

UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH
Sunday, August 8, 2021
Pilot Mound Lutheran Church

Members present: Pastor Sarah; Paul Boyum, Dana Knudsen (A); Allan Kingsbury, LeRoy 'Ike' Johnson, Karen Thompson, (G); Doris Horsman, Sonia McCabe, (PM); Diane Drinkall (NP).
Absent: Keith Agrimson, Anita Brown, Steve Erickson, Brent Olson

President Allan Kingsbury called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Pastor Sarah gave devotions reading from Psalm 34.

The secretary's report has been previously approved via email/text.

There were no additional comments regarding the treasurer's reports. A motion to accept as presented was made by Paul Boyum and seconded by Diane Drinkall. Motion passes.

Through the Parish Nurse fund, Rachel Boyum has donated additional masks (both adult and child sized) and hand sanitizer to each congregation. She has also kept council/pastor up to date on community spread in Fillmore County and surrounding areas. She also recommends following CDC guidelines and mask wearing.

During the past three months pastoral acts included baptisms, Confirmation, and funerals.

There were three baptism at North Prairie: April 11th - Liam Jon Russell, May 9th – Isabelle Faith Haake, and June 6th – Drew Ryan Vitse.

Pastor Sarah had a memorial service for Muriel Holland (A) at Hoff Funeral Home, May 15th; graveside service for Robert Boyum (A), May 23rd; and a private graveside service for Iris Thoreson (A), June 19th. Funeral service for Martha Johnson was officiated by Rev. Kerry Eversole, July 17th. A funeral service will be held for David Keenan at North Prairie on August 17th.

A 4-pt worship service for Confirmation, scheduled May 23rd as an outdoor service in the bandstand was moved to Grace church due to rain. Those confirmed were Grace Goddard (PM), Lauren Olson (NP) and Macy Rye (NP).

The Lanesboro High School Baccalaureate Service was held June 2nd. Pastor Sarah delivered the message.

Pastor Sarah led worship at Good Shepherd Nursing Home on May 6th and June 17th and at Chosen Valley Nursing Home on June 23rd. Also scheduled worship service times at Chosen will be August 11, September 15, and November 17.

Pastor Sarah has been participating in three Continuing Education classes over the past 12 months and leads a monthly "zoom" book club.

Pastor Sarah shared that she will be starting “Zoom” Confirmation classes on September 22.

Pastor Sarah will be on vacation August 23 – September 7. Pulpit supply for August 29th will be Shirley Gangstad and September 5th will be Rev. Carol Garman.

After discussion, the 4-pt council will leave the decision up to each congregation council regarding the CDC guidelines and mask wearing.

Everyone is hoping that the Sunday School children will be back in church for their instruction this year. More information will be available as soon as plans are made.

Plans are moving forward as Arendahl is planning their biennial “Bazaar/Supper” on October 23rd, Grace is planning their “Meatball Supper” on September 26th and “Bazaar” on October 9th, and North Prairie is planning a “Fall Dinner” for September 19th.

There will not be a service on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25th.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 7th, 7:00 pm at North Prairie.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm was made by Sonia McCabe and seconded by Dana Knudsen. Motion passes. Meeting was adjourned.

We closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Drinkall, Secretary