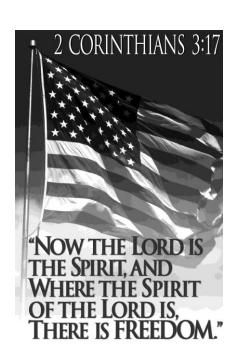
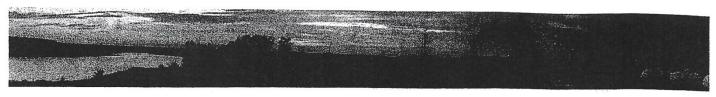
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AN UPDATE ON JOY RANCH

The Lutherans Outdoors Board, after much consideration and deliberation, has determined that Joy Ranch, a beautiful site with many amenities, does not fit our operational model of seasonal outdoor camping ministries.

As a result, Lutherans Outdoors has entered into a Transfer Agreement with a new 501(c)3 organization in Watertown, subject to contingencies. A Watertown-based organization will be better positioned to operate Joy Ranch into the future and create and deliver the programming that will make it successful. Lutherans Outdoors will now be able to invest its resources into NeSoDak, Outlaw Ranch, and Klein Ranch and ensure successful Christ-centered ministry for future generations.

"Over the years the market for church camps has continued to change, making it more challenging for Lutherans Outdoors to maintain and operate multiple camp settings. Three of our camps have defined summer seasons, which can be staffed accordingly, with shoulder seasons in spring and fall for church groups and family retreats.

Joy Ranch, however, has more investment in infrastructure which requires it to operate year-round in order to be successful. This is significantly different than our model for NeSoDak, Klein Ranch, and Outlaw Ranch, making it more difficult to fit into our portfolio of camp offerings. Given our need to be good stewards of limited resources, we believe it best to seek another entity to operate Joy Ranch that can more broadly define its program offerings and make it successful and sustainable into the future."

- Annelies Seffrood, Rob Oliver & Members of the Lutherans Outdoors Joy Ranch Task Force

Lutherans Outdoors is proud to have been a partner with Joy Nelson and her generous vision for this beautiful property that increases the quality of life for all who gather. Lutherans Outdoors thanks the thousands of supporters who have participated in the development of Joy Ranch. With these changes, Lutherans Outdoors is confident that Joy Ranch will be successful into the future and will faithfully honor its many supporters.

The net proceeds from the transfer of Joy Ranch will be used by Lutherans Outdoors to further support the ministries of NeSoDak, Klein Ranch and Outlaw Ranch.

"Joy Nelson, representing Joy Ranch of South Dakota, wishes to thank Lutherans Outdoors for their years of work in the start-up of Joy Ranch and wish them much success with their other existing camps. Joy Ranch of South Dakota wants to assure all the visitors, participants, and donors of Joy Ranch that the mission as initially presented will most definitely continue with the new entity in addition to even more programs for quality of life issues for people. We sincerely hope you will continue to come to Joy Ranch and Lutherans Outdoors has expressed an interest in continuing some of their camps at Joy Ranch with the new entity. Upon transfer, Joy Ranch of South Dakota will be provided with the contact info for all of you and you will all be hearing from us at that time about the new exciting future for Joy Ranch of South Dakota. Our motto will continue as well to everyone "All Are Welcome". We look forward to seeing you there." - Joy Nelson

JULY BETHESDA WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Usher	Reader	Organist	Worship Helper	
7/4	At Butler				
7/11		Kay	Kathryn		
7/18	At Butler				
7/25		Gayle H	Gail H		
Altar Guild: Gail Huwe & Janel Lone					
Deacon: Pam Dylla					

Bethesda Financial Report

Needed weekly to meet the budget: \$1,218.80

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>
short \$683.80	\$535.00	5/31/2021
short \$1,048.80	\$170.00	6/6/2021
long \$946.20	\$2,165.00	6/13/2021
short \$812.83	\$402.97	6/20/2021

As of June 20, 2021

Total 2021 yearly receipts:	\$33,803.28	
Total 2021 yearly disbursements:	\$33,662.87	

If your check/offering is for some fund other than the general fund please design on the memo line or put a note with the check/offering. Thank you

Remember the church when you are paying your monthly bills. The church expenses continue even when you are not attending church services locally.

JULY BUTLER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Ushers	Readers	Worship Helper
7/4	Paul & Larry	Julaine	
7/11	At Bethesda		
7/18	Paul & Larry	Julie	
7/25	At Bethesda		



July 1	Knox Schiley	July 10	Kyle Hubsch
July 1	Kylie Schiley	July 11	Kevin Burkel
July 1	Theresa Hansmeier	July 12	Wesley Nolte
July 1	Katy Wickre	July 12	Evangeline Nolte
July 1	Glenda Bakken	July 12	Sara Vedvei
July 2	Jim Peterson	July 14	Jane Goehring
July 3	Pat Sass	July 15	Lloyd Johnson
July 5	David Orr	July 18	Judy Williamson
July 6	Morrie Bartell	July 19	Karah Burkel
July 8	Cambria Bonn	July 27	Carol Raap
July 9	Karley Lone	July 29	Adalyn Schnaible
July 10	Muriel Bohn	July 31	Kyle Whitmyre

We apologize if we missed your birthday. Please let us know and we will include it on our list for next year. Birthday blessings to you.

July newsletter postage is sponsored by Al & Jane Goehring.



July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Services will be live streamed on the BethesdaButler FaceBook page when possible.			Celebrate America! HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY	1	2	3
4 6th Sunday after Pentecost (green) 9am Worship at Butler with Diane Hoines	6:30 PM Butler WELCA	6	7	8	9	Bristol School Reunion
11 7th Sunday after Pentecost (green) 9am Worship at Bethesda with Diane Hoines	God Pless the USA!	13	6 PM Bethesda Church Council	15	16	17
18 8th Sunday after Pentecost (green) 9am Communion Worship at Butler with Diane Hoines	19	August Newsletter items due	21 WELCA Ladies' Luncheon 10:30 Silent Auction Noon Luncheon	22	23	24
25 9th Sunday after Pentecost (green) 9am Communion Worship at Bethesda with Rev. Michael Jacobson Noisy Can Offering	26	27	28	29	30	31

"Tea—A Taste of Happiness"

"O taste and see that the Lord is good!"

Psalms 34:8



Ladies' Luncheon

Bethesda Lutheran Church, Bristol

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

By Bethesda Women of the ELCA

Silent Auction opens at 10:30

Skit by the WELCA members

Luncheon at Noon—Door Prizes

\$10.00 advance tickets please, call:

Kay Espeland 605-492-3507

Alice Jean Peterson 605-216-2835

Or contact any WELCA member



"TEA-A TASTE OF HAPPINESS"

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WELCA Luncheon July 21, 2021

Door prizes may be left in the west room in the basement.

Lunch tickets are \$10.00 and will be for sale in June.

All church women are reminded to buy a ticket AND give \$10 to help defray the cost of the luncheon.



July 4

July 11

Ezekiel 2:1-5
Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

<u>July 18</u>

July 25

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34,53-56 2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-18 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21

HELP WANTED

Bethesda Butler Parish Secretary

- Computer skills needed with knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel
- Compile and print weekly bulletin, monthly newsletter, annual reports
- Update Facebook and the website
- Keep records of baptisms, weddings, funerals
- Order and pick up supplies
- Miscellaneous duties as needed
- Approximately 10 hours/week which can be done part at home and part at the churches
- Communication skills are required

Complete list of duties available at the church. Contact Robin Anderson or Travis Antonsen or sent your resume to Bethesda Lutheran Church PO Box 426 Bristol, SD 57219 if interested

The church bulletins are being printed on Mondays during this time of transition. Please get your announcements to Carol Raap at cjaner@nvc.net or text 605-216-6959 by Sunday. If they come in after Monday they will be verbally announced.

Call Committee Report

The parish ministry site profile has been sent to the Synod. The next step is the synod will schedule a site study. Butler's Call committee members are Travis, Wayne and Darcie. Bethesda's members are Robin, Kyle, Vickie and Jill.

VBS Thank You

Thank you to everyone who volunteered with the VBS program June 14-17. Bethesda had 13 children participate. The Sunday School provided pizza and fruit cups for the Tuesday evening meal. A fun time was had by all at the SonWest Roundup.

Emergency Pastoral Contacts

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deka50@gmail.com

Pastor Allie Smith

American Lutheran Church

Webster, SD

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BUTLER WELCA

The Butler WELCA met at the church on June 6, 2021 at 6:30 pm with 6 members present. Bible Study was "Faith is the Victory" from 1 John 5: 1-12. We read the WELCA Purpose Statement. Secretary's report was read and approved.

Treasurers Report:

May Offering: \$60.00 General Fund: \$2304.95 Altar Fund: \$85.46

Mission Action report: Our next project is School Kits. We will do 50 Kits. The Synod WELCA meeting will be virtual this year on June 20th. We will send \$50.00 for the Love Offering and \$50.00 for the General Offering. Our next meeting will be Monday, July 5th at 6:30 pm at the Church. We closed with praying The Lord's Prayer.

Carol Flattum, Secretary

BETHESDA WELCA

Bethesda WELCA met at 7:30 on June 9, 2021. Our program was a rehearsal for our July luncheon entertainment. It was a time of laughter and more laughter. Bonnie Dolney and Jane Goehring presided over the business meeting. The Purpose Statement was read by the members. The secretary's report and the treasurer's reports were read and approved. Kay Espeland reported on a call she received from the synod treasurer thanking our WELCA for the Laundry with Love generous donation.

Mission report: **We need towels and combs for Personal Care kits**. Kay reported they have made 8 more children's quilts from the tops the Minnesota friends send the quilters. The luncheon was discussed at length. In July it will be our annual luncheon on July 21st. Tickets are \$10.00 and available from Kay Espeland, Alice Jean Peterson, and Bonnie Dolney.

Prayer concerns are George Dolney, Bruce Anderson, Gail Sjurson Formanack, Danny Lone, Al Goehring, Erik House, Muriel Bohn, and Shirley Huwe. Prayers are also needed for help in finding a pastor, a secretary for our church, and for our country.

The Lord's Prayer was prayed and the table prayer was sung before Pam Dylla served cheese, cervelat, and crackers and a delicious dessert.

Our August meeting will be the 11th at 7:30 p.m. Gayle Horter will be in charge of the program and Vickie Zimmerman will be the hostess.

Secretary Pro-Tem, Kathryn Bury