



“Come, grow with us...”

Evangel *(good news!)*

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Sometimes it amazes how God can turn bad things into good things.

In early July, a storm blew through our area that brought rain and lots of wind. Trees were down everywhere. Power was out for hours and days. One of our Bible camps, Camp Vermilion, was hit especially hard, with damage to some structures, and the loss of many trees, including some landmark trees. People pulled together to work days and weeks to clean up Camp and get things back to normal.

One still night a month later, the Camp Vermilion sauna burned to the ground. Camp had just ended and no one was in the area. Some trees nearby were blackened by the heat of the flames, but only the sauna burned. After almost 50 years of use, the sauna is gone.

When folks from the DNR went out to investigate, they pointed out that the fire could have been much worse. After the storm, volunteers and staff cleaned up the 20-30 trees that fell near the sauna. While they were at it, they cleaned out other dead wood that had been lying on the forest floor. And if they hadn’t... the DNR folks said the whole camp would have burned.

So while the storm did a lot of damage, it also spurred people to do work that eventually saved the whole camp from a huge forest fire. That truly can be considered an “act of God.”

When I have “disasters” in my life, I like to look back later to see what good things God has done because of them. Jobs have ended, and God has led me to new work where I and others have been blessed. Enduring the many storms of life has developed resilience in me. I am grateful.

When you look back at your life, what disasters did God turn into blessings? What Bible stories come to mind, where God turned things around? I encourage you to share your faith with someone by sharing one of your faith life stories with them.

With faith,

Pastor Evelyn

“Coincidence is God’s way of remaining anonymous.”
Albert Einstein

KRAZY QUILTERS

Krazy Quilters make a difference in the world by quilting. The group meets on Monday mornings 9a-12p beginning September 10th. Even if you cannot come every Monday, or cannot stay for the entire morning, new members are always welcome. We will train! No sewing skills required! We have work for everyone, cutting squares, laying out tops, tying quilts or sewing.

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, September 12, 2018
6:30PM

Women of the ELCA

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Tuesday, September 4, 1:00PM

**OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER
SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

Tuesday, September 25th, 5:00PM

Women of the ELCA

GENERAL MEETING

No September meeting

ATTENDANCE

Jul 29	at Woodland
Aug 5	41
Aug 12	24
Aug 19	36

ESTHER CIRCLE

Wednesday, September 19, 1:00PM

ALTAR GUILD

Wednesday, September 19, 3:00PM

2018 Budget & Current Exp. Offering* (thru Aug 19)

2018 Adopted Annual Budget	\$94,766
2018 Monthly Budget	\$ 7,897
Aug MTD Offering	\$ 6,017

Current Expense Offering YTD	\$54,069
Synod Benevolence Offering YTD	\$ 1,934
Total YTD Current Expense Offering	\$56,003

* Figures are unaudited and subject to adjustment.



Laurentian Conference Confirmation Kick-off

6:00 – 8:00 pm Wednesday, September 26, 2018

United in Christ Lutheran Church
201 Station 44 Road – Eveleth, MN



You are invited to the 2018 Confirmation Kick-off featuring AGAPE*

AGAPE* (Dave Scherer) combines rapping, dancing, and storytelling to communicate God's love in a way that people really "get it".

The evening begins at 6:00 pm with activities led by the staff from Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry. At 6:30 pm, the worship concert begins in the sanctuary and will include songs and presentation by AGAPE* and a celebration of Holy Communion.

All are welcome to attend this event – Confirmation students, confirmed students, parents, families, the community. Dave Scherer has performed at National Youth Gatherings, and will be the main presenter at this year's Synod Middle School Gathering. Merchandise will be available for sale before and after the event. Check out the AGAPE* website at hiphopoutreach.com for more information.

Confirmation Service Opportunities

Grounds maintenance—Although summer is coming to a close, grounds maintenance around the church is still needed. Sign up in the narthex for a week or two and earn service credit hours. One of the experienced members will show you what needs to be done.

Ruby's Pantry—Confirmation students can earn 4+ hours of service credit for working as volunteers at Ruby's Pantry. No special skills are required; just a willingness to work! Please arrive at 8:00AM.

Camp Vermilion Fall Work Day

September 22- Join us for a day of work, fellowship, and caring for God's great northwoods.

Schedule

9:00 - Check-in and coffee. Work on cabin or other tasks around camp

12:30 - Lunch

Groups are welcome to continue working after lunch, enjoy a few hours at camp, or depart for home.

Please let us know by September 19 if you plan to join us!

Upcoming Gospel Readings.....

Sep	2	Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23
	9	Mark 7: 24-37
	16	Mark 8: 27-38
	23	Mark 9: 30-37
	30	Mark 9: 38-50
Oct	7	Mark 10:2-16
	14	Mark 10:17-31
	21	Mark 10:35-45
	28	Mark 10:46-52

Sunday School

2018-19 Sunday School classes begin with Rally Sunday on September 17th at 9:30am.

Children 4 years through 5th grade are welcome to attend.

Bible stories, crafts, games and singing are utilized to teach children about the love of Jesus.



Worship Service Volunteers

We are always looking for folks to be readers, greeters and to serve Coffee An'. Youth are encouraged to volunteer for all of these important roles in our church.

Help with Lay-Led Worship?

BELC's council is considering whether to have lay people (like YOU!) help lead worship services on non-Communion Sundays when Pastor Evelyn is away. This would save the cost of a pulpit supply pastor (est. \$165 per Sunday) and strengthen our church's lay leadership.

Besides our regular readers and ushers, one person could write or find and/or preach a sermon, and others could help with spoken liturgy and prayers. Another option would be a hymn-sing Sunday, similar to the one we did after Christmas. This would include finding and sharing the stories of favorite hymns (instead of a sermon), with others leading prayers.

If you would like to explore helping our church in this way, please talk with Pastor Evelyn.

P.S. The next expected Pulpit Supply date is December 30, 2018.

Women of the ELCA News

Circles will resume meetings on Wednesday, September 19th. The Dorcas circle has been retired. The Esther Circle meets at 1:00PM. All are welcome!

The first **WELCA General Unit** meeting will be in October, date and time to be announced..

2018-19 WELCA books will be available at the Esther Circle meeting on September 19th, and in the church office after that.

Executive Board will meet at 1:00PM on Tuesday, September 4th

Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped make the Community Baby Shower a huge success! The guests played several baby shower themed games followed by refreshments. Many lovely and useful baby gifts were donated.

Special thanks to the ladies from Babbitt Baptist, Assembly of God, St. Pius X Catholic, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Woodland Presbyterian and Evangelical Lutheran for their hard work in organizing the 2018 Community Baby Shower. We hope we will see you all again next year!

From the Family of Edith Uppman...

Mom loved her church and she missed it terribly when she had to move to assisted living. Her husband was baptized there as well as his funeral. Five of her children were confirmed and three were married at Evangelical. She made many life-long friends through her church which she cherished.

Thank you to the ladies who worked at the luncheon after the service, the secretary for your help on Friday, and Pastor for your visits at the hospital.

*God's Work...
Our Hands*

Welcome Home Basket

Thank you to all who generously donated items for our first basket! These baskets are needed all year so we are doing a second Welcome Home basket as a church wide project for God's Work + Our Hands Sunday on September 30th. To avoid duplicating items, there is a sign up sheet in the narthex for you to choose available items to donate. Cash donations will be used to buy any items not donated. Please remember, all items must be new!

Current for Curran Hospital

Thursday, September 20

6-8:30 PM

Hoops Brewing

325 S. Lake Avenue, Duluth, MN

Be a part of bring a solar solution to Curran Hospital. Join us at Hoops Brewing in Duluth for an evening of charitable giving to bring a solar micro grid to Curran Hospital in Zorzor, Liberia. Enjoy craft beer, light food and the music of Corey Medina.

Ruby's Pantry—Sharing the Love of Christ through food

Ruby's Pantry will hold a food share distribution at the Babbitt Municipal Center on Saturday, September 22nd. Registration begins at 9:30AM and distribution at 10:00AM. The cost is \$20. Bring two containers to carry your food share. Volunteers are always needed, no special training required; please come at 8:00AM.

**Evangelical Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2018**

Vice-president Don Negley called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

Present: Pastor Evelyn Weston, Don Negley, Shanna Sundblad, Mary Muellerleile, Allan Eckman, Jo Langan

Absent: Roxanne Sader, Nancy Mettler, Carl Sundblad, Morgan Klatt

Pastor Evelyn began the meeting with prayer.

Motion by Shanna Sundblad to approve the agenda, second by Mary Muellerleili. Motion carried.

The July 16th secretary's report was reviewed. There were no corrections or additions. Motion to accept the minutes by Shanna Sundblad, second by Allan Eckman. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented. Discussion followed comparing expenses to income for July, 2018, and also year-to-date values. Total income exceeded expenses for the month of July. However, total income also includes the designated offerings which do not apply to current expenses. The exception is the amount given to Synod Mission (aka Synod Benevolence on offering envelopes). Therefore the positive net is actually less. The year-to-date amount is similarly changed. Request was made for the amount given as of July 31th towards Synod Mission. Year-to-date total is \$1793 given towards the minimum \$3000 required. Motion by Jo Langan, second by Shanna Sundblad to accept the report. Motion carried.

Old Business

There has been no further discussions with Woodland Presbyterian Church. An attempt will be made in September to schedule a meeting.

The National Night Out on August 7th was a success for the community with wonderful participation. Again BELC served root beer floats as done during Peter Mitchell Days. Approximately 230 floats were served. Ways to improve BELC's participation in the future, as well as suggestions in general, were discussed.

New Business

BELC will be participating in the NE Range Public School luncheon for staff on Thursday, August 30th, by providing home-made pies.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Evelyn shared her father's recent medical issues. She also provided a summary of her Bible studies experience held at Outlaw Ranch in South Dakota. In addition, some of the upcoming events in September were shared. Confirmation will be resuming in September.

Committee Reports

Property: The need to repair the loose carpet in the church narthex caused by the shifting subfloor was noted. Committee members will gather information on this problem.

Stewardship & Finance: Stewardship Committee members would like to meet with Pastor Evelyn.

Music & Worship: none

Youth & Education: none

Outreach & Communication, Social Ministry: none

The next council meeting will be held on **September 12th at 6:30 pm.**
September Communion assistant and offering depositor is Jo Langan.

Motion by Mary Muellerleili, second by Allan Eckman to adjourn. Motion carried.
Together the council prayed the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully,
Jo Langan



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<h1>September 2018</h1>						
2 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 AM Coffee An'	3 Labor Day	4 No Pastor's Office Hours 1:00 PM WELCA Executive Board Meets	5	6 8:30 AM TOPS	7 No Pastor's Office Hours	8
9 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship Service, Pastor Dorothy Sand preaching 9:30 AM Coffee An'	10 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crazy Quilters Meet	11 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	12 6:30 PM Council Meeting	13 8:30 AM TOPS 6:30 PM BELC Confirmation Meeting	14 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Office Hours	15
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**"To sing is to pray twice."
*Saint Augustine***

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