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## July 2019

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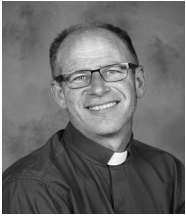


## Summer Learning Series at Crosslake Lutheran

*Wednesdays, July 10 – July 24 at 10:00am*

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# Pastor's Page



*Then Joshua said to the people, "Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you."*

These words come from Joshua in the middle of journey. God had been moving powerfully among the people and Joshua reminds the Israelites that God is not done yet. They are camped on the banks of the Jordan river, about to cross and continue to inherit their future. I can resonate with this text in so many ways and maybe you can too. When I was 43, I stood on the banks of the Jordan, well, sort of. I was about to head off to college and eventually seminary in preparation to follow this call. Let me tell you, my Jordan river seemed HUGE! No way I will get across this.

A few days after receiving this newsletter, I will begin as your full-time pastor. This is a big shift, a welcome one, but yet a big one. I will need to embrace new patterns and responsibilities and will say goodbye to 25 years building construction. Again, the Jordan seems huge. No way I will get across this. But the Israelite story was not held back by the Jordan and neither was mine. In the story, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant, the ark of promise came to the water's edge. Once their feet touched the waters of the Jordan the river

stopped and were pushed back. All of them were able to make it across on the dry riverbed. With God's promise in the lead so much is possible.

Once on the other side each tribe was commanded to bring a stone and place it by the edge of the river. The purpose of the stones was to serve as a reminder God's faithfulness. It was to give them hope as they faced new challenges and embraced new opportunities.

"so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty"  
Joshua 4:24

I am writing this just after our first **YES! Gathering**. I am not going to tip my hat too much because we want each of you to experience it fresh and new like the first group, but let me say this. At the end, one participant noted that he was not excited to come and that his wife "made him come." This person indicated what a positive and hopeful experience it was, AND that they would be encouraging their friends to come the upcoming **YES! Gatherings**. These gatherings will collect some stones and might start to part the waters of Crosslake Lutheran's future. Better come and check it out!

In Christ,  
~Pastor Kurt

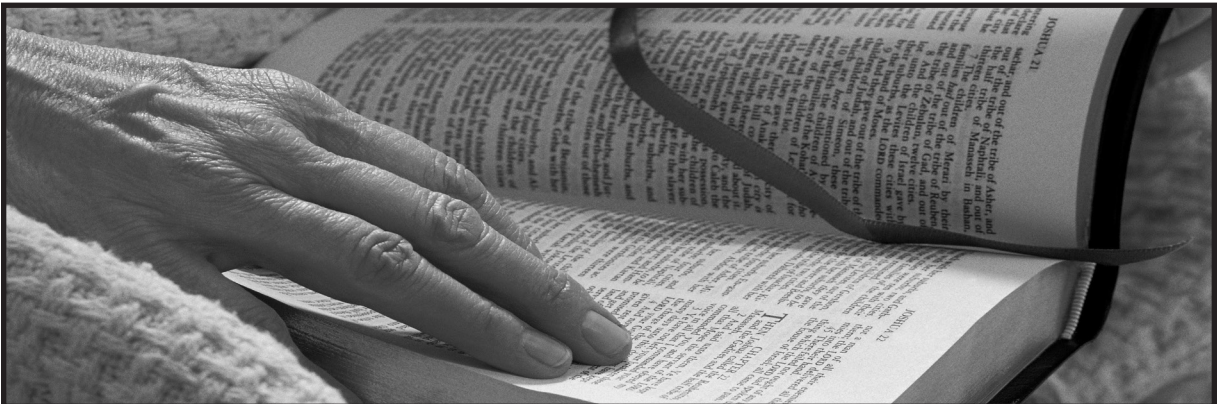
# About Us

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# Health Ministry

**Summer!** I am currently at war with the lovely deer who seem to have expensive taste in my flower gardens — just ate all the buds off my lovely rose bushes! I hope you have bee-, pet-, and people-friendly options for pest and weed control for your yard so that it is still safe to go outside. There are lots of on-line ideas as to how to repel what you hope is not in your yard. With the news about how dangerous Roundup has been found to be, I am not sure how many of us grew up in chemically-safe environments (farm kids can tell pretty scary stories of pesticides and grain bins). Our bodies are amazing at being able to detox but there is always a point where it overwhelming to the immune system. There are wonderful options for chemical-free food as well—your local farmers markets are a great source of food that is good for you and healthy, too.

**The new date for the Final Gift has been set for August 15th from 11–4pm**, thank you for your flexibility in the date change for the funeral. It will include all kinds of great information related to preparing a book for your family for end-of-life wishes. As we have talked about before, most of us think we have a lot of time to get “our affairs in order” but as we really know, that may or may not be true. Please make sure that your provider has a copy of any update Advanced Directives — a recent one that was reviewed listed someone’s long deceased husband as Health Care agent which certainly does not work. It is a good thing to review any documents yearly for any changes that may be

needed especially in terms of finances or changes in your wishes.

Thanks to all who had a part in the music and art exhibit for **My Fathers World**. It is well documented that creating something helps to keep areas of the brain working as we age. There are a lot of options in terms of what to create as the exhibit so nicely portrayed. Be sure to visit the

**Rug Hooking School** that will happen mid-July in the Fellowship Hall to see another form of creating. Watch for the dates in the church calendar and be sure to come and vote for your favorite.

**Flying Solo** will also happen in July — this three-hour class on July 23rd is geared towards anyone who is beginning the next chapter of their life after

the loss of relationship. Sign-up is on the hallway bulletin board. The next chapters of anyone’s life either happens by accident or intention—it is worth spending a few moments to consider what is important for the future after a loss. Questions? See me.

Are you drinking enough water? There is a lot of good information about how much to drink and what forms of fluids are the best. In a recent Monday motivator put out by Crow Wing Energized, they listed how much you have to exercise in order to burn off calories from some popular summer drinks—for example—for a sports drink at 125 calories, it would take 27 minutes of brisk walking to burn off the calories in that drink. Plain old water is still the healthiest and

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# YES!

## *gathering*

This summer, you are invited to be a part of a **YES! Gathering**. At the **YES! Gathering**, we will be exploring how God calls us to say **YES!** to serving our Lord in many ways, as individuals and a congregation. We will celebrate our ministry and look forward together to a new chapter of ministry as Crosslake Lutheran Church. What is God calling us to do next as we Gather, Grow, and Go together?

Pastor Kristin and Pastor Kurt have some ideas to share, but we also want your input. These gatherings will be a time of mutual conversation and inspiration about what God is up to in our lives and congregation. We want as many people as possible from our congregation to be involved in these gatherings. We need your input!

There are four **YES! Gatherings** left for the summer to pick from:

**Monday, July 8 at 3:00pm**

**Wednesday, July 10 at 6:30pm**

**Saturday, August 10 at 10:00am**

**Sunday, August 11 at 7:00pm**

Childcare is available for little ones too young to participate, but we do encourage youth participation and involvement, it's needed and necessary!

Please sign up for one of these **YES! Gatherings** that will last an hour and a half. You can sign up on the clip boards at Indoor or Outdoor worship, through a tear off sheet in the bulletin that you place in the offering plate, or by calling the office. You might be saying to yourself, I don't really understand what this is all about . . . that's okay . . . we want you to just come and see . . . be surprised, and enjoy. There will be light munchies and good fellowship.

If we don't hear from you about which gathering you are attending, we'll give you a call to see which one fits your schedule the best. Thanks in advance for your participation!

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safest for hydration—it keeps organs working well, replenishes loss, keeps the fluid balance in circulation and around here does not contain chemicals and additives that can be harmful. Try to stay away from plastic single use bottles in order to be more caring to the environment—there are plenty of safe options for containers to hold water. Make it a goal to drink at least 5 glasses of water per day (unless you are advised by your provider to restrict fluids) if you start the day with a cold pitcher of lemon water, it is easier to keep track as to how you are doing.

I hope that you will enjoy a safe 4th that is free from fireworks accidents, sunburn, insect bites and water issues—be sure that someone is always the lifeguard (using a wrist band or baton helps to know who is in charge). Summer is a time to make wonderful memories and not spend time in your local ER.

Blessings,

-Gail Smith, RN, Parish Nurse

# Summer Day Camp (VBS) With Luther Crest!



**Held at Outdoor Worship Center**

**Day Camp Dates: July 22-25; 9am-3pm**

**Ages/Grades: Completed K-6th**

**Registration Deadline: July 12th (pre-registration is required)**

**Cost: \$20/child (\$40 family maximum per family)**



**Join us for worship, games, crafts, snacks, fun, & more!**

## **2019 LUTHER CREST DAY CAMP REGISTRATION FORM**

Completed forms can be turned in to the Church Office (PO Box 248, Crosslake MN 56442), the offering plate, or the Information Table at Outdoor Worship.

CAMPER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT(S) NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

BEST CONTACT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ ALTERNATE PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE JUST **COMPLETED BY CAMPER** (circle one) K 1 2 3 4 5 6

I give my permission for my child to participate in Luther Crest's Day Camp, to take part in the normal activities, and I authorize the camp doctor to provide any necessary emergency medical care. I understand Luther Crest assumes secondary insurance coverage; the camper's family assumes primary coverage. I also give Luther Crest permission to use any photograph of my child taken at camp in future promotion of Luther Crest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to be a Day Camp Volunteer.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to have the Luther Crest Day Camp Team at my home for supper.

**Additional registration forms, health forms and payment can be made online at [www.crosslakelutheran.com](http://www.crosslakelutheran.com).  
For more information contact Karen Zeile by text or phone at 248-709-0092 or [kjzeile@ameritech.net](mailto:kjzeile@ameritech.net)**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 9am Jul Fest Workshop 9am 500 Club 9am Quilters 11am Kenneth Merrill Funeral service 12:30 pm Mahjong meets in Garden Room 7pm A.A.	<b>2</b> 10am Pastors' Study Group-Brainerd No Staff Meeting 2-3pm Pre-Diabetes class	<b>3</b> 9am Kitchen Committee 1pm Knit Wits	<b>4</b>  <b>4th of July Holiday Church Office closed.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8:30 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Coffee/Fellowship 10 am Outdoor Worship  "This is My Father's World" art exhibit closes.	<b>8</b> 9am Jul Fest Workshop 9am 500 Club 9am Quilters Noon Mahjong meets in Garden Room 3pm "Yes" Gathering-Fellowship Hall 7pm A.A.	<b>9 Budgets Due.</b> 9-Noon "Days for Girls" workshop-Fellowship Hall 10am Pastors' Study Group-Brainerd 1pm Staff Meeting 1pm Outdoor Worship Committee 2-3pm Pre-Diabetes class 4pm Post-Core Diabetes class	<b>10</b> 10am Adult Bible Study Noon Bell Choir 1pm Knit Wits 3pm Executive Committee 4:30-5:15pm Adult Choir 5:15-6pm Choir rehearsal for Joseph musical 6:30pm "Yes" Gathering-Fellowship Hall	<b>11</b> 9-10:30am "Last Generation" practices in sanctuary 9am Marketing Committee	<b>12</b> 10am Health Ministry Council	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 8:30 am Worship 9:30 am Coffee/Fellowship 10 am Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion <b>(Grandchildren Sunday-free ice cream for all!)</b>	<b>15</b> 9am Jul Fest Workshop 9am 500 Club 9am Quilters Noon Mahjong meets in Garden Room 7pm A.A.  <b>RUG CAMP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL THRU JULY 19 →</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30am Ink Spots 10am Pastors' Study Group-Brainerd 11am Lake Readers Book Club-Fireside Room 1pm Staff Meeting 2-3pm Pre-Diabetes class	<b>17</b> 10am Adult Bible Study 1pm Knit Wits 4:30-5:15pm Adult Choir 5:15-6pm Choir rehearsal for Joseph musical 5:30pm Finance 7pm Church Council	<b>18</b> 9-10:30am "Last Generation" practices in sanctuary 2:30pm Facilities/Property Committee	<b>19</b> 8:30am Work Morning at Camp Knutson	<b>20</b> Country Cross deadline!
<b>21</b> 8:30 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:30 am Coffee/Fellowship 10 am Outdoor Worship	<b>22</b> 9am Jul Fest Workshop 9am 500 Club 9am Quilters 9am Altar Guild Noon Mahjong meets in Garden Room 7pm A.A. <b>VBS THROUGH JULY 25 (9am-3pm)</b>	<b>23</b> 9:30am-Noon "Flying Solo" 10am Pastors' Study Group-Brainerd 1pm Staff Meeting 2-3pm Pre-Diabetes class 3-4:30pm Caregiver Support Group-Fireside Room <b>VBS 9am-3pm Outdoor worship site.</b>	<b>24</b> 10am Adult Bible Study Noon Bell Choir 1pm Knit Wits 3pm Stewardship Committee 4:30-5:15pm Adult Choir 5:15-6pm Choir rehearsal for Joseph musical <b>VBS 9am-3pm Outdoor worship site. BBQ 6 pm</b>	<b>25</b> 9-10:30am "Last Generation" practices in sanctuary  <b>VBS 9am-3pm (Closing program 2:30pm)</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28 Christmas in July</b> 8:30 am Worship 9:30 am Coffee/Fellowship 10 am Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion	<b>29</b> 9am Jul Fest Workshop 9am 500 Club 9am Quilters Noon Mahjong meets in Garden Room 7pm A.A.	<b>30</b> 9am-3pm Staff Retreat-offsite 2-3pm Pre-Diabetes class 10am Country Cross assembly	<b>31</b> 10am Adult Bible Study Noon Bell Choir 1pm Knit Wits 4:30-5:15pm Adult Choir 5:15-6pm Choir rehearsal for Joseph musical	<b>July 2019</b>		





# KID'S KORNER

“*Let the little children come to me.*” Mark 10:14

Look for the blue and green tents located somewhere in our worship area and that is where you will find **Kid's Korner** this summer. **Kid's Korner** is open throughout the worship service and is a place where children through 6th grade can come and do activities that are kid friendly. There will usually be a craft they can make that relates to the worship theme, books to read, coloring pages, children's worship activity sheets and toys to help them worship in an age-appropriate way.

There will be a person present throughout the worship hour to help guide the children. Parents can sit close to the tents, offering their children the option of going back and forth between you and **Kid's Korner**.

If you would like to volunteer to be present at the tents during worship, contact Karen Zeile, 248-709-0092.



## Camp Knutson Men's Work Party

The next Men's work group will take place on Friday, July 19th. We will be getting Camp Knutson all “spiffed up” for *Night Under the Stars*, a major fund-raising event for Camp K.

On Sunday, July 21st, we are looking for a few volunteers to help restore the camp to operating status, moving chairs and tables, some light cleaning, etc. If you would like to volunteer to help in this effort, we begin around 8:30 am.

Thanks to all who help to make Camp K an exciting and special place for the campers!



## “This is my Father's World”

art exhibit will be on display until Sunday, July 7. All artists are asked to pick up their art pieces following the 8:30 worship service, or as soon as possible after that day. Thanks to all participants!



## NEWS OF THE FAMILY

### *Prayers for Peace and Comfort:*

Shirley Gorg in the death of her sister, Violet Haugo, on May 31st in Wadena, MN.

The family of Lois Hendricks in their loss & sorrow.

The family of Kenneth Dubel in their loss & sorrow.

Ron & Dorothy Gerdes in the death of Ron's sister, Betty Lou, on June 6th in Osakis, MN.

The family of Erin Wurdeman in their loss & sorrow.



### **Memorial Services:**

Lois Hendricks, May 29th

Ken Dubel, June 11th

Erin Wurdeman, June 20th

# Thanks!

### *Crosslake Lutheran Church Family*

Thank you all so very much for all the support you have given me over the years. God has truly blessed me with such an amazing and supportive church family. It is an honor to be the son of Crosslake Lutheran, and I am forever grateful.

-In Christ, Austin Nelson

### *Pastoral Acts*

#### **Baptism:**

Norway Jean Luzar, June 2nd

Parents: Kellie & Neil Luzar

Sponsors: Beth & Nick Buckentin

## May Treasurer's Report

May	Actual	Budget	Difference	YTD	Actual	Budget	Difference
Revenues:	\$ 50,264	\$ 54,945	\$ (4,681)		\$ 216,553	\$ 253,483	\$ (36,930)
Expenses:	\$ 45,247	\$ 48,991	\$ 3,744		\$ 218,488	\$ 237,556	\$ 19,068
Difference:	\$ 5,017	\$ 5,954	\$ (937)		\$ (1,935)	\$ 15,927	\$ (17,862)



In the month of May, revenues exceed expenses by \$5,017.

YTD's performance is \$17,862 less than budget, because revenues are \$36,930 less than budget and expenses are \$19,068 less than budget.

Complete financial reports are available in the finance mailbox.



We are looking for co-secretary and co-chairman for this season and next to join our WELCA family. Following is the job description for each position.

The co-chairman will set the agenda for board meetings in discussion of topics and entertainment for upcoming general WELCA meetings in months of April, May, June, September, October, November, and December. She should be organized, comfortable leading meeting, and able to delegate duties as needed.

The co-secretary will attend and take notes at board meetings, which are usually the 1st Monday of the month, (as shown above) and assist in planning the topics and entertainment. She is responsible for placing notices in the bulletins, Country Cross, or bulletin board of upcoming meetings and events.

The first year, September 2019 to 2020, is spent going to the meetings observing and

learning the process. The following year, you will take the lead. Becoming part of the WELCA leadership team is a great learning experience and a way to really get to know your sisters in Christ.

Please consider accepting on of these positions. Contact Paulette Wilske at [poolette@gmail.com](mailto:poolette@gmail.com) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer for one of the positions. Thank you.



**Grandchildren Sunday,  
July 14th at Outdoor Worship**

**Come join us to celebrate  
grandchildren and  
FREE Ice cream!**

# Our Members & Friends in the Military

SSG DUSTIN BENSON, grandson of Jeff & Bonnie Benson—Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, NM

MAJOR ANDREW BURNS, son-in-law of Kim and Karen Zeile—Test Pilot School, Pax River Navy Base

MAJOR MICHAEL FAZIO, Son-in-law of Mike & Laurie Ridgley—Walter Reed Army Hospital, Maryland

CAPTAIN TYSON GERDES, grandson of Ron & Dorothy Gerdes—Alaska

LT. COLONEL TIMOTHY HELFRICH, son-in-law of Kim and Karen Zeile—Hanscom Air Force Base, Concord, MA

SGT. TIMOTHY NEAL, son of Ron & Cheryl Neal—Fort Leonard Wood, MO

AIRMAN FIRST CLASS BRANDON PRYOR, son of Ron & Michelle Schmidt

PETTY OFFICER SECOND CLASS MICHAEL PUCKETT, nephew of Joe & Shirley Gorg, Navy, North Africa

EM3 ALEX SENST, son of Karen & Neal Senst, Navy—Yokosuka Navel Station, Japan

SENIOR AIRMAN JONATHON SOUTHWELL, son-in-law of Ron & Michelle Schmidt—Grand Forks, ND Air Force Base

SGT MITCHELL TOLLEFSON, grandson of Ramona Sandberg. US Army—Fort Lewis, WA

LT. JARED WEDEL, son-in-law of Karen & Duane Boehler—NAS Corpus Christi, TX

SALLY E. WHITE, granddaughter of Jack Johnson. Air Force—Saudi Arabia

JULIE WILHELMI & DAN NICHOLS, niece & nephew-in-law of Vickey Leonard— Dulles Airport, VA (Julie) Pentagon, VA (Dan)



*PRAYER CALENDAR: Please remember these people in prayer on their Birthday and/or Anniversary.*

## July Birthdays

- 7/1 Josh Foote, Sarah Myogeto, Kyle Oltmann,  
Rosie Pearson, David Wiltsey
- 7/2 Al Thorpe, Zeppelin Thull
- 7/3 Karen Larson, Joan Riordan, Carrie Sposito
- 7/4 Marilyn Carlson, Diana Gallaway
- 7/5 Charlie Box, Jonathon Henry, Kevin Larson,  
Ivan Millard
- 7/6 Elsie Anderson, Kelli Engstrom, Maverick  
Engstrom, Brian Hanson, Gail Nelson
- 7/8 Mark Puschinsky
- 7/9 Mark Bialon, Marlene Eckholm, Richard Irish,  
Jessica Koch
- 7/10 Hannah Allen, Michael Clasen, Marlene Kjera,  
Pat Rogness, Alaina Rossum
- 7/11 Karla Garin
- 7/12 Kathleen Fields, Alaina Freiberg, Jack  
Heidman, Lola Johnson, Barry Palm,  
Addison Rau
- 7/13 Eric Lundborg, Jessa Tohm
- 7/14 Mercedes Engstrom, Eric Gyllenblad,  
Roger Mastin
- 7/15 David F. Hart, Jr.
- 7/16 Bryan Held, Duane Lennartson,  
Chip Lohmiller
- 7/17 Joanne Huckle, Kay Schuette, Paul Tender
- 7/18 Bob Buresh, Shari Carlson
- 7/19 Braydyn Brynteson, Judd Knippel
- 7/20 Bobbi Anderson, Cortney Chambers,  
Edwin Hansen
- 7/21 Brad Person
- 7/22 Pat Bengston, Darrell Swanson, Kathy Swanson
- 7/23 Kim Anderson, Carrie Swanson
- 7/24 Sydney Balmer
- 7/25 Brandon Andersen
- 7/26 Madison Michaelson, Anna Larson,  
JoAnn Maas, Penny Skog, Don Wetter
- 7/27 Ernie Byerly, Joel Harmala, Devin Lundmark
- 7/28 Jan Benson
- 7/29 Toni Nelson
- 7/30 Marge Abell, Beau Engstrom, James Nelson,  
Sonja Palm
- 7/31 Shirley Johnson, Karen Talbott

## July Anniversaries

- 7/2 Mark & Donna Puschinsky
- 7/6 Larry & Kathy Allen  
Wayne & Carolyn Hegna
- 7/7 Stan & Shirley Michal
- 7/8 Rick & Ann Flaws
- 7/13 Steve & Rene Millner
- 7/14 Darrell & Susan Swanson
- 7/15 Ron & Sally Helmer
- 7/17 David & Kris Gardinier
- 7/19 Mark & Cindy Bialon
- 7/21 Tim & Natalee Bray
- 7/24 Mike & Cindy Myogeto  
Salvatore & Carrie Sposito
- 7/25 Roland & Mary Hirman
- 7/27 Devin & Kathy Lundmark  
Patrick & Deanne Trottier
- 7/28 Ron & Carol Germann  
David & Connie Johnson
- 7/29 Paul & Cynthia Linder
- 7/30 Dave & Lory Delgehausen



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**July 2019**



Sunday, July 28th

**Christmas in July!**

*(Both Indoor & Outdoor  
Worship Services)*