

The official newsletter of the LCMS North Dakota District MAY 2021

EVENTS AROUND THE DISTRICT

- Spring Pastor's Conference May 3-5, 2021 in Grand Forks
- Turtle Mountain Archery Shoot May 8th at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads
- Ascension Day Service May 13, 7 pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bismarck
- Dakota Hope Luncheon for Pastors June 9th at St. Mark's, Minot
- Summer camps June 13-August 15 at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads
- Dedication of Stained Glass Windows June 13, 2021, at 3 pm at Messiah, Mandan
- Continuing Education June 15-17 at St. Andrew, West Fargo
- Higher Things Conference "Forgiven" June 29-July 2, 2021 NDSU, Fargo
- District Convention January 23-26, 2022



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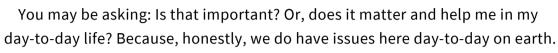
Desiring that all might be saved, our mission is to encourage the making and nurturing of disciples of Jesus Christ through Word and Sacrament ministry.

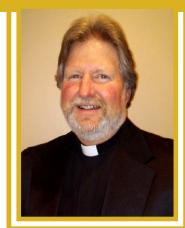
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HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN

This month, on May 13, will be 40 days after Easter and is Ascension Day. The celebration of Jesus' ascension is one of the most important celebrations of the Church Year. You might not realize this because it's a rather neglected celebration by most of Christendom these days. The fact is Ascension Day is right up there with Christmas and Easter in its importance. For, on Ascension Day our Lord takes our flesh with Him into heaven, where He sits at God's right hand with all authority.





So, really, how important is a pie-in-the-sky ascension of Jesus into heaven? Such as: When you have problems at work or with workers? When your health or someone you love's health is failing? When age seems to be taking its toll and life is no more fun? Really, how much does Jesus' ascension mean for all of that?

Well, in fact, very much if your eyes are open wide to see what Jesus Himself has done for your day-to-day life. Especially if you understand that in your Baptism, you are connected to Jesus' death and resurrection. In other words, you are now the Body (the Church) and He is your Head. Wherever the Head goes, so does the Body. So if your Head, Jesus Christ, has lived and died through all the things mentioned earlier, so do you His Body. Consider: If Jesus has risen from the dead, and He has, so shall you. If Jesus ascends into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, so shall you. You see, it matters, and the ascension of Christ to the throne of God is a feast to celebrate.

Therefore, open your ears and open your minds to know of and remember Jesus' Ascension Day, for it is relevant and important to you. Jesus suffered, was crucified, and died for our sins, and on the third day rose from the dead. He walked on the earth for 40 days; "Then Jesus led the disciples out as far as Bethany," to the Mount of Olives, "and lifting up His hands He blessed them and was carried up into heaven" Luke 24:50-51.

This is what we celebrate: The Son of Man is now ascended into heaven. Jesus will always be your Savior and your God both in flesh and in Divinity. But He has also lifted up you so that you once again have a perfect fellowship with God. Jesus is the man the Father intended man to be, and yet He is the only begotten Son from all eternity.

Jesus' ascension into heaven does not mean He is physically restricted. Just because your senses cannot perceive Him does not mean He is not present. You know He is with you, and to assist our feeble faith, He provides something tangible to grasp and hold, such as bread and wine, to go with the promise of His Word. He is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine. We call it a real presence. Not in a carnivorous chewable and drinkable way, but in a sacramental way. It is like the air we breathe or the radio, cell phone, and TV waves around us; just because you cannot see them doesn't mean that they are not real and truly present.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- The pastors and their families as they travel to Grand Forks and attend the Spring Pastor's Conference on May 3-5.
- Rev. Dr. James Baneck, past district president, as he is home recovering from covid. (We rejoice that Jim is no longer hospitalized.)
- Rev. Bernie Worral is recovering from hip surgery.
- Rev. Bernie Seter, his wife Faye and the four congregations he serves (St.
 John, Crystal, Trinity, Drayton, Zion English, Grafton, and the Life Skills and
 Transition Center) as he continues to deal with health issues.
- Rev. Al Eppen as he continues to deal with health issues.

Do you have a prayer request you would like to see added to this list? Send it to news@nodaklcms.org for inclusion in the next edition of the eNews.

When you don't know what to say, simply pray, Lord, have mercy!

DISTRICT FINANCIALS - FEBRUARY 2021

Income available for District Missions/Expenses: \$55,969.46
Net Expenses \$45,512.06
NET OPERATING INCOME for March \$10,457.40
Funds Given in the Past used for Current Expenses \$3,178.23
YTD NET INCOME \$29,238.40

March was a very good month for giving in the District and we will be able to make a quarterly payment to our international missions. Praise be to God! In our digital age, online giving options make a lot of sense. If your congregation does not take part in an online giving program and would like to, please consider LCEF's Joyful Response which is provided at no cost to your congregation.

Gifts from individuals and congregations designated for our international missions are sent on at the end of each fiscal quarter. Those amounts are not included in income or expense totals. YTD designated gifts for international missions as of March 31, 2021:

Christ's Care for Children – Kenya \$2,180.00 Chile Partnership \$1,420.00

Please contact Tami Ulland at lcms.nd.busman@gmail.com or call 701-293-9001 if you have more questions.

He has risen! Let Easter joy encourage you to donate for Chile, CCCK or other missions. Send to ND District, PO Box 9029, Fargo, 58106.



CHANGES IN THE

Calls Received

Rev. Matthew Tooman received a call to consider from First Lutheran Church in El Cajon, CA in the English District.

Calls Returned

Rev. Bob Hill, St Paul, Wimbledon, St. Paul, Kensal, Our Savior, Pettibone, and Redeemer, Woodworth, has returned the call to Trinity and St. James, Munger, MI.

Rev. Mark Chepulis, Our Savior, Cavalier, St. Paul, St. Thomas and Redeemer, Langdon has returned the call to Trinity, Sidney, MT and St. John, Fairfield, MT.

Vacancies

Redeemer, Lisbon (served by Rev. Aaron Filipek)

Trinity, LaMoure (served by Rev. Brademeyer)

Trinity, Adrian (served by Rev. Eckstein)

St. Peter, Belfield (served by Rev. Ahrendt)

Redeemer, Grassy Butte (served by Rev. Wolters)



MAIN STREET LIVING MEDIA MINISTRY

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"SO SHALL MY WORD BE that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it." Isaiah 55:11. These are exceedingly reassuring words, and all the more as the world seems to increasingly crumble around us!

May God continue to bless the words sent out through our MSLN TV broadcasts and internet pathways!

-Ken Koehler, Volunteer Coordinator

"Main Street Living North" Programs for May 2021:

May 2: Rev. Nathanael Biberdorf, Zion Lutheran Church, Browns Valley, MN, and Zion Lutheran Church, Claire City, SD, presents the message "True Vine Connection," based on John 15:1-8. "This Is The Life" episode: "A Dream of His Own."

May 9: Rev. Jared Nies, St. John's Lutheran Church, Corliss Township (Rural Perham), MN, presents the message: "Blood and Water = Forgiveness and Peace," based on 1 John 5:1-6. "This Is The Life" episode: "A Will to Live."

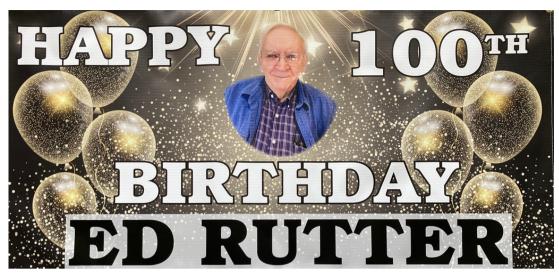
May 16: Rev. Chris Brademeyer, St. John Lutheran Church, Oakes, ND, presents the message: "Endure in Christ," based on John 15:26-16:4. "This Is The Life" episode: "Home Free" / A family learns the real meaning of love and that it comes free.

May 23: Rev. Jacob Wagner, St. John's Lutheran Church, Vergas, MN, presents the message "Living Life in the Spirit," based on Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Acts 2:1-21. "This Is The Life" episode: "Man in the Middle" / Two men are left with a "secret" when one tells the other that he has terminal cancer.

May 30: Rev. Brock Schmeling, Peace Lutheran Church, Barney, ND, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Great Bend, ND, presents the message "God in Trinity" based on John 3:1-17. "This Is The Life" episode: "Return Trip" / The modern-day story of a prodigal daughter.

"MAIN STREET LIVING" is a locally produced TV program that includes a 30-minute worship service led by participating pastors of the LCMS serving Minnesota North and North Dakota Districts, along with a 30-minute Lutheran Hour program (usually "This Is The Life," along with occasional church-season specials). Please check your cable and satellite providers for the corresponding channel on your system. MSLN programs are also archived for one year and can be viewed at any time on www.mainstreetliving.com/North.

MILESTONE BIRTHDAY SPOTLIGHT



Rev. Edward J. Rutter celebrated his 100th birthday with his family on the weekend surrounding his April 19th birthday. The North Dakota District is near and dear to Pastor Rutter's heart, as he spent his entire active ministry in North Dakota, from 1954 until his retirement in 1991. Pastor Rutter continues to reside at Fairway View Neighborhoods in Ortonville, Minnesota. Please join his family in prayers of thanksgiving for his 100 years.

Bismarck-Mandan LCMS Ascension Day Service

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
(7111 Williamson Drive, between US-83 & N. Washington)

Thursday, May 13 7:00 p.m. Divine Service

Preacher: Rev. Justin Woodside

8:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social



"While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven." (Luke 24:51)



SAVE THE DATE:

Free Pro-Life pastor's luncheon with speaker, Mike Spencer. This will be held on June 9, 2021, in Minot.

For more information about the speaker, visit projectlifevoice.com/about-mike Please feel free to contact our office at (701)852-4675 or email Nicole, reception@dakotahope.org, if you have any questions.

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE WITH THE DISTRICT?

Send submissions for the district eNews to news@nodaklcms.org by the 25th of the month for publication in the following month.

UPDATE ON OUR DISTRICT'S INTERNATIONAL MERCY CARE:

Rev. Rick Jones, LCMS North Dakota International Mercy Care

Internationally, the District is formally involved with the Project 24 boarding Schools in Kenya and the sponsoring of ministry to the Maule region of Chile.

Over the last year, COVID has challenged the travel, distribution, collaboration, and implementation of ministry across the globe. Despite the struggles imposed by the COVID pandemic, ministry continues in Chile and Kenya, and our support of their ministry continues also.

Chile - The congregations in Constitution and Talca continue to see growth, maturity, and development as they engage their communities with the love of Christ in weekly worship, after-school programs, instruction, Sunday School, and relief work. The region was able to call a pastor from the seminary. The increased ministry capabilities have allowed them to expand, planting a new congregation in Conception. Rev. Omar Kinas continues to drive the mission of the ministry with faithfulness, compassion, and conviction. He is pleased with the ongoing developments in the region and is incredibly grateful for the North Dakota District's support.

Kenya - In Kenya, we continue our partnership with Project 24 and Christ Care for Children—Kenya (CCCK). Project 24 envisions 24 boarding schools across the nation of Kenya caring for, educating, and empowering children to be faithful and have successful futures. CCCK is the ongoing sponsorship program of individual students in the Project 24 facilities. There are currently 190 children being served by the seven completed sites. Despite the concerns and struggles with COVID, no cases have emerged at any Project 24 site. Even with Kenyan lockdown and quarantine mandates, all students requiring national tests for further education were able to complete their exams before returning to their family groups. P24 has also informed us that two students from Project 24 sites have committed to church work—one deaconess and one pastor. The work of the Lord is growing and flourishing even in difficult circumstances.

<u>District Support</u> - Christ's Care for Children - Kenya (\$10,000) 10,000.00 | Chile Mission (\$25,000) 25,000.00 The District Convention voted on these missions. They will be paid quarterly as funds are available.

International Missions were paid out for the last fiscal period (Much was covered by previously restricted gifts). Gifts from individuals and congregations designated for our international missions are sent at the end of each fiscal quarter. Those amounts are not included in income or expense totals.

YTD designated gifts as of January 31, 2021:

Christ's Care for Children – Kenya \$9,734.70 | Chile Partnership \$8,896.00

You may send donations for Chile, CCCK, or other missions. Send to ND District, PO Box 9029, Fargo, ND 58106.

For financial questions, please contact Tami Ulland at lcms.nd.busman@gmail.com or call 701-293-9001.

For more information on our District's International Mercy care and how you can get involved, contact Rev.

Rick Jones at r.jones@dakotaranch.org or 507-351-4363

MESSIAH LUTHERAN MEMBERS BUILD STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Members of Messiah Lutheran Church, Mandan have recently completed eight stained glass windows that will be framed and illuminated in the walls of the church.

A dedication service will be held on June 13, 2021, at 3 pm.

For more information, contact Messiah Lutheran at 701-663-8545, messiahmandan.org, or find us on Facebook. All are welcome to attend. Messiah Lutheran Church is located at 1020 Boundary Road, Mandan



CALL DAY 2021

Vicarage Assignment

Vicar-Elect Aidan Moon will serve as vicar at Zion, Bismarck.

Vicar-Elect Chad Berg from St. Andrew, West Fargo will serve as vicar at Zion, Pierce, NE.

Calls with North Dakota District Connections

Candidate Richard Dailey, served as Vicar at Bethel and Shepherd of the Valley, Bismarck in 2019-2020. He received his first call to serve as pastor at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Okmulgee, OK in the Oklahoma District.

Candidate Tanner Post attended Immanuel, Fargo while attending NDSU before seminary. He received his first call to serve as pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sumner, IA in the Iowa District East.



Vicar-Elect Aidan and Naomi Moon

Candidate Stafford Thompson attended Immanuel, Fargo while attending NDSU before seminary. He received his first call to serve as pastor at Hope Lutheran Church, Munger (Cloquet), MN in the Minnesota North District.

GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPDATE

As we reflect on this unique, challenging school year, we are continually amazed by God's protecting power over our school, students, and staff. Romans 8, verse 28 states, "We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." Our teachers have faithfully accepted every challenge placed before them this year, and we thank God for their perseverance.

Mrs. Susan Jahnke, Interim Principal, has been called to serve as Principal at Grace Lutheran School. Please lift her up in prayer as she considers this move into school administration.

We thank all who joined us at Pasta with a Purpose Spaghetti Dinner. It was wonderful to see so many faces and enjoy one another's company at this association-unifying event.

Next month, Grace Lutheran School will graduate five 8th grade students and 20 kindergarteners. Big thanks to the Grace Lutheran Church LWML for serving treats!

This summer, Grace Lutheran School is getting a landscape makeover. There will be many opportunities to help, including workdays on Saturday, May 15, and Saturday, June 19. On our website, gracelutheranschoolfargo.com, you will find home garden plant needs and other ways to help. If you enjoy gardening and yard improvements, we have a place for you on our team. Call the school at 701-232-7747 with any questions.

Please continue to hold us up in prayer. We are so blessed to be a ministry in our community and have rock-solid support from our church family.

SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE!!



This year at Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads, the theme for the summer is "Be Strong in the Lord."

Online registrations have been rolling in. If you haven't registered yet, consider doing so today! Register online at shretreat.org or send in a paper registration from the brochure or the downloads page on the website.

Register before May 14th for \$15 off each registration!

Rev. Jon Bonine, Executive Director | shretreat.org director@shretreat.org | 701-244-5225

PROF INSIGHTS: FACULTY-LED WORKSHOP 2021 - PROFESSOR HAUPT IN WEST FARGO, ND - CONTINUING EDUCATION

June 15-17, 2021 | St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo

Confessing Christ and Living His Mission: Pre-Constantinian Theology and Practice for Our Post-Constantinian World

Many would argue that we live in a post-church, post-Christian culture marked by increasing hostility to Christian theology, waning protection of political freedoms of the Christian church, increasing biblical illiteracy and the list goes on. How should Christ's church conduct itself in such a climate? This workshop will address how we got to this place and then look at where we go from here. The workshop will explore various frameworks to understand the interaction of Christianity and culture. Participants will then explore how the early Christian church engaged a culture similar to our own. Read more about this workshop at https://www.csl.edu/event/profinsights-faculty-led-workshop-2021-professor-haupt-in-west-fargo-nd/

HIGHER THINGS CONFERENCE

June 29-July2, 2021 | NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY!!

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They change your eternity!

To learn more: higherthings.org/2021-forgiven

Dare to be Lutheran!



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So Jesus is truly present with you as He has promised when you gather in His name. He did not leave you or me to run things in the Church as we see fit. That would be decapitating the Church, the body of Christ, of its Head, Jesus Christ. Always remember, He is especially with you in church where His Word is preached and His Sacraments administered.

In Luke 24:50, Jesus spreads His hands over the disciples blessing them and slowly, majestically, and mightily rises heavenward from earth into heaven. Jesus is in heaven with the same body that died on the cross and that laid in the grave. But He is not confined to heaven. He is at the same time wherever He has promised to be according to both His human and His divine natures.

In summing it up: As Jesus ascended, so shall He return! He departed visibly, and He shall return visibly; He went to heaven, He shall return from heaven; He went away bodily, He shall come back bodily.He will return in all His glory with all the angels with Him for the final judgment. Every eye shall see Him when He returns. He still carries the marks of His crucifixion. He is the Lamb who was slain. He is your Ascended King!

Also, remember in Matthew 24:27, we read Jesus' words, "For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man." A little side note for you about this: That is why people are facing east in most cemeteries. When you rise from your grave, you will see the Lord in the east and you will ascend with Him.

Therefore, grace and peace to you from our risen and ascended Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Rev. Arie Bertsch, LCMS North Dakota District President

ARCHIVE NEWS

Vicki Peihl, District Office Manager
I found a nice 8x10 picture in the vault of the District board members in 1960. I also have the names of the board members but have no idea who some of them are? Can any of my readers help identify people? It is possible I have a couple names wrong as to whom I named in the picture.



Email me at fargoofficendlcms@gmail.com or call 701-293-9001 between 9-3 pm M-Th. Thanks for your help!

Front row: <u>unknown</u>, L. Gottschalk, L. K. Meyer, H. Fry, <u>unknown</u>
Middle row: <u>unknown</u>, Wm Friedrich, A. E. Thiem, <u>unknown</u>
Top row: <u>unknown</u>, <u>unknown</u>, Erich Albrecht, R. A. Teuscher

Board members not listed above are G. Asmus, Walter Buck, R. Klingebiel, Leon Kruse, L. E. Ristow, Herbert Weiss, Ed Bauer, Harold Meyer, and N. F. Spomer. (a few aren't pictured).

NEW FREE RESOURCE FOR SHARING THE GOSPEL: "JESUS NEVER FAILS"

Scan here

During these turbulent times, a central message that everyone needs to hear is "Jesus Never Fails!" And now, the Lutheran Heritage Foundation (a recognized service organization of the LCMS) has this short devotional booklet available at no cost to you in a variety of languages, for outreach to immigrants in your community or for short-term mission trips. To read the English edition (great for shut-ins and hospital visits), click here: https://media.lhfmissions.org/file/lhf-missions/pdfs/English-LHF-Jesus-Never-Fails-booklet-1.pdf. This booklet is also available in languages like Haitian Creole, Spanish, French, Swahili, Russian and Vietnamese. PDFs are available at LHFmissions.org/publications; email your order for printed copies to info@LHFmissions.org.

LutheranBnB

Lutheran Hosts & Lutheran Guests Free to join

No membership fees for hosts or guests!

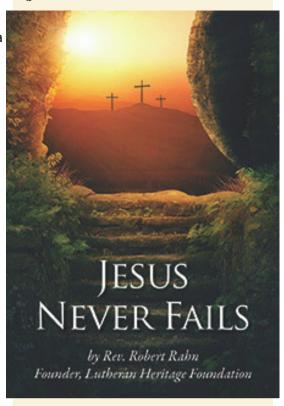
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DISTRICT VISION

Witness

Planting and Revitalizing

Congregations (Rev. Heath Trampe) **Lutheran Education** (Rev. Thomas
Clark)

Clark

Mercy

International Mercy Care (Rev. Rick Jones)

Local Mercy Care (Rev. Les Wolfgram)

Life Together

Ordained and Commissioned

Ministers (Rev. Clark Jahnke)

Youth /Young Adults

(Pat Sebastian and Rev. Jon Bonine)

Stewardship (vacant)

• Will you serve in this area?

Life Coordinator (Rev. Matthew

Tooman)

 If your North Dakota District LCMS church is hosting a "LIFE" event, please let your District Life Coordinator know. We can help get the word out! (www.immanuelwahp.com/distric t-life-coordinator.html)

NATIONAL YOUTH WORKERS CONFERENCE

The National Lutheran Youth Workers
Conference (#NATIONAL21) is a standalone
youth ministry practitioner conference
held every three years. This event
organized by the Synod LCMS Youth
Ministry office, Saint Louis, MO also
provides a wonderful opportunity to



prepare for the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering. The conference will be held July 11-14, 2021, at the Hyatt Regency Houston.

Pat Sebastian, National Youth Gathering District Coordinator, encourages volunteer adult leaders and high school students from North Dakota to attend this conference for the valuable training and networking experiences. If you have questions about this conference, would like to share hotel rooms, travel together, etc. contact Pat Sebastian ((701) 471-3289 | patsebbis@aol.com)

For additional ways to connect to LCMS Youth Ministry, please visit www.lcms.org/youth.

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