

GALILEE

February 2023

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

Dear People of Galilee,

I am so grateful for Galilee's Community Garden, known around our state as "The Rice Street Gardens." Because of this amazing ministry, founded by Sherry Sanders, Katheryn Schneider and Ron Peterson, I have come to meet people from Myanmar (formerly known as Burma) who are of the Karen Culture. The Karen people are some of the most recent refugees who have come to Minnesota.

Because I am a Lutheran, I have been blessed to know and love dear friends (almost considered "family") from Vietnam. Our Church, and Lutheran Social Service responded to the call for help in the 1970's to welcome our new neighbors, the Vietnamese Refugees. I grew up with a Vietnamese family living with us in our home for many months until they learned English, got jobs, got a driver's license, got a place to rent and eventually own, and their kids were settled in school. The members of that family share a life-long love and connection with my Nelson family.

As you know, many waves of refugees have been welcomed to Minnesota since our Vietnamese neighbors. For example, Minnesota boasts of a thriving community of Hmong people. I believe there are around 200,000 Hmong in Minnesota. We have a thriving population of Somali people. In fact, after Mogadishu, the capitol city of Somalia, Minneapolis, Minnesota has the second highest concentration of Somalis in the world today. One of the more recent groups of refugees to resettle in our state, are the Karen from Myanmar (Burma). That country has 135 ethnic groups, each with its own culture, values, history and language. Besides the Karen, Minnesota has provided refuge to Karenni, Mon, and Chin people.

I am so grateful to Galilee Lutheran Church and their Rice Street Gardens for introducing me to these neighbors, our newest friends. Without the gardens I may not have met Karen sisters and brothers sent to us by God. Yours in Service, Pastor Dana K. Nelson

"Go into all the world and
proclaim the good news to
the whole creation."

Mark 16:15



AROUND OUR CHURCH

YOUNG AT HEART



We miss our friends when they are not at the YAH get-togethers. Health issues addressed mid January included Karen Groebner having throat surgery, and Steve had laser eye surgery. Sharell had visits with ENT doctor, hearing tests, and the eye doctor. As we age, it's always good to get those visits behind us. Nine hardy individuals showed up in January, despite the weather, and we celebrated Abe Watson's birthday on a cold and snowy day.

We were pleased to have Sandy Altendorfer and Leesa Matthews join Young at Heart in 2022. Abe Watson says "if you want to just have fun eating and playing games, join YAH."

Last weekend Mary Lanoux and Jim Zrust enjoyed dog-sitting for Teri and Chad McDonald in Lindstrom, MN, so they could attend a company function.

We hope you will put February 14 (Valentine's Day) and 28 on your calendars to join us for snacks and socialization at 1:00 in the afternoon, and most of all - stay well. If you have any questions, call Sharell at 651 746 9074 or Karen at 651-488-9074.



WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Galilee welcomed two new members to our congregation. Audrey McConville, and Karita Weinke. Thanks be to God for calling these two very talented women into the ministries of our little church.

Audrey has been busy making beautiful blankets to deliver to our homebound members, and to give as gifts to the families we sponsored through InterFaith Action over Christmas time.

Karita has been participating in our Wednesday Bible Study so a number of us have been getting to know her (and her vast knowledge of the geography of Biblical times!). Karita is also the accompanist for Villa Park Devotions, playing hymns on the piano for those monthly worship services since they began in 2015. Yes, we are blessed to have her with us!



Year of the Rabbit

We celebrated the Year of the Rabbit with Minnesota faith Chinese Lutheran Church. The congregation gathered on Saturday, January 21 on Lunar New Year's Eve to praise God, learn about the Chinese New Year, hear performances of songs and share a pot luck meal with long noodles and chinese dumplings as the specialty.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Galilee Lutheran Church



Blood Drive Galilee Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall
145 N. McCarrons Blvd
Roseville, MN 55113

Wednesday, February 8, 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.

Warm hearts. Warm thoughts. Give in February for a \$10 Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon. And, automatically be entered for a chance to win a trip for 2 to Clearwater Beach, FL. Includes travel, hotel, gift card and more! Terms: [rcblood.org/heart](https://www.redcrossblood.org/heart).



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FEBRUARY BIBLE STUDY



We will continue to study the
Prophet Amos!

Wednesdays at 2 p.m.,
Church Library

A

Joyful Event

will take place on February 26th during the
worship service. See you there!

From Outreach, Miriam Peterson



Celebration of Life
was held January 30 for

Eleanor Nagel

Kathleen Juneau born 1934, and passed away
peacefully on January 21, 2023..

May she rest in perpetual peace.



Celebration of Life
was held December 10 for

Kathleen Juneau

Kathleen Juneau born 1938 passed away
peacefully on November 30th of 2022.

May she rest in perpetual peace.

AROUND OUR CHURCH

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS!

Every Wednesday in March we will gather for a simple soup supper and Holden Evening Prayer. Would you like to sign up to bring a caldron of soup to share? We will worship for about 20 minutes beginning at 6pm in the sanctuary, and move to the library to serve soup afterwards.

A "Soup-Maker" sign-up poster will be in the narthex this month. Thank you for considering! Soup Suppers are an excellent time to bring visitors and guests to church.



FEBRUARY ADULT FORUMS

- Feb 5 Karen Culture** by the Karen Organization of Minnesota (KOM)
- Feb 12 "St. Anthony Park Neighborhood"** by Tom Ososki
- Feb 19 Transfiguration & Ash Wednesday** What's that? by Pastor Nelson
- Feb 26 - Defibrillator How To Use Our AED!** by CarolAnn Hart

**Wednesday,
February 22,
7 pm**



Dear People of Galilee,
Thank you for being a church that welcomes new people with open arms. Thank you for the gorgeous decorations, music, heartfelt prayers, praising, singing, open hearts, open minds, and devotion for the Lord on the Eve of our Lord's Nativity.. My penpal Carla is now back in Brazil with her family after visiting us at Galilee Lutheran Church for Christmas Eve Worship. Carla has been following events at Galilee on Facebook and in the newsletters on our Website for more than a year. She was so looking forward to worshipping with you in person. Photo L-R Anthony, Tana, Pastor Dana, Tom, Carla Dantas, Andre her husband, Pedro her son, Jurandir her father in law, Lucas her son.



On Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1:00-3:30pm at Gloria Dei, we will join together with clergy and religious leaders from over 150 faith institutions to meet with top statewide elected leadership (Gov. Walz - tentative, House Speaker Hortman - confirmed, Senate Majority Leader - Kari Dziedzic) to advance for a democracy that honors every person's dignity, a caring economy that allows everyone to thrive and a just climate future. Pastor Dana hopes to have 3 more Galilee members join her for this great gathering.

Tool Kit for Congregational Leaders & Conference Assemblies

Saturday, Feb. 25 - Shepherd of the Valley, Apple Valley

This annual event brings together lay leaders, ministry volunteers and church staff from all of the congregations in the synod for learning and networking! It's a wonderful opportunity to hear from experts in a variety of areas related to congregational life and to hear experiences and perspectives from people in other congregations.

This year's Tool Kit features 10 workshops that cover a variety of areas related to congregational life: bystander training, implicit bias, hybrid ministry, faith-based advocacy, peer ministry skills and creating a culture of calling. There are even special sessions for congregational presidents/vice presidents and treasurers. The registration fee is \$20 per person. Tool Kit will be held in conjunction with conference assemblies, when the synod's six conferences meet separately for pre-synod assembly business which may include elections, proposed resolutions or other matters. [Learn more.](#)



+ *Conference Assemblies*

WORKSHOP SPOTLIGHT: **Playing Church**

Children and their experience of God belong in worship. In this workshop, participants will experience examples of cross-generational, multi-sensory elements for worship. Participants will explore the methods the presenter uses to create these playful worship experiences.

Jen Rome is the pastor of Pilgrim Lutheran Church in St. Paul. She has 20 years of experience in bringing people of all generations to deeply experience and creatively connect with God, the world and each other. She, her husband, and their two children live intergenerationally with his parents in a duplex in St. Paul.



HOLY HOOPS

Galilee high school kids and their friends are invited to play basketball on Sunday afternoons every Sunday in February! Sign up with Pastor Dana. Eligibility Note: 9th-12th graders currently playing for their high school teams (10th grade, junior varsity, and varsity teams) are not eligible to play in this league.

WORSHIP & EDUCATION

Scripture Lessons

FEBRUARY 5

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

The fast God chooses

Psalm 112:1-9 [10]

Light shines in the darkness for the upright.

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

God's wisdom revealed through the Spirit

Matthew 5:13-20

The teaching of Christ: salt and light

FEBRUARY 12

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Choose life

Psalm 119:1-8

Happy are they who follow the teaching of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

God gives the growth

Matthew 5:21-37

The teaching of Christ: forgiveness

FEBRUARY 19

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Exodus 24:12-18

Moses enters the cloud of God's glory on Mount Sinai

Psalm 2

You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

2 Peter 1:16-21

The apostle's message confirmed on the mount of transfiguration

Matthew 17:1-9

Revelation of Christ as God's beloved Son

FEBRUARY 26

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil

Psalm 32

Mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

Romans 5:12-19

Death came through one; life comes through one

Matthew 4:1-11

The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness for forty days

Prayer Requests

Shawn Altendorfer

Joyce Anderson (LouWanna's mom)

Howard French

Kathy Haukabo

Madeline Johnson (Karen Murphy's sister-in-law)

Ted Johnson

Joanne Martinez

Mary Jane (Anne's sister)

Kim Norbeck

Brenna O'Keefe

Joyce Sailer

Randall Strand

Uhominyi Lutheran Church in Iringa, Tanzania

Family & friends of Audrey (Karen Murphy's aunt)

Family & friends of Katie Bonde (sister-in-law of Gloria Johnson)

Family & friends of Kitsie Hanson (sister-in-law of Karen M)

Family & friends of Amy Jarosz (Janet Christiansen's cousin)

Family & friends of Kathy Juneau

Family & friends of Betty Koehn

Family & friends of Judy Miller (Villa Park)

Family & friends of Sharon Miller (Audrey's sister)

Family & friends of Eleanor Nagel

Family & friends of Dennis Norbeck

Family & friends of Don Pruter (son-in-law of Schmidts)

Family & friends of Bobby Jo Rustand (cousin of Darla)

February Birthdays

7 Miriam Peterson

8 Jackson Albert Bergman

11 Michael Osterman

14 Clara Ann Baumgart

16 Nuwoe Davis

16 Teresa Shores

18 Joan Jarombek

18 Anne Rykken

19 Mike Bergman

22 Judy Hogan

27 Larry Biermeier

28 Taylor Altendorfer



February Lectors

Feb. 5 Carol Ann Hart

Feb. 12 Steve Bartz

Feb. 19 Ruth Hartman

Feb. 22 (Ash Wed) Elen Swenson

Feb. 26 Rebecca Chase

FEBRUARY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice	2 6p Property Team Mtg	3	4 6a Chinese Prayer 9a Ham Radio Group 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecutli
5 9a Prayers for Healing 9:30a Galilee Worship 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church Holy Hoops	6	7 10a Donut Group 7p Worship & Music Team 1-3:30p ISAIAH at Gloria Dei	8 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 10a Language Table 1p Villa Park Devotions 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice 6p St. Paul Clowns	9 6:30p Council Mtg	10	11 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecutli
12 VOICE ARTICLES DUE 9:30a Worship 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church Holy Hoops	13	14 10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 	15 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice	16 10a Language Table 12p Galiladies	17	18 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecutli
19 9:30a Worship 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church Holy Hoops	20	21 10a Donut Group 1p Young at Heart 4p Walk Around the Lake 6p Alley 19 Clowns	22 10a Language Table 2p Bible Study 6p Bell Choir Practice 7p ASH WEDNESDAY Worship 	23 10a Language Table	24	25 6a Chinese Prayer 11a Kalpulli Tlaloctecutli TOOL KIT and Conference Assembly, Apple Valley
26 9:30a Worship Joyful Event 11a Education Hour 11a MN Faith Chinese Lutheran 1p Nepali Friends Church 1p Holy Hoops	27	28 1p Young at Heart				

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

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Thursdays 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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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.



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.