



## THANKSGIVING FOR ANNE!

Dear people of Galilee Lutheran Church,

I want to tell you how very grateful I am for one person who has helped me through thick and thin, every single week, for more than seven years. This person is Anne Rykken. She always has been able to lift up the grace of God for us to see and lift up signs of the kingdom of God all around us. We know Anne is a heavy lifter. She walked across England twice and walked the coast of Wales and walked the entire Superior Hiking Trail in these seven years with us.

I'm not sure how many hundreds of miles she has swum, biked, and cross-country skied since we met her. It may be in the thousands. And somehow she also made for us more than 60 of these beautiful colorful newsletters, and created 52 bulletins each year! I can't even think about how many emails and phone calls and annual reports and calendar pages she's managed. She is an extraordinary individual and a kind-hearted person.

I am so happy for her that she gets to retire and be with her precious grandchildren, children, and husband, and turn her attention full-time to their cabin in the Northwoods in the great out-doors.

Please join us in worship on May 21, when we will celebrate with our sister Anne Rykken, and give thanks to God for her ministry with us. May the Lord bless her as she glides into her joyful plans for the future.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Dana K. Nelson

"I can do all things  
through him who  
strengthens me."

*Philippians 4:13*



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## AROUND OUR CHURCH

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### YOUNG AT HEART

Since the inception of YAH we have lost four friends to death, four to confining health issues, and one to employment, resulting in recruiting to increase the size of Young at Heart. What we offer is good food, socialization, laughter, and friendship. We hope you will find time in your day to join us.

Now that the snow and ice have gone away, Karen Groebner and Jeanette Uran are once again enjoying walking outside. In April we celebrated the birthday of Karen Groebner with a delicious "refrigerator cake" that was baked by Sandy. Do you know anyone who is downsizing and getting rid of canning jars (inexpensive to free)? Contact Sharell if you have a lead and she will pass them on. Shari Sailer had overnight friends (since 1970) from Onalaska, WI spend the night, and a group of friends and relatives when to an Ethiopian restaurant where they had a fantastic dinner. We miss our friends when they are experiencing illness and cannot join us. To our "under the weather friends", get well soon.

We will be meeting in the library (ready to eat) at 1:00 on Tuesday, May 9th, and again on the 23rd, after which we play Twitch and Social Security (do you remember the old game of Parcheesi?). We enjoy socializing/getting to know each other better and want you to know the games are fun - not taken seriously. So if you are available on the 2nd or 4th Tuesday of the month and want to socialize, please join us. If you have any questions, call Karen at 651-488-9074 - or - Sharell at 651-746-9074.



### Red Cross Blood Drive Galilee Lutheran Church



Fellowship Hall  
145 N. McCarrons Blvd  
Roseville, MN 55113

**Wednesday, June 28, 2023**  
**11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter: Galilee to schedule an appointment.

Sign up here:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Galilee>

**Our March 29th blood drive collected  
20 pints of life-saving blood!**

### GALILADIES

At our April 20 gathering, we were very honored to have Joyce Solberg be our speaker. She shared pictures and videos of her trip to Tanzania. Very interesting.

Judy and her son drove to Michigan to spend time with her two granddaughters and one great granddaughter. Four generations spent the week together. They saw many sights there. They especially enjoyed the arboretum.

Ardis's granddaughter and her family were the feature family for March in the Hugo Neighbors Magazine. They have resided in Hugo since 2009. They enjoy their many networks in the community.

Marlene spent two weeks with four grandsons while her daughter and granddaughter went to Europe with her school. Thankfully, their dad was there too! The boys worked on tapping maple trees—they make great maple syrup and played Yahtzee and card games. Marlene thought they were fun to be with. "I wish I had all their energy," she said.

# AROUND OUR CHURCH



## CHURCH CLEAN-UP !

**Saturday, May 20.** Join us for a morning (9-12) of cleaning in and outside the church. Bring your gloves, rakes, sponges, brooms, rags, etc. Lunch provided about noon!

## MAY BIBLE STUDY (NEW!)



## Miracles!!

**Wednesdays at 2 p.m.,  
Church Library**

## MAY ADULT FORUMS

**May 7** Keystone Foodshelf

**May 14** Mother's Day!!

**May 21** Worship/Coffee: Celebrate Anne Rykken's Retirement. Forum: Rice & Larpenteur Alliance by Kim O'Brien

**May 28 - No Forum or Sunday School.** Potluck Appreciation for Sunday School Teachers! Happy Memorial Day Weekend!



## SAVE THE DATE!

## We are going to Bay Lake Camp!

**Friday through Sunday,**

**June 16, 17, 18**

**Fun for the whole family!**

**\$200 per person, includes Friday Lunch through Sunday breakfast, two nights, pontoon ride.  
(Children and youth - "camperships" available from Galilee Youth fund)**

## AROUND OUR CHURCH

Dear friends at Galilee,  
I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the wonderful retirement party - actually, it blew me away! Special thanks to the Worship & Music Team, who organized it, and for all of you who provided the delicious food and lovely entertainment. It was a great time to look back at how we worked together throughout the years.

Being able to serve God in Galilee's music ministry has been an honor, and I have loved making music - lifting up our song to God - with our children and adults. Working with the choirs was always a joy, and I especially loved our many "Big Productions" (I still sing the songs from "Psalms Alive").

Music brings us together: when we sing a hymn, we all sing the same words, and it is a wonderful time of sharing worship of the God we love and serve. Music is physical: it takes effort to make it, and it can be tiring, but it is always good to have made it. Music reaches the soul and spirit in a way that mere words do not. I cherish the memory of all those who were involved in Galilee's music ministry during my time as director: you have taught me so much about creativity and organizing (still not good with papers) and choosing music and keeping God as a constant guide of what I attempt to do musically and otherwise.

I look forward to new music director Paul Swenson's leadership - may God bless his ministry at Galilee!

Love in Christ,  
Jo Ann



### Jo Ann's Song

Choir came and started with our do-re-mi twice  
And ended our warm ups with Many Mumbling Mice.  
But first things first, you joke, then pray,  
Customizing it for everyone's day.

#### Refrain:

Jo Ann, you are a true delight,  
You are the spark that makes us bright.  
We sing and sing our praise to God.  
We thank you, Jo Ann, with this song.

Our musicals have been great fun.  
It's lovely to hear your harp, piano, and drum.  
With kids you have a special touch.  
They play with gusto as their parents gush.

#### Refrain:

Jo Ann, you are a true delight,  
You are the spark that makes us bright.  
We sing and sing our praise to God.  
We thank you, Jo Ann, with this song.

You challenged and encouraged us  
With music, words, and your confidence in us.  
We love you, and, though you'll remain,  
Without you our songs just won't be the same.

#### Refrain:

Jo Ann, you are a true delight,  
You are the spark that makes us bright.  
We sing and sing our praise to God.  
We thank you, Jo Ann. We love you!

### MN UNITED SOCCER!

Join us to watch a game

**Wednesday, June 28!**

7:30pm

**Loons play FC Kaiserslautern from Germany!**



More information? Talk to Abraham Watson



Our high school youth from St. Paul Friends Nepali Church and Galilee Lutheran Church continue to visit colleges. At the University of St. Thomas we have a young brilliant church member who is a straight A student there: Edmira Jaco- English. She and her mom Maria Jaco led us on a tour.

### FROM THE COUNCIL

**PRESIDENT CarolAnn Hart**

#### APRIL COUNCIL MEETING

Our agenda also includes team reports and other church business. Team reports are given by council liaisons regarding things that are happening or items the council needs to know about. The teams include: Worship & Music, Community, Property, Staff, Finance & Stewardship, Mission and Education/Youth. Other church business is anything else that does not come under team reports that the council needs to discuss.

We had many things to talk about at April's meeting. We had Greg from the insurance company come to our meeting; Ron Jarombek and Terry O'Keefe were in attendance to get clarification on a few of the insurance recommendations, plus Terry talked more in depth about the new chairs and will order a sample chair for us. As you have heard by now, Anne is retiring. We discussed what the next steps are to hire a new Admin. Assist. Anne's retirement party will be held on Sunday May 21st. We will be making additional keys for the church building and office. Since the willow tree is on our property, we will give it a much needed trim.

There will be upcoming liturgy changes; Tim Rand will setup a Zoom account since the Worship & Music Team has meetings on Zoom. Paul would like see if singers would be interested in doing duets or trios. Blood drives are now approximately every three months due to lack of donors when done every month. Sunday school has to be flexible due to some Sundays when there are no kids in attendance. Joyful generosity was very successful our first time doing it and will be back for next year. Other business we talked about: the council planning our church retreat for next year, what events we may do this summer. Bay Lake Camp which is under new ownership has us down for June 16, 17, 18 of this year; it is \$200.00 per person. Hand in Hand School, which is on the other side of the new apartments, asked if they could have their staff use our parking lot for a couple daytime events they are having May 3rd and May 10th. Council approved since the dates will not interfere with anything Galilee or our other churches have going on. That wraps up April's council meeting highlights. Everyone have a GREAT May!

# WORSHIP & EDUCATION

## Scripture Lessons

### MAY 7

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60

The martyrdom of Stephen

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

1 Peter 2:2-10

God's people chosen to proclaim God's mighty acts

John 14:1-14

Christ the way, truth, and life

### MAY 14

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31

Paul's message to the Athenians

Psalm 66:8-20

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

1 Peter 3:13-22

The days of Noah, a sign of baptism

John 14:15-21

Christ our advocate

### MAY 21

Seventh Sunday in Easter

Acts 1:6-14

Jesus' companions at prayer after his departure

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Sing to God, who rides upon the clouds.

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

God will sustain and restore those who suffer

John 17:1-11

Christ's prayer for his disciples

### MAY 28

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21

Filled with the Spirit to tell God's deeds

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Varieties of gifts from the same Spirit

John 20:19-23

The Spirit poured out

## Prayer Requests

Vicky Allen (George Beeks' friend)

Shawn & Taylor Altendorfer

Armin Bartz (Steve's uncle)

Janet Christensen

Wayne Christensen

Kirsten Erickson (Lois LaVonn Brase's granddaughter)

Bob Gralish (Marlene's son)

Madeline Johnson

Linda Kemblowski (CarolAnn's friend)

LaVonne Kessler

Karen Murphy

Pat & Bobby Murphy

Brenna O'Keefe

Ann Pelto

Randall Strand

Rev. Lynda Thompson

Uhominyi Lutheran Church in Iringa, Tanzania

The People of Armenia

Family & friends of Dan Betts (Pelto/Fehrman family)

Family & friends of Jeff Whitman (Justin's dad)

Family & friends of Kay Fierro (Darla's relative)

Family & friends of Cynthia Johnson (Pastor's aunt)

Family & friends of Bill Krenich (Moose Lodge)

Family & friends of Leila Simpson (Dell's sister)

## May Birthdays

3 Jerry Brown

3 Kaja Lopez

4 Caroline Herman

5 Jeanette Uran

6 Terry O'Keefe

6 Fisch Kitty

7 Amy Wood

14 Jean Schneider

15 Dashawn Nunn

16 Kaylan Stevens

17 Joyce Solberg

20 Sonia Vicuña

22 Alexandra Fee

23 Howard French

26 Sharell Babin

26 Roger Ettel

27 George Beeks



## May Lectors

May 7 Cherie Garrod

May 14 Rebecca Chase

May 21 Barb Strenge

May 28 Teresa Shores



## Thank you!

God bless Dora Taylor and her dear mother, who gave the Gallilee prayer shawl makers, an abundance of beautiful yarn.

# MAY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 6:45p Growing Through Loss (at Abiding Saviour)	<b>2</b> 10a Donut Group 7p Worship & Music Team	<b>3</b> 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice	<b>4</b> 4p Property Team Mtg	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6a Chinese Prayer 9a Ham Radio Group 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecuhli
<b>7</b> 9a Prayers for Healing 9:30a Galilee Worship 11a Sunday School/Adult Forum 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church	<b>8</b> 6:45p Growing Through Loss (at Abiding Saviour)	<b>9</b> 10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 1p ISAIAH	<b>10</b> 10a Language Table 1p Villa Park Devotions 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice 6:30p St. Paul Clown	<b>11</b> 6:30p Council Mtg	<b>12</b> 5p Synod Assembly (St. Andrews)	<b>1</b> 6a Chinese Prayer 9am Synod Assembly (St. Andrews) 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecuhli
<b>14</b> <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b> 9:30a Galilee Worship 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church	<b>15</b> <b>VOICE ARTICLES DUE</b> 6:45p Growing Through Loss (at Abiding Saviour)	<b>16</b> 10a Donut Group	<b>17</b> 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice	<b>18</b> 12p Galiladies	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 9a CLEAN UP DAY! 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecuhli
<b>21</b> 9:30a Worship <b>THANKSGIVING FOR ANNE DAY!</b> 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church	<b>22</b> 6:45p Growing Through Loss (at Abiding Saviour)	<b>23</b> 10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 6:30p Alley 19 Clowns	<b>24</b> <b>RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE</b> 10a Language Table	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecuhli
<b>28</b> 9:30a Galilee Worship 11a Potluck Luncheon 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church	<b>29</b> <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>	<b>30</b> 10a Donut Group	<b>31</b> 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study	<p>Thank you to everyone who donated to MN FoodShare for Keystone in March. We all donated \$925. Then, in addition, Outreach added \$750.</p> <p>Keystone is very grateful.</p>		

Location Key: DS - Downstairs S - Sanctuary FH - Fellowship Hall Lib - Library

# GALILEE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

MAY 2023

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**SUNDAY WORSHIP: 9:30 A.M.**

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Thursdays 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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<http://on.fb.me/14BMhUi>

## 2023 Congregational Council

Barb Strenge, Treasurer  
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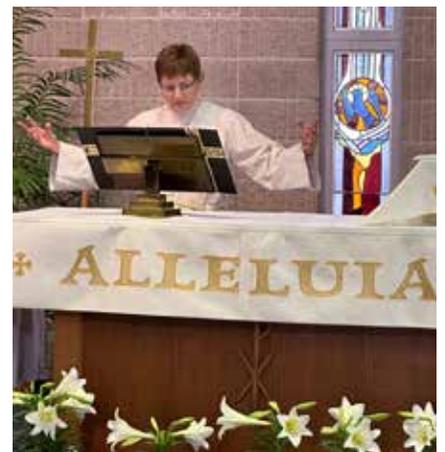


We share the air.

At Galilee, we  
STRIVE to be  
fragrance-free!

## 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.



## EASTER!

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](mailto:office.galilee@gmail.com).

Articles must be received by the 15th of each month.