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November 2022

Dennison Greet & Usher Schedule

	<i>Usher</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Communion Assistant</i>	<i>Communion & Bread Preparer</i>
<i>Nov 6-11 am</i>	<i>Gracie Svien</i>	<i>Shelby Svien</i>		<i>Terry Haugen</i>
<i>Nov 13-11 am</i>	<i>Joe Amy</i>	<i>Karen Koester</i>		
<i>Nov 22-11am</i>	<i>Kara Zimmerman</i>	<i>John Zimmerman</i>		
<i>Nov 27-11 am</i>	<i>Herman Transburg</i>	<i>Mary Tulp</i>		

Vang Greet & Usher Schedule

	<i>Usher</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Communion Assistant</i>	<i>Communion & Bread Preparer</i>
<i>Nov 6-9 am</i>	<i>Joe & Dena Eggum</i>	<i>Kelly Debnam</i>	<i>Malori Prior</i>		<i>Nancy Topp</i>
<i>Nov 13-9 am</i>	<i>Greg Nesseth Family</i>	<i>Greg Nesseth</i>	<i>Clara Haugen</i>		
<i>Nov 20-9 am</i>	<i>Rod Woock</i>	<i>Louise Starr</i>	<i>Meranda Wood</i>		
<i>Nov 27-9 am</i>	<i>Megan Berg Family</i>	<i>Brian Treblehorn</i>	<i>Gunnar Johnson</i>		

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Centering Prayer Workshop 6:30 pm at Vang	3	4	5
6 Vang 9:00 am Dennison 11:00 am (All Saints Day)	7	8 Dennison Council 5:00 pm (Election Day)	9 Faith Formation Evening 6:30 pm Vang	10	11	12
13 Vang 9:00 am Dennison 11 am	14 Vang Council 7:00 pm	15	16 Evening Taize Service 6:30 pm Dennison	17	18	19
20 Vang 9:00 am Dennison 11:00 am	21	22	23 Faith Formation Evening 6:30 pm Vang	24 Happy Thanksgiving	25	26
27 Vang 9:00 am Dennison 11 am (1 st Sunday of Advent)	28	29	30 Confirmation 6:30 pm at First Lutheran			

DENNISON LUTHERAN CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT						
Date	Description	Amount		Date	Description	Amount
INCOME				EXPENDITURES		
						Current
						Running
						Balance
9/1/2022	Balance	\$1,701.60		9/2/2022	Joe Amy/web site	1310.85
9/1/2022	deposit from savings	\$500.00		9/6/2022	Grinnell ins	\$262.53
9/13/2022	deposit	\$310.51		9/15/2022	Dennison/Vang joint acct Sept	\$1,250.00
9/14/2022	deposit	\$250.00		9/15/2022	Excel Energy	\$250.36
9/15/2022	deposit	\$1,060.00				
9/19/2022	deposit	\$300.00				
9/20/2022	deposit	\$50.00				
09/30/22	interest	0.08				
		\$4,172.19				\$3,073.74
						\$1,098.45
Savings Balance	9/30/2022					
	1729-----33130.81	building				
	1737-----238.70	Lutheran brotherhood				

Submitted by: Karen Zimmerman

Vang September 2022 Treasurer Report

SEPTEMBER

Year-To-Date

Monthly Budget \$13,209.00

Annual Budget \$118,881.00

Checking Deposits \$6,132.21

Checking Deposits \$75,766.94

Savings Deposits \$35.81

Savings Deposits \$25,938.05

Total Deposits \$6,168.02

Total Deposits \$101,704.99

Budget (Shortfall) (\$ 7,040.98)

Budget (Shortfall) (\$ 17,176.01)

Notes from the Pastor...

During Advent, I love to hear Mary's Song (sometimes called "The Magnificat") which begins, "*my soul magnifies the Lord.*" I love how radical and profound this song of praise is ("*He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.*") Mary sings her song for us to hear today.

Mary's song provides a timeless dose of pregnant hope during a time full of so much peril, loss, and hardship. She sings a hopeful reminder of God's promises and character. Mary reminds us that, ultimately, the proud will be scattered, the mighty brought down from their thrones, and the hungry filled with good things.

In the season of Advent, as we anticipate the birth of our Savior, the one who is called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6), we can all find hope in Mary's hymn. Hope for physical and spiritual health for ourselves, our families, and our nation. Hope for a new and more equitable "normal." Hope that a steadfast love toward our neighbors as well as our enemies can replace so much of the enmity and contempt that has poisoned our culture and politics. Hope that a record-breaking year of climate catastrophes will generate the will to make needed change.

Mary's song provides a much-needed injection of hope as we prepare to embrace the possibilities and promise of a new year. Because if we can internalize and act on Mary's timeless call to lift up the lowly, practice humility, and feed the hungry, we can look forward to a hopeful and gratifying year.

Peace,

Pastor Paul

Mary's Song

'My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.' (Luke 1: 46-55)



All Saints Sunday – Sunday, November 6

On Sunday, November 6, the church observes All Saints Sunday. On this very special day of worship, all will be invited to light a candle for loved ones who have died, as we remember the promise of new life in Christ.

Those from this community of faith who died in the past year will be named and remembered during worship on All Saints Sunday:

Daniel Braithwaite, Harold Fogelson, David Henke, Donald Hope, Harland Kasa, Ted Lorch, Richard Olson, Sandra Olson, Dorothy Pince, Carol Remme.

Community Faith Formation

All are invited to a new approach to community building and faith formation! On the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, Dennison and Vang will offer a time for all ages to learn new things and grow in faith. The evenings will start with a brief worship time, followed by learning and faith growth time for children, youth, and adults. This is envisioned as a time to build community and go deeper in faith, but it will not work without you. Hope to see you there!

Community faith formation in November will be on November 9th and 23rd at 6:30 PM.

Advent 2022 – Alive in the Adventure of Jesus

Advent begins on Sunday, November 27. For Advent this year, we will be using a resource from author Brian McLaren called “We Make the Road by Walking.” It is a great book well worth picking up. The Advent focus will be “Alive in the Adventure of Jesus.”

November 27 – “Promised Land, Promised Time”

December 4 – “Women on the Edge”

December 11 – “Keep Herod in Christmas”

December 18 – “Surprising People”

Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee has asked different groups to share some things going on in our congregation. As a representative of our Vang Dennison Care Team we usually meet a few times a year to discuss different topics to reach out to others by sending a card, phone calls or visits. Be sure to let Pastor Paul know their name, phone number or address, so we can reach out.

Dennison Cleaning Volunteers

Dennison is looking for volunteers to clean the months of November and December. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or email Betsy and she will sign you up.

Thank You

A Note to the Vang Lutheran Church community

Thanks goes to everyone that participated and donated to make our Lutefisk and Meatball Supper a success!

We served 771 meals and as far as we know no one went hungry.

Vang Lutefisk Committee Kari Flom, Pam Enfield, Cathy Whipple and Ann Sviggum



The Beauty of Creation

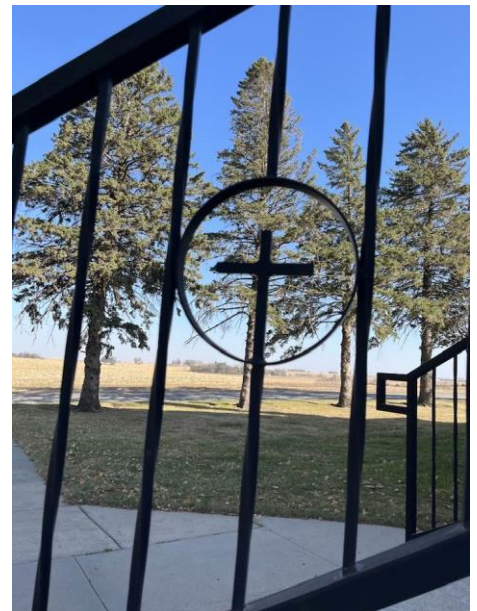
Some of our young kids took pictures of "The Beauty of Creation" around the church last month.



By Jacob Flom



By Ivar & Anton Johnson



By Lucas Johnson