necessary for all Congregation members to be aware of to keep members healthy. Spring/Fall presentations will be given during coffee times; first Sunday in May and in October. Heidi S. is trained and has agreed to make the presentations.

EVANGELISM & SOCIAL MINISTRY

Visitation Team – Seminary Student, Jill Norell and Pastor Matthew will give a presentation at the next GIFT Sunday on the details of this teams duties.

GIFT Sunday Update will be hosted by St Paul’s on Sunday, April 16; there will be no service at SGLC.

PASTOR’S REPORT

Pastor Matthew reviewed the many activities and tasks he has been involved in throughout the month.

Old Business

Constitution – The Constitution Committee continues to meet and has completed the first review of the document. Input from the Synod Representative will be sought and recommendations for updates will be presented to the Church Council for approval. The updated proposed copies of the SGLC Constitution will be made available to the SGLC members for review and voted upon at the 2024 Annual Meeting.

New Members – Continue to welcome new members by putting together a brief “information sheet.” Theresa and Anna L will work to combine the information that is needed for SGLC/Synod records and what might be of interest for the new members to share. A new member bulletin board will be created and will include photos and additional information.

All Committee Meetings – Discussion regarding the importance of All Committee Sunday(s) to help Committee members discuss Committee duties and set goals to move forward. Dates TBD.

March Food Shelf – Thanks to all who contributed to this drive; the response was significant. Totals continue to be determined.

Mowing Bids – One bid for church and park mowing was received for \$147 per time. Rhonda motioned to accept the bid of Kazuko Larson, Dick seconded motion and carried.

New Business

Scandian Grove Attendance Numbers have been trending in line with pre-pandemic numbers. Congratulations to ALL who have helped to make our church welcoming, services memorable and increased attendance a reality!

Training on Defibrillator use to be done by a trained expert at a later date. The possibility/reality of CPR training was also considered. Tabled.

Undesignated Memorial Fund Use – If funds are not designated, the Council may decide how to utilize the donation.

Council Retreat – A Council Retreat was discussed and it was decided it would be a beneficial opportunity. Possible topics to be included: Goal Setting, Wish Lists, Constitution Review, Grow as Spiritual Leaders. Late summer/early Fall in 2023 – Half Day, then after Annual Meeting in 2024 with new Council Members.

Fellowship Hall Quilt Rack – Two young women were asked to make a seasonal quilt for the Fellowship Hall Quilt Rack; they seemed interested. This quilt could be used along with others that people are willing to display.

Pictures From Library – are being worked on and will be put into an album.

Undesignated Coffee Fellowship – donations may be used for the topic of choice of the person/group serving.

Adjournment

Dick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm, seconded by Heidi and carried.

Next Meeting

On Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 6:30pm hosted by David Hermanson.

Communion Assistants for May are Rhonda Hermanson and Heidi Scheurer.

Respectfully submitted, Theresa Bjorklund, Church Council Secretary

We extend our Christian Sympathy to the family and friends of Janet (Jim) Allerson whose brother **Thomas Nothwehr** passed away on Saturday, March 25, 2023. He was buried at Fort Snelling on Thursday, April 13, 2023. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2023. Janet and family, we share in your grief and sadness at the passing of your brother!



“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.” Matthew 5:4

Remember in prayer...

We pray for those who are having difficulties in their relationships, the lonely, neglected, hungry, and those financially strained, those fighting anxiety and depression, recuperation from illness and surgeries, those grieving the loss of a loved one, and those serving in the military along with their families still at home. Lord, hear our prayers. Amen.

The women of
Trinity Lutheran Church of St. Peter
 are hosting a

SPRING

Fling

Brunch
 on Saturday, May 6

Cost: \$10.....

BUT YOU MUST RSVP BY SUNDAY, APRIL 30!

See the bulletin board in the Narthex for more information.

Last Day Of Sunday School!

The last day will be **Sunday, May 21.**

Thank you to all leaders, parents, and children for your participation this year.

Have a GREAT summer!

We look forward to seeing you back here in September.

INFORMATION NEEDED

The Church Council would like to recognize members of our church family who have accomplished **EDUCATION MILESTONES** this year. If you have some news about a high school or post-secondary graduate, please submit the details to secretarysglc@gmail.com by **Sunday, May 14!**

Info to include: First & last name, school, degree, program or field of study, and their future plans.

Lay Ministry Care Team

Lay Ministry Care Teams are forming. These ministry care teams will provide home visits in collaboration with Pastor. The intention is to expand on the ministry services available to our congregation members. *It will consist of Home Visits, Phone Visits, Communion, and Prayers. If you have the gift for visiting, please consider answering a call to use this gift for our friends and neighbors in need. **What an awesome way to follow in the footsteps of our Lord.*** Contact Pastor for additional details.

MAY BIRTHDAYS			
1	Daisy Johnson	18	Jodi Bushman
	Lily Johnson	20	Arik Lokensgard
7	Sarah Bjorklund		Meagan Speiss
8	Tom Hanson	22	Gail Norell
	Tyler Hanson	24	Merlin Myhra
10	Andrew Hermanson		Sydney Schott
11	Marty Schott	27	Marilyn Bjorklund
12	Marshall Bye		Anne Marie Grimmus
15	Beth Kinkeade	28	Kelsey Anderson
16	Tammy Fjermstad	29	Elna Rodning

A sincere thank you to everyone who sent cards or expressed any words of kindness following the death of my brother. It was so much appreciated. Blessings to all.



Janet Allerson

There is an urgent need for Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers in the City of St. Peter, Monday through Friday. Delivery routes usually start at 11:00am and will take about 45 minutes to an hour long in St. Peter. We offer contact-less delivery (meaning you knock and leave the meal and then walk away to see if they pick up the meal). More info on the bulletin board. If interested in volunteering, contact the Site Coordinator in St. Peter at (507) 934-8850.

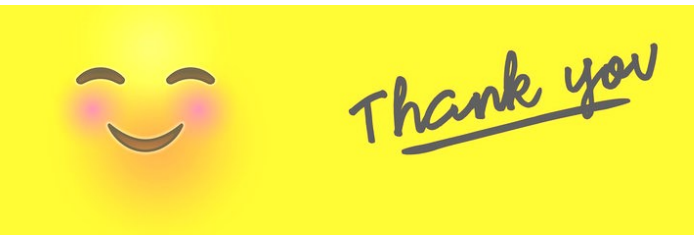
**WANTED
VOLUNTEER
DRIVERS**

**A meal, and
so much more.**



WE ARE
Meals On Wheels
So no senior goes hungry.

*Thank you!
You make a difference.*



Thanks to all that donated food, prepared it, served, and helped us clean up at "The Kitchen" on Monday, April 3, 2023.

We look forward to our next meal on Monday, July 17, 2023. Thanks again! Joni

Sharing Is Caring!

The month of March produced much needed groceries for the area Food Shelves. Abundant blessing to all who gave generously from your heart!



Host Families Needed for 2023-2024 School Year

Greetings,

My name is Valeria, and I am a local coordinator for *International Cultural Exchange Services*. This school year, I have one student at St. Peter High School named David, and he is absolutely thriving. Since he came to St. Peter in August '22, the community has embraced him and given him the best exchange year imaginable. Because of this, I would love to find other host families in or around your community that would be open to giving another student this opportunity next year.

I currently have four students that would really love to come to Minnesota for the 2023/24 school year; Marta from *Spain*, Agostno from *Italy*, Luisa from *Germany*, and Kibeum from *South Korea*. All four students are very involved in church and youth groups in their local communities, and would like to find a host family that is part of a church community as well.

Please share this email with your church congregation to help find host families.

As a thank you, we do have a referral program, which would give \$250 back to your church, for each host family referral. If you would like to sign-up for the referral program please let me know.

I can supply more detailed information on the four students by asking Bonnie Rieger to email you the attachments I have provided her with my letter.

Host families do not need to have a high school student to host. All family dynamics are welcome! Empty nesters, families with younger children, and single parents all make wonderful host families. The goal of our program is to promote diversity, and we appreciate diversity in host families as well!

Host families need to have a spare room (can share with same gender between 12-17), and the willingness to open their hearts and home! Hosting is a fun experience for all family members, and they gain a new family member from thousands of miles away. It is great way to learn about another country and culture firsthand, while sharing American culture. Hosting is an amazing and unforgettable experience.

All four students speak excellent English, have their own health insurance, spending money, allowance, and have local support and guidance!

To find out more information on how you can help, I can be reached by phone at 651-245-4877 or by email at: vlindberg@icesusa.org

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Valeria Lindberg
ICES Regional Administrator



	<u>May 2023</u>	<u>June 2023</u>
ALTAR GUILD	Rhonda Hermanson	Judy Schultz
READERS	Don Hermanson	Maria Lokensgard
USHERS	Wallace & Kazuko Larson	Norm & Joanne Wolf
COUNCIL COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Rhonda Hermanson Heidi Scheurer	Jay Hanson Heidi Scheurer
COUNCIL HOST	Dave Hermanson	Jay Hanson

Our Easter Lily Garden on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

Lilies on the altar for Easter morning were given in memory or in honor of loved ones.
Families took their lilies home after the worship service.

In memory of our parents Elroy & Laura Webster

In memory of Carolyn Webster

In memory of Edmund & Irelene Allerson, Walter Schultz, and Herb & Cora Sjostrom

In honor of Elaine & in memory of Carroll Hermanson

In memory of Maurice & Margaret Norell

In memory of Vern & Ardis Rossing

In memory of Carroll Hermanson

In memory of Allan Scott, Paul & Lois Bjorklund

In memory of Oscar & Marian Rodning

In memory of Steven Jonason & Gracie

In memory of Erwood & Jeri Jonason, and George & Joy Rogich

In memory of Tom & Mary Wendelschafer & Ryan

In memory of Ernest & Francis Jonason, and Ed & Rette Arthur

In memory of Glen & Majorie Jonason, and Steve Jonason

In memory of Michael, Micah, Carroll & Robert, and in honor of Michelle, Zachary, Ryan, Elaine, & Donna

In memory of Hubert & Frankie Anderson

In memory of Don & Betty Sipprell

In memory of Jerry & Hazel Johnson

In memory of Tammy and Craig Johnson

In memory of Willis, Linnea, David, & Don Lind, and Denny Nygard

In memory of Robert and Corinne Johnson

In memory of Bill & Carol Tostenson

In honor of the Engel Family

In memory of Paul & Lois Bjorklund and Burt & Janet Hoffmann

In honor of our children and grandchildren

Given by Bernie & Bea Roscoe

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Given by Doug & Judy Schultz

Given by Scott Hermanson

Given by Byron & Jill Norell

Given by Byron & Jill Norell

Given by Elaine Hermanson

Given by Dale & Tracie Bjorklund

Given by Gordy & Jackie Rodning

Given by Jeremy & Heather Jonason and Nicole

Given by Pam & George Rogich & Family

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Given by Dave & Vicki Hermanson

Given by Neal & Joni Anderson

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Given by Their Family

Given by Collin, Luran, and Eric & Ally

Given by Marian Nygard, Marlene Lind, and Tom & Margaret Blackburn,

Given by Beth & Dick Kinkeade

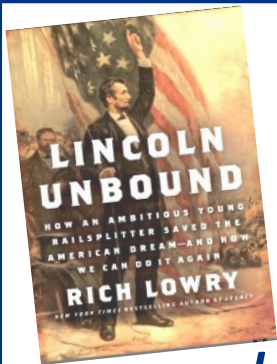
Given by Their Family

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Given by Wayne & Theresa Bjorklund

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Scandian Grove's **Book Club**

invites you to
read & discuss on

**Sunday, May 21
at 4:00pm**

Lincoln Unbound:

***How An Ambitious Young Railsplitter
Saved The American Dream***

By Rich Lowry

Hosted by Judy & Doug Schultz
Doug will be leading our discussion

“Lincoln Unbound is considered a thoughtful mix of history and politics from Rich Lowry, the New York Times bestselling author and editor of National Review, which traces Abraham Lincoln’s ambitious climb from a provincial upstart to the political powerhouse. Revered across the political spectrum, President Lincoln believed in a small but active government in a nation defined by aspiration. He embraced the market and the amazing transportation and communications revolutions beginning to take hold. He helped give birth to the modern industrial economy. Lincoln’s vision of an upwardly mobile society that rewards and supports individual striving was wondrously realized.”

Good Reads

In **June** we will be discussing...

#1 New York Times Bestseller

Being Mortal:

Medicine and What Matters In The End

by Atul Gawande

Just an FYI

The **National Lutheran Choir** will perform a **HYMN FESTIVAL: *God Has Called Us*** on **Friday, May 5** at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Bloomington. The event starts at 7:30pm.

Along with David Cherwien’s leadership came his experience and love for the hymn festival which, when combined with the National Lutheran Choir, became a unique communal singing event that has grown into a signature experience for our choristers and audiences alike. This hymn festival will feature many selections for congregational singing.

Lead From God’s Pencil *by the Editor*



Have you ever been told by someone that they thought you were lost?

While I was growing up, Ma and dad told me this on three different occasions.

The **FIRST TIME** I was around five years old and it was outside the downtown JC Penney’s store in Mankato. Inside the entry way, was a gum ball machine and I wanted one, but ma told me “no!” and then everyone went into the store except me. So, I pitched a fit and decided to stand there until they came back out; then I’d ask again, which I was sure I’d get one then. It went quite awhile and nobody came out to get me or to leave and go to another store. I was tired of standing there, so I went in and looked all over, both upstairs and down stairs and didn’t see any of my family. I assumed that they must have gone to the car, and I had missed them while I was in the store looking for them. I decided I’d go back to the car to see if they were there, and if they weren’t, I’d just wait there for them. I walked a few blocks but didn’t see the parking lot where we had parked. I was standing at the corner looking around when two high school girls asked me if I was “lost.” I told them “no,” but I had lost my family. They wanted to know which way I had come from and I pointed in the direction I had come from. They each took my hand and we started walking. It was busy on the sidewalk with lots of people, but not any of them were my family. The one girl asked if I wanted a horse back ride so I could get higher and look farther ahead. I agreed since I was pretty tired of walking, and finally we got back to the block where the store was. Surprisingly there outside the store stood dad waiting/looking for me. He thanked the girls over and over again and gave them some money for bringing me back. I never thought I was lost, but Ma and dad thought I was. I didn’t get in trouble and of course I never got that gum ball either. Later dad asked me how I crossed the streets, I told him I crossed the street when the light turned green and I crossed with all the other people when they crossed the street.

The **SECOND TIME** was when we were on a trip out west and we stopped at Devils Tower in Wyoming. We had been driving for what seemed like hours, so when we stopped I had asked ma if I could run around the tower. Her reply was “now run.” So I did! I couldn’t run the whole way, but I did walk really fast some of the way. I figured I could make a fast trip around the tower before everyone got out of the car and started out to go around the tower themselves. I knew I’d be able to make it around and then keep going around again until I caught up to everyone, that way I could go around the tower twice! Well, it didn’t work out the way I thought. Uncle Harold was sitting on a tree limb near the end of the path and dad was waiting by the car for me. Neither of those two got to walk around the tower that day because of me being “lost.”










The **THIRD TIME** was at a Billy Graham crusade up in the cities. Once Billy had finished preaching, he always invited people to come down to the front. I had asked ma if I could go down front and she said I could. So down the steps onto the field I went. I thought I’d be receiving communion, but all I got handed to me was a pamphlet. Not what I was expecting, so I turned around and headed back to the steps where I got onto the field. Ma was just coming down the steps and I told her I just got a pamphlet and we could go back to where dad was waiting, which we did. Once back to our seats, dad said to ma, “you found her!”

Not once did I think, or feel like I was lost at any of those places. I knew exactly where I was, but ma and dad felt like I was lost to them. So my question is, was I lost in God’s eyes? I don’t believe so, because it says in 2 PETER 3:9, “*God is being patient with you. He does not want anyone to be lost. . .*”

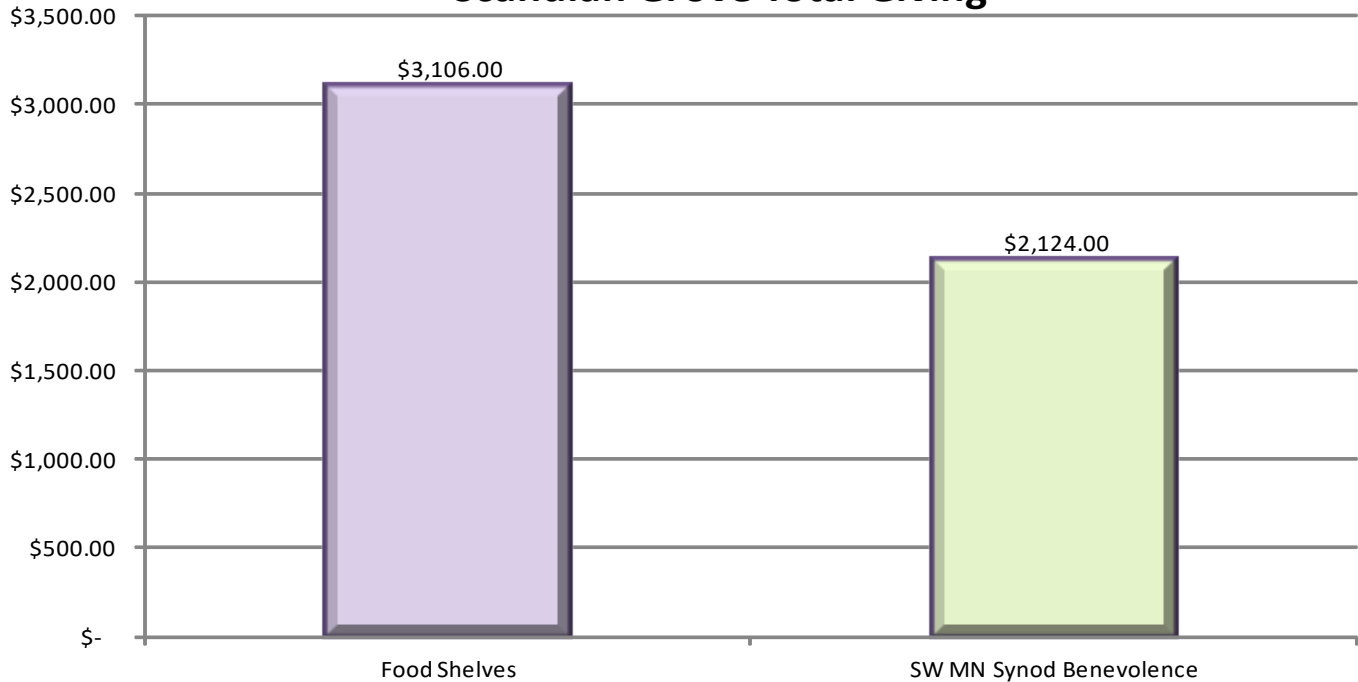
Thinking about these times, I must have been ma and dad’s worst nightmare back then! I’m sorry ma and dad if this was the case! Until next month, God’s Peace & Joy! Bonnie Page 9

Scandian Grove Lutheran Church Calendar

May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 May Day Church Reserved 	2	3 9:00am to 5:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 7:00pm Sr Choir Practice	4 National Day of Prayer 	5 Cinco de Mayo 7:30pm National Lutheran Choir Hymn Festival at St Michael Lutheran, Bloomington Pastor's Day Off 	6 "A Day for Women" Conference at Hosanna Lutheran, Mankato "Spring Fling Brunch" at Trinity Lutheran, St. Peter
7 8:30am Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service w/Holy Communion 10:00am KNUJ "A New Day"	8 9:00am Quilting	9 6:30pm Church Council	10 9:00am to 5:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 7:00pm Sr Choir Practice	11	12 Pastor's Day Off	13
14 Mother's Day 8:30am Adult Forum 9:30am Worship Service 10:30am to 3:00pm Fellowship Hall Reserved 10:00am KNUJ "A New Day" 3:00pm Norseland 4-H Mtg Graduates' Info Due to Anna 	15 9:00am Quilting Newsletter Deadline Don't Miss the 	16	17 9:00am to 5:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 7:00pm Sr Choir Practice	18 Ascension Day 	19 Pastor's Day Off	20 9:00am Quilting
21 Food Shelf Sunday 8:30am Last day of Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service w/Holy Communion 10:00am KNUJ "A New Day" 4:00pm Book Club hosted by Doug & Judy Schultz	22 9:00am Quilting	23	24 9:00am to 5:00pm Pastor's Office Hours	25	26 Pastor's Day Off	27
28 Pentecost Sunday G.I.F.T. Sunday at Trinity Sibley Wear red! 9:30am NO Worship at SGLC 10:00am KNUJ "A New Day"	29 Memorial Day Worship Service & Dinner 	30	31			

Scandian Grove Total Giving



Total benevolence giving thru March 31, 2023--\$5,230.00

Financial Report-March 2023

Fund	General Checking Fund Beginning Balance Less Historical/Choir Music/ Keyboard	Deposits/Transfers/ Increases	Expenditures/Transfers/ Decreases	General Checking Fund Ending Balance Less Historical/ Choir Music/Keyboard
General/Checking Fund-\$9,138.02	6,538.02	13,053.77	20,429.73	(837.94)
Checking/Pastor's Stole	100.00	-	-	100.00
Checking/Keyboard	2,000.00	-	1,610.95	389.05
Checking/Sunday School Funds	472.42	90.00	-	562.42
Checking/Historical Bldg. Upkeep	500.00	-	-	500.00
TOTAL CHECKING/SUNDAY SCHOOL	9,610.44	13,143.77	22,040.68	713.53
Credit Line	-	-	-	-
Family Medical Savings Account	4,683.87	260.69	-	4,944.56
Improvement Savings Account	6,288.53	215.53	-	6,504.06
Memorial Savings Account	6,109.23	22.71	-	6,131.94
Scholarship Savings Account	7,270.93	1.83	-	7,272.76
Mission Investment Fund	80,611.00	-	-	80,611.00
LPL Fund	36,199.84	6.32	755.59	35,450.57

THANK-YOU!! Your gifts are "making a difference" in the congregation, community, and throughout God's World.



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ATTENDANCE

Wednesday, March 29	45
Palm Sunday, April 2	93
Maundy Thursday, April 6	60
Good Friday, April 7	52
Easter Sunday, April 9	121
Sunday, April 16 GIFT Sunday at St Paul's	0
Sunday, April 23	61

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