



Special Occasions

Dear Galilee church family,

Grace and peace from our Savior Jesus Christ be with you all.

I'm delighted to be your interim pastor for a couple of months, getting to know Galilee's culture and dynamics. Thank you for the opportunity, and for being patient with me. What an exciting time, thinking about the new thing God is doing, bringing us together for whatever He has in mind!

The month of May is a special month for Galilee Lutheran Church. We celebrate three special occasions:

First, Pentecost Day. Everyone is invited to join our service on May 19th to remember that He put His Spirit in your heart to allow you to live a life that is obedient to Him and give you the power and the strength that you would need to serve Him here in this fallen world. The Holy Spirit has been sent into the world to do ministry by drawing believers to Himself, drawing those who do not know Jesus to the Father, and sanctifying those who are called to live a life of godliness... to be children of God. When God calls us into ministry, it is not a task that we can do on our own. In fact, it is almost always a task that exceeds our human strength, but He has given us the power of the Holy Spirit that works in us and through us to accomplish ministry.

Second, Galilee's 64th Anniversary. One great way to celebrate a church anniversary? The entire congregation can come together in joy and fellowship. Galilee's Anniversary is not only a time for reflection, but also an opportunity to renew faith; to contemplate our vision for the future; to rekindle our commitment to God's purpose for the church. Happy Anniversary, Galilee!!!

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability

Acts 2:4



AROUND OUR CHURCH

YOUNG AT HEART

For a variety of reasons, Young at Heart did not meet during March. Therefore, in April we celebrated birthdays (with a carrot cake) for Sandy Altendorfer (a month late) and Karen Groebner.



We are blessed with some great cooks here at Galilee, so our lunches are both good and plentiful. We were privileged to have Pastor Jacqueline Belzer join us on April 9th and feel blessed to have her here for these two months.

We will be meeting in the library (ready to eat) at 1pm on Tuesdays, May 14 and May 28. We enjoy socializing/getting to know each other better, so if you are available, we would love to have you join us. If you have any questions, call Karen at 651-488-9074 - or - Sharell at 651-746-9074.



GALILADIES Ardis Haslach

At our April meeting we had a delicious lunch together. Mostly Mexican food.

We had a nice size group and had a very welcome visitor, Rev. Jacqueline Belzer.

We taught crocheting to those who wanted to learn.

We had a short meeting after lunch. Decided for our May 16th meeting we will have a "High Tea" get together. We will serve many kinds of salads, tea sandwich's, bars, coffee, & tea. All will be served on China tea sets. If your interested in coming please call Ardis or Sandy.



Symbols of Pentacost

The feast day celebrates the descending of the Holy Spirit on Mary and the apostles after the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus. It marks the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world.

Wind: Representing God's first breath of love (Ruah) into all of creation. A "driving wind" surrounded the apostles on that first Pentecost to strengthen them in their faith. The breath of the Holy Spirit - and sometimes a gusting wind - strengthens and challenges God's people on their faith journey.

Fire: Representing the Holy Spirit, who filled the apostles with enthusiasm, replacing their fear with the courage to go forth and share Christ's story. "Tongues of fire ... came to rest on each one of them."

Red: The color of liturgical vestments on Pentecost, representing the dynamism of the Holy Spirit and the zeal of those who open their hearts to the Spirit.

Water: Representing new life and the commitment first made at the time of our baptism and renewed throughout our faith lives.

Dove: Representing the Holy Spirit that descended "like a dove" and hovered over Jesus when he was baptized.

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SPECIAL OCCASIONS

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Third, Mother's Day. This year we are celebrating on the same day as Galilee's anniversary.....May 12th. It is amazing!!! We celebrate mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, stepmothers, adopted mothers, mother earth, Mother God, and all persons that had a role as mothers in our lives. Happy Mother's Day!!!!

Gratefully yours in Christ,
Interim Pastor- Jacqueline I. Belzer



Thank you to everyone who contributed to MN FoodShare in March. We donated over 150 pounds of food to the Indian Works program through Interfaith Action. Their food shelf is located on Centerville Road in Little Canada. We needed to find a new place since Keystone closed their food shelf on Rice Street in January. Then Galilee members also donated over \$600 for Keystone's main program on University Avenue. Outreach donated another \$750. You are all very generous!

Pastor Dana is on leave through May 31st

Galilee's Interim Pastor:
Rev. Jacqueline Belzer
Her cell phone is 612-703-4752
Her email is belzer61@gmail.com

GROWING THROUGH LOSS

Provides an opportunity to obtain information and support for grief and loss issues. Sessions continue the first two Mondays in May: 5/6 & 5/13 at Christ the King Lutheran Church in New Brighton. 6:45pm-9pm. Questions? Margie: 763-755-5335.

May 6: Recalibrating Your Life after Loss
May 13: Prayer and Healing Service



CHURCH CLEAN-UP !

Saturday, May 18. Please join us for a morning (9-12) of cleaning inside and outside the church. Bring your gloves, rakes, sponges, brooms, rags, etc. Lunch provided about noon!



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ENJOYABLE EVENING SERIES

The Enjoyable Evening Series has been such a success! Past events have included a Beatles sing-a-long, beautiful Aztec dancers and a Jazz band. Attendance has been large and diverse - come join in the fun!!

Monday, May 13, 7pm - North Suburban Chorus - Their program includes a variety of "old standards" (40s & 50s), as well as "Pop Tunes" (60s & 70s). Also, this wonderful group commonly includes Broadway Show Tunes & Patriotic songs.

Monday, June 10, 7pm - "One For the Road" trio - Carole King/James Taylor classics. Come enjoy these memorable songs.

More events will be posted on Galilee's website & in future newsletters. Spread the word to family and friends.

GALILEE SUNDAY SCHOOL
GLOBE OFFERING

Our collection so far this year is \$431. Way to go, Galilee! This will be such a blessing to those suffering in Ukraine. Thanks for your generosity!

SPONSORED STUDENTS



What a joy to see "our" students. These Uhominyi, Tanzania youth are sponsored by Galilee and their smiling faces are a beautiful tribute to you all.....Praise God!



BE THE CHANGE!

Ever wish you could do something to change the world but you get discouraged because there's only one of you and you don't know where to begin? Well, chances are you can't change the world all by yourself, at least not all at once. But you can change it, one act of kindness at a time.

Consider these ways you can change the world. It only takes

- * One compliment to make someone feel appreciated
- * One visit or call to end someone's loneliness
- * One show of trust to make someone feel trustworthy
- * One offer of hope to end someone's hopelessness
- * One request for help to make someone feel needed
- * One person listening to make someone feel important
- * One burst of laughter to make others want to join in
- * One outstretched hand to pull someone to safety
- * One person caring to make someone feel valuable
- * One act of forgiveness to erase someone's guilt
- * One hug to make someone feel huggable



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SAVE THE DATES



Saturday, June 1st

MN United "Loons" soccer game
Allainz field - 7:30pm

Enjoy fun-filled, food-filled fellowship at a soccer game when our MN Loons take on Kansas City. Sign up sheet is in brown book on narthex info station. We bought 15 tickets - - Only a few spots are left! Let's cheer on our Loons.



June 28-30

Bay Lake Camp
(16257 Brighton Pt Rd, Deerwood, MN 56444) is on an island, about 2 hours away.

It provides home cooked meals every day, cabins and a lodge for sleeping, indoor plumbing and hot showers. Fun activities indoors and out... lake swimming, kayaking, canoeing, pontoon rides, fishing. Also, baseball, soccer, frisbee, basketball. Crafts, board games, puzzles, campfire, singing. There will be a worship service along the lakeshore on Sunday morning. We will be leaving from Galilee Lutheran Church on Friday afternoon June 28, returning to the church on Sunday afternoon June 30.



LBGTQ+ Monthly Support Group

Continuing through the year, this group will now meet every second Tuesday from 6-8pm. May 14th is our next meeting. We are a safe and affirming group. Anyone is welcome to attend.

APRIL COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

- Here are some items we discussed at the council meeting:
- Introduced Pastor Belzer to council
 - Changes to the Sunday service to keep within the hour
 - Estimate on the door in the library to replace window or door
 - Spring cleanup on Saturday May 18th
 - Replacing edging for playground
 - Steeple has a couple of lights out
 - Enjoyable Evening Series Gideon was fantastic! Cherie is looking for a mariachi band
 - Blood drive on Wednesday April 17th

That wraps it up for April's meeting. Everyone have a GREAT May!
CarolAnn Hart

CARING FOR MOTHER EARTH

With Earth Day behind us, how can Galilee do its share of earth care? Well, we've added a "Battery Recycle" to our many other recycle tubs. Why batteries? **If tossed in the trash, batteries corrode & decay at landfills, releasing dangerous chemicals into the earth!** Let's do our part, spreading the word about battery harm.

Please bring in *any type* of battery that has "died" and place it in the bucket in our Narthex. Mother Earth thanks you. Future generations thank you!



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Next blood drive date is:
Wednesday June 26, 2024 11am to 5pm.
Please sign up on the Red Cross website at:
<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Galilee>

And thanks to all who came to our April 17th blood drive. Galilee collected 22 pints of life-saving blood!

WORSHIP & EDUCATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

MAY 5
6th Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

MAY 12
7th Sunday of Easter
Acts 1:15-17,21-26
Psalm 1
1 John 5:9-13
John 17:6-19

MAY 19
Day of Pentacost
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34,35b
Romans 8:22-27
John 15:26-27;16:4b-15

MAY 26
The Holy Trinity
Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17
John 3:1-17

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sundays 11:15am -12noon
downstairs.

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday Bible Studies begin
again - - - 2pm in the Library with
Pastor Belzer! The topic will be the
Gospel reading for the upcoming
Sunday Worship.
Bring your curiosity! Bring your
questions! Most of all, bring YOU!



Communion Assistants

May 5 Barb Strengen
May 12 Ass't Minister Becky
May 19 Darla Nelson
May 26 Ass't Minister Lori

Lectors

May 5 Jay Fehrman
May 12 Joan Jarombek
May 19 Teresa Shores
May 26 CarolAnn Hart

Ushers

May 5 Zrust/Watson
May 12 O'Keefes
May 19 Petersons
May 26 Solbergs

Prayer List

Madeline Johnson
Nancy Seefert Tomczyk & Nick
James Hart
Dave Bersagel (Shari Sailer friend)
Dan Nerud
Randall Strand
Ginger Whitman (Justin B's mom)
Mary Lanoux
Janis Behrens (Ron's sister)
Sherry Sanders' family
Brenna O'Keefe
Lolita Welde (O'Keefe's Niece)
Janet Swenson (Paul's sister)
Sandy Altendorfer
George Beeks
MN Faith Chinese Lutheran Church
St. Paul Friends Nepali Church
Uhominyi Lutheran Church in Iringa,
Tnza

Prayer List cont....

Family & friends of Barb Ososki
Family & friends of Roberta Bohn
Family & friends of Jerry Brown
Family & friends of Hasan Gunawan
(Rev Laura Tsen's brother)
Family & friends of Brenda Draughn
(Sheika Taylor's mom)
Family & friends of Robyn Bergeron
(Swenson's niece)
Family & friends of Rosie Lindstrom (Darla)
Family & friends of Michelle Johnson
(Tiffany & Miranda)
Family & friends of Terry Folkenson
(Lorrie Hayne's brother)





May Birthdays

4 Caroline Herman
5 Jeanette Uran
6 Terry O'Keefe
6 Kitty Fisch
7 Amy Wood
14 Jean Schneider
15 Dashawn Nunn
17 Joyce Solberg
19 Bill Friberg
20 Sonia Rivas
23 Howard French
26 Sharell Babin
26 Roger Ettel
27 George Beeks



MAY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal	2 8:30a TSE training 6p Property Team mtg	3 7p Chinese Bible Study	4 6a Chinese prayer 9a Ham Radio Group 12p Aztec Dancers
5 CINCO DE MAYO 9a Prayers for Healing 9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Faith Chinese Lutheran 11a Galilee Education Hour 1p Friends Church	6	7 10a Donut Group 7p Worship/Music Team Mtg	8 1p Villa Park Devotns 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal (last) 6:30p SP Clowns	9 8:30a TSE training 6:30p Council mtg	10 7p Chinese Bible Study	11 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Aztec Dancers
12 MOTHER'S DAY 9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Galilee Education Hour 11a MFCLC 1p Friends Church	13 7p Enjoyable Evening	14 10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 6-8p LGBTQ+ Support Group	15 VOICE ARTICLES 2p Bible Study.	16 12p GaliLadies	17 7p Chinese Bible Study	18 6a Chinese Prayer 9a-12 Spring Clean Up 11a Aztec Dancers
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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 2024

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2024 Congregational Council

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We share the air.

At Galilee, we
STRIVE to be
fragrance-free!

SHOBI'S TABLE IS BACK 12NOON - 1PM:



Tuesdays: 105 University Ave. W., St. Paul 55103 (In Back)

Wednesdays: SW corner of Rice & Larpenteur, St. Paul.

Thursdays: 499 Charles Ave, St Paul, 55103

(Parking lot west side of Faith Lutheran Church)

Fridays: Bethlehem Lutheran Midway, 436 N. Roy St. St Paul, 55104 or
Allianz Field (if no event)

GALILEE'S MISSION STATEMENT

To gather people together to hear the story of God's love in Jesus Christ, to be nurtured in faith and knowledge, and to share the Good News through word and deed.

To submit information for publication in the monthly VOICE newsletter, to be posted on our website, or to receive the VOICE newsletter by e-mail, send information and/or e-mail address to the church office at: office.galilee@gmail.com. Articles must be received by the 15th of each month.