



2024 Globe Offering

Dear People of Galilee,

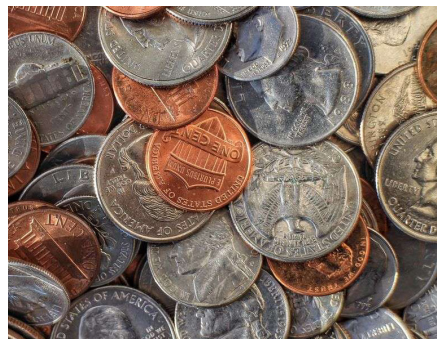
Grace and Peace be with you. Our Sunday school children have selected the mission for the globe offering this year. I am excited to tell you that they want to feed and help the suffering people in Ukraine. This is a very noble, compassionate, thoughtful goal that Dylan Solberg and our Sunday school kids have come up with.

Therefore, with the help of our Sunday school teachers, we have specifically selected the ELCA's "Eastern Europe Crisis Response". 100% of the money we collect in the globe in 2024 will be used for supporting people affected by the conflict in the region. We will be helping to provide supplies such as food, blankets, water, and toiletries. Thank you for leading us dear Sunday school kids!

Let us pray: Merciful God, we pray for peace as war rages in Ukraine. Shelter all living in fear; protect those seeking refuge in neighboring countries; sustain families separated by the horrors of war; tend to those who are injured; comfort all who mourn their dead. Direct your people into the way of peace. Amen.

“Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin?”

Isaiah 58:6-7



AROUND OUR CHURCH

YOUNG AT HEART



Please join us, ready to eat, at 1:00 on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, followed by socialization and board games.

Sandy Altendorfer will be celebrating her birthday this month. She has been plagued with bronchial asthma recently, and we pray she is better soon and can be back with us to celebrate the occasion.

Steve Groebner says "with hardly no snow so far this winter (and I haven't missed it) we're just waiting for more warm weather, and rain, but no more snow."

With all the hoopla we hear about age, Sharell was rather amused when she collected her mail this week and found a Jury Summons to appear in Ramsey County District Court on April 1st. She said "I'm an octogenarian, and have served on juries in past years."

Daylight Savings Time takes place March 10th. It's great to enjoy more daylight each day.

Hope to see you March 12th & 26th. If you have any questions, call Karen at 651-488-9074.



GALILADIES Ardis Haslach

Being we had a snow storm on the 15th we put GaliLadies off a week, and met on the 22nd. We had a very nice lunch. After dessert we had our meeting, then signed Easter cards for

Harmony Gardens. We have 90 cards made. Judy will take them to the care center a week before Easter. Plus she will take extra cards for them to use as they wish. We decided for our March meeting we will teach crocheting. Different gals have said they'd like to learn and some of us know how.

We will do different projects. A fun day is planned.

Also for our March meeting our lunch plan will be Irish foods or beverages.

Anyone thinking about joining our group please do so... third Thursday of the month.



EASTER VICTORY GARDEN

You are invited to purchase a lily to display in Galilee's Victory Garden on Easter Sunday. Please complete the order form below, clip out, and place in the offering plate, give to Barb Strenge or Sharell Babin, or mail to Galilee Lutheran Church by Sunday, March 10.

The cost is \$13.00 for each plant ordered, and may be paid by cash or check. Please make checks payable to: Galilee Altar Guild. The plant(s) may be given in memory of your loved ones or in honor of someone living.

Quantity _____ Payment attached _____

Name: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Proceeds benefit the Galilee Altar Guild. Thank you!



AROUND OUR CHURCH



Celebration of Life
was held February 16, 2024 for
Roberta Bohn

Roberta was born 7/9/85 and passed away on
January 31, 2024.

May she rest in perpetual peace.



LBGTQ+ Monthly Support Group

NOTE: New week day & time. Continuing through the year, this group will now meet every second Tuesday from 6-8pm. March 12th is our next meeting. We are a safe and affirming group. Anyone is welcome to attend. If you have questions, or want to reach out before our next meeting, please contact Steve Bartz.



ANNUAL EASTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 31st. 7:30am-9am

Bring friends.....extended family.....neighbors. Join us for fellowship & food, prior to our 9:30am Easter worship.

Cost: \$5/person (children under 5 years old eat free!)
Monies raised will support our Property Fund.
Advance ticket sales: following Sunday services on
March 17 & March 24. See CarolAnn Hart for tickets.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS!

Every Wednesday during Lent we will gather for Holden Evening Prayer and a simple soup supper. We will worship for about 20 minutes, beginning at 5pm in the sanctuary, and move to the library afterwards to serve soup & bread. A sign-up poster to help out is in the narthex.

Thank you for attending! Soup Suppers are an excellent time to bring visitors and guests to church.

Holden Evening Prayer 5pm

Soup Supper 5:30pm

DATES: Wednesday, March 6, 13, 20



AROUND OUR CHURCH

ENJOYABLE EVENING SERIES

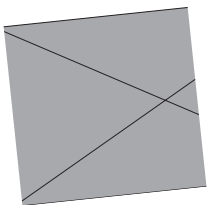
The Enjoyable Evening Series has been such a success! Past events have included a Beatles sing-a-long, beautiful Aztec dancers and a Jazz band. Attendance has been large and diverse - come join in the fun!!

Monday, March 11, 7pm - Pad the Road band - This Celtic band performs music from around the Irish Sea (Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales). In true Irish tradition, audience participation is highly encouraged!

Monday, April 8, 7pm - Dedication of our Baby Grand Piano - A piano concert will be presented to dedicate our beautiful baby grand piano. Several professional pianists will perform, including Galilee's Music Director Paul Swenson.

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.

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



Refreshment Volunteers Still Needed

Thanks for a great start in 2024, having new volunteers bring & serve refreshments after Sunday services. Let's keep it up, wonderful people of Galilee. The signup sheet is located in the brown folder on the Narthex info shelf. Appreciate sharing your time (& goodies).



MARCH IS MN FOODSHARE MONTH

In conjunction with MN FoodShare, for the month of March Galilee Outreach is holding a food drive. All money and food donated go to Keystone Food Shelves, which is located south of Galilee on Rice Street.

By donating money your dollar will stretch even further. You can donate by check or cash. Please make checks payable to: Galilee. In the memo line, write MN FoodShare. You may put the checks or cash into your offering envelope or in the MN FoodShare envelopes located by the poster in the narthex. Put all envelopes into the offering plate. Just identify what amount is regular offering and what is for the food drive. We will collect during the entire month of March. Many companies will give additional support to our donations just during that month.

If you would like to donate food, please put food in the wagon located in the narthex.

Thank you from the Outreach Team

STRETCH YOUR DONATION

YOUR \$10 FOOD DONATION vs. **YOUR \$10 FINANCIAL DONATION**

GIVE MORE BY MAKING A CASH DONATION TO YOUR LOCAL FOOD SHELF.

Financial donations go far further than food because they fund food bank programs, allowing them to serve the greatest number of people in their community.

MN Food Share logo and local food bank logos are visible at the bottom.

AROUND OUR CHURCH

FEBRUARY COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

Our first meeting for 2024 with our new council went very well, here are some items we discussed:

- Sue's office hours M, W, TH 9-1
- Yearly audit
- Easter breakfast
- Sanctuary altar riser
- Mowing service
- Spring cleanup
- Blood drive
- 2024 globe offering
- Enjoyable Evening Series
- MN FoodShare
- Council retreat

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

SAVE THE DATES

Fri-Sun, April 12-14 Women's Retreat at Luther Crest, Alexandria, MN with Pastor Brenda Boogren. Two nights, four meals (Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner; Sunday brunch), \$164. Two people per room.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Next blood drive date is:
Wednesday April 17, 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 February 7th blood drive. Galilee collected 26 pints of life-saving blood!

Hunger Facts in MINNESOTA

- Feeding America reports that 390,000 Minnesotans are facing hunger. 30% of these individuals are under the age of 18.
- Minnesotans made a record-breaking 7.5 million visits to food shelves in 2023. This is up 36.4% from the previous record of 5.5 million visits in 2022, and up 102% from 3.7 million visits in 2021.
- Annual visits to food shelves are now more than double the rates of pre-pandemic visits.
- Food insecurity is present in all 87 Minnesota counties, but is highest in the counties of Mahnommen, Ramsey, Beltrami, and Blue Earth.
- Food stamp enrollment by Minnesotans in 2023 was the highest it has been since 2016.
- Pounds of food distributed by Minnesota food shelves rose by 10% in 2023.
- In 2023, food prices increased by 5.8% nationally.
- Foods most impacted by inflation included beef, fresh fruits, fats and oils, and cereal and bakery items.

Minnesota's charitable food system (food shelves and food banks, meal programs, etc.) continues to run at capacity. Increased food prices, growing inflation rates, and slowing wage growth have put a significant financial strain on Minnesotans, making it increasingly difficult to maintain food security throughout the year. Though the state has taken measures to decrease hunger in 2024—including an additional \$5 million in funding for Minnesota's seven food banks and implementation of the Free School Meals bill—massive leaps in food shelf attendance over the last five years suggest emergency food assistance providers will continue to be a critical resource to communities across the state.

ADULT FORUM 11:00AM - LIBRARY

- March 3:** Promoting the Common Good: Access to Voting by Elen Swenson & Constance Gruen
- March 10:** Jonathan House & IAFR - Bethany Ringdal
- March 17:** Joyful Generosity
- March 24:** PALM SUNDAY
- March 31:** PANCAKE BREAKFAST/EASTER SUNDAY

WORSHIP & EDUCATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

MARCH 3

3rd Sunday Sunday in Lent
Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

MARCH 10

4th Sunday in Lent
Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

MARCH 17

5th Sunday of Lent
Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 51:1-12
Hebrews 5:5-10
John 12:20-33

MARCH 24

Palm Sunday
Zechariah 9:9-10
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Philippians 2:5-11
Mark 11:1-11

MARCH 31

Resurrection of our Lord:
Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Mark 16:1-8

SUNDAY SCHOOL

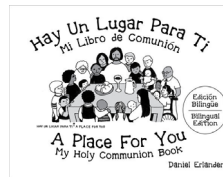
Sundays 11:15am -12noon
downstairs.

BIBLE STUDY

There will be no Bible Study during Lent & Holy Week: Feb. 14th through March 31st.

1st Communion Classes for Children

(Instruccion bilingue Spanish/English)
For children 4+ yrs old.
4:30-5:30pm. Parents and siblings welcome. Free.
Dates: Thurs 2/29; Tues 3/5; Thurs 3/21; Tues 3/26; Wed 3/27.
Questions? Call Pastor Dana 651-434-9485



Communion Assistants

Mar 3 Elen Swenson
Mar 10 A.M. Teresa Shores
Mar 17 Joan Jarombek
Mar 24 A.M. Lori O'Keefe
Mar 28 Barb Strenge
Mar 29 Elen Swenson
Mar 31 A.M. Barb Strenge

Lectors

Mar 3 Steve Bartz
Mar 10 Steve Bartz
Mar 17 Cynthia Erickson
Mar 24 Terry O'Keefe
Mar 28 Pat Craft
Mar 29 Barb Strenge
Mar 31 Cherie Garrod

Ushers

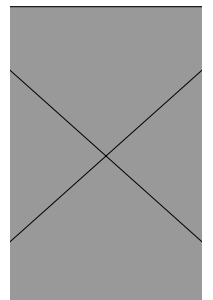
Mar 3 O'Keefes
Mar 10 Groebners
Mar 17 Petersons
Mar 24 Solbergs
Mar 28 Petersons
Mar 29 Solbergs
Mar 31 Zrust/Watson

Prayer List

Ginger Whitman (Justin B's mom)
Ellen Shores Tran
Makanzie Hoffman (Ardis' Brother's Great Granddaughter)
Mary Lanoux
Janis Behrens (Ron's sister)
Sherry Sanders' family
Brenna O'Keefe
Lolita Welde (O'Keefe's Niece)
Matthew Longtin (CarolAnn's friend)
Mark Beireis, Kim Anderson Benson & Mitch Azarcon (friends-Steve Bartz)
Sandy Altendorfer
George Beeks
MN Faith Chinese Lutheran Church
St. Paul Friends Nepali Church
Uhominyi Lutheran Church in Iringa, Tnza
Family & friends of Roberta Bohn
Family & friends of Jerry Brown
Family & friends of Barb Ososki
Family & friends of Hasan Gunawan (Rev Laura Tsen's brother)
Family & friends of Brenda Draughn (Sheika Taylor's mom)

March Birthdays

2 Haily Tourville
2 Ellen Shores Tran
4 Tyler Nerud
5 Garrett Anderson
5 Ron Jarombek
9 Elaine Mundt
13 Sandra Altendorfer
13 Donis Colvin
13 Kyle O'Keefe
14 Jennifer Maleitzke
15 Paula Janice Taylor
16 Christell Vicuña
16 Eldre Westegaard
20 Andy Nerud
26 Teri McDonald
26 Marlene Reding
28 Kylee Tschida



MARCH 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Women's History Month		1	2
					7p Chinese Bible Study	6a Chinese prayer 9a Ham Radio Group 11a Aztec Dancers
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9a Prayers for Healing 9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Galilee Education Hour 11a MFCLC 1p Friends Church		7am - 8pm Primary Voting	10a Faith by Hearing 5p Holden Evng Pray 5:30p Soup Supper 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal	11a Jerry Brown funeral 4:30p 1st Communion Class 6p Property Team mtg	7p Chinese Bible Study	6a Chinese Prayer 10a Brenda Draughn funeral 11a Aztec Dancers
Daylight Svgs begins 10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Galilee Education Hour 11a MFCLC 1p Friends Church	7p Enjoyable Evening	10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 6-8p LGBTQ+ Support Group	10a Faith by Hearing 1p Villa Park Devot. 5p Holden Prayer & Soup Supper 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30p SP Clown Club	4:30p 1st Communion Class 6:30p Council Mtg	VOICE ARTICLES DUE 7p Chinese Bible Study	6a Chinese Prayer 11a Aztec Dancers
St Patrick's Day 17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Galilee Education Hour 11a MFCLC 1p Friends Church		10a Donut Group	10a Faith by Hearing 5p Holden Evng Pray 5:30p Soup Supper 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal	12p GaliLadies 4:30p 1st Communion Class	7p Chinese Bible Study	6a Chinese Prayer 11a Aztec Dancers
Palm Sunday 24	25	26	27	Maudy Thur 28	GOOD FRIDAY 29	30
9:30a Galilee Worship 10a MFCLC Choir Practice 11a Galilee Education Hour 11a MFCLC 1p Friends Church		10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 6:30p Alley 19 Clowns	10a Faith by Hearing 6p Bell Choir Rehearsal	8:30a TSE training 4:30p 1st Communion Class 7p worship service	7pm worship service 7p Chinese Bible Study	6a Chinese Prayer 9a Children's Easter Party
EASTER 31						
7:30a pancake brkfst 9:30a Worship Service 10a MFCLC Choir 11a MFCLC worship 1p Friends Church						

GALILEE

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MARCH 2024

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Office Hours: M, W, Th 9 am-1 pm

SUNDAY WORSHIP: 9:30AM

2024 Congregational Council

CarolAnn Hart, President
Steve Bartz, Vice President
Joan Jarombek, Secretary
Cherie Garrod
Elen Swenson
Darla Nelson
Peter Solberg
Barb Strenge, Treasurer
Miriam Peterson, Financial Secretary
Pastor Dana Nelson

Staff

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dnelson.galilee@gmail.com

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Bells of Galilee: Cynthia Erickson
cynthia.erickson@minnmicro.com

Custodian: Amanda Nelson

Administrative Assistant: Sue Malenick
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We share the air.

At Galilee, we
STRIVE to be
fragrance-free!

CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY

Saturday, 3/30, 9am-12noon

Set up Fellowship Hall for
Pancake Breakfast

Dye eggs & Easter Egg Hunt

Processional Rehearsal for Easter Worship (youth must be at
Rehearsal for participate on Sunday morning processional)

Pizza for lunch will be provided



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.