

February Worship

9:00 am



February 2023

# Wanamingo Lutheran Church

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## Pastor's Message

Dear Brothers and Sister in Christ:

One of the exercises we will do together during this time is to meditate on God's Word on a personal level. Lent is one of those times where we can individually look at our relationship with God and how we fit into the body of Christ corporately. For this year's Lenten series to help us in this reflection we will be looking at the different Places of Passion Jesus walked to show us the way we should go in service to God and neighbor. I invite you to come along on the journey with me each Wednesday night, starting with soup and bread and a time of reflection in worship format for 30 minutes.

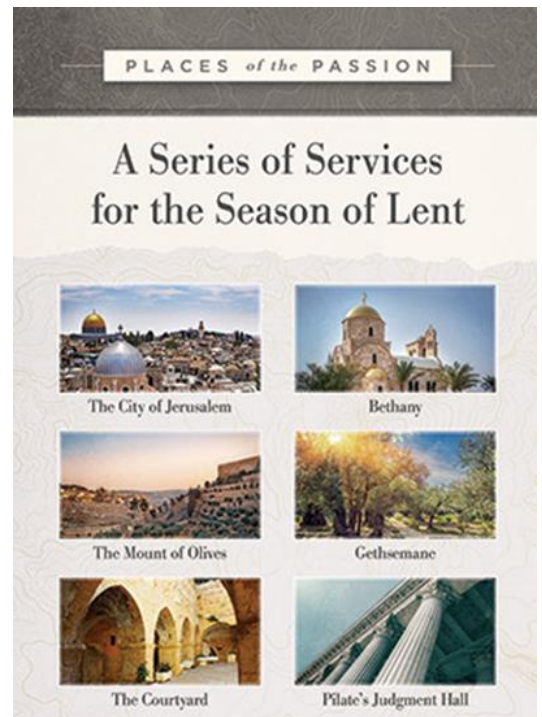
Here is a little bit about what we will be studying. Journey with our Savior, exploring the spiritual relevance of key points along the path of Christ's passion in this series of six services for Lent.

The places where the passion of our Lord took place hold special meaning to Christians the world over. These places remind us that Jesus walked this earth and stood in locations we can still find today to carry out his mission of salvation. This was no sightseeing trip for our Savior. There was a serious reason he came to be at certain places and at particular times to suffer and die and rise again. He was fulfilling the will of his Father who desired that we be forgiven and given a place in heaven with him forever.

I will be praying for you and your Lenten journey this spring as we hear God's Word as we walk with Jesus, giving us direction, showing us the path and destination, which will ultimately end at the empty tomb of our Risen Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

On the road again for Jesus,

Pr. Kris D. H. Ferkin



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### Pastor Office Hours

Please call Pastor Ferkin  
at home if you  
need to talk to him.

## **Wanamingo Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday January 10, 2023

Present: Karissa Wood, Birdeen Thoreson, Bruce Baker, Pastor Kris Ferkin, Sue Flotterud

Absent: Callie Van De Walker-Sellers, Mike Parrett, Laureen Otto

Openings Devotions: Lead by Pastor Ferkin

Pastor's Report: Presented by Pastor Ferkin

Secretary's Report: Presented by Karissa Wood, motion to approve by Birdeen, 2 nd by Bruce, passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report: none presented as Laureen was absent.

Balances:

Music: \$485.00 (carried over from December as Laureen was absent)

Building: \$7,083.00 (carried over from December as Laureen was absent)

Memorial: \$8,545.70 (carried over from December as Laureen was absent)

WLC Endowment Fund: After 12/20 we will have access to an online account and start receiving quarterly statements, a statement should be available for the Annual meeting on 1/15/23

Old Business:

1. Transition Team Update: The Ministry Site Profile was sent to the SEMN office and edits were recommended. The group will make these edits and prepare for a vote potentially the next month.

2. The group reviewed the Agenda, Ballot, and Budget in preparation for the annual meeting.

New Business:

1. The group reviewed the minutes from last week's parish council meeting.

2. February communion servers. February 5 th Sue. February 19 th Birdeen.

Motion to adjourn by Sue, 2nd by Bruce, passed 4-0.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by Karissa Wood

WLC Treasurer's Report

11 Jan 2023

Balances as of 31 Dec 2022:

Checking: \$35,269.85; outstanding checks = \$3,225.11 (includes a payment to TLC of \$2,563.85 for Dec, 2022.)

Bldg: \$7,304.16

Memorial: \$8,546.79

WLC Endowment Fund: \$52,646.72 (recall \$50,000 was transferred from the Mission Investment Fund to the Mission Endowment Fund in Aug, 2022.)

Lift dial tone was fixed within a day or two of our last Council meeting.

Thanksgiving Service offering collection was donated to Lutheran Social Services = \$90.00

I will reach out to Jess Stahman to resume establishing a WLC debit card for her at the Wanamingo Bank.

Respectfully submitted, Laureen Otto

## **Trinity & Wanamingo Lutheran Church Parish Council Minutes**

January 4, 2023

The meeting opened with Devotions

Old Business

1. The group reviewed and discussed a proposed addition to the parish agreement concerning the call process. This language had been previously reviewed and approved by each council. A motion to approve this addition was made by Karissa Wood, 2nd by Laureen Otto. Motion passed. This addition will be reviewed at the upcoming annual meetings of each congregation.

## New Business

### 1. Combined Services

a. On January 29th both accompanists from WLC and TLC will be unavailable. A motion to combine services on that date in order to more easily be able to find a sub was made by Laureen Otto 2nd by Kevin Ryan. There will be one service that week at 10:30 at WLC.

b. The combined Lent service schedule was reviewed.

2. There was a discussion about current shared parish expenses and potential future shared parish expenses

3. The group discussed agenda items that will be discussed at the upcoming annual meetings of each congregation

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Sunday, February 12th following 10:30 service at Trinity.

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Karissa Wood

## **Wanamingo Lutheran Church Annual Meeting**

Sunday, January 15, 2023

Present: 20 Congregational Members

Welcome: President Karissa Wood - presented 3 packets including agenda, budget, ballot, 2022 meeting annual meeting minutes

Opening Devotions: Lead by Pastor Kris Ferkin

Reading of the Minutes from 2022 Annual Meeting by Callie Van De Walker-Sellers, motion to approve as read by Ron Flotterud, 2nd by Sherree Van De Walker, motion approved.

Annual Financial Report for 2022: submitted by Laureen Otto and presented by Karissa Wood, motion to approve by Therine Gudknecht, 2nd by Sue Windhorst, motion approved.

The proposed budget for 2023 was presented by Karissa Wood. Motion to approve the budget as it was made by Therine Gudknecht, 2nd by Sue motion approved.

2023 Church Ballot was presented by Karissa Wood. Nominations from the floor included: Laureen Otto for council, Laureen Otto for Parish Council At-Large, RuthAnn Robinson for Worship Committee, Callie Van De Walker-Sellers and Chrissy Flotterud to the Auditing Committee, Mike Parrott and Marilyn Parrot for Cannon River Conference Delegates, Brad Hegseth and Karissa Wood for Southeast MN Synod Assembly Delegates, Larry Van De Walker and Callie Van De Walker-Sellers as Thrivent Branch Coordinators. Motion to approve the ballot as it was made and with the additional floor nominations by Ron Flotterud, 2nd by Birdeen Thoreson, motion approved.

### Old Business:

1. Roof repair was completed in May of this year, trees on the west side of the property were removed in October to prevent future building damage.

### New Business:

1. Review and vote on proposed addition to Parish Agreement concerning the call process. Motion to approve the addition by Ron Flotterud, 2nd by Linda Thoreson, motion approved.

2. Review and vote on Mission Endowment/Gift Policies. Motion to approve the budget as it was made by Mike Parrot, 2nd by Sue Windhorst, motion approved.

3. Discuss and cite in options for Sunday School checking account. Motion to approve the closing of account as it was made by Karissa Wood, 2nd by Gary Windhorst, motion approved. Jess Stahman and Laureen Otto will take care of this at the same time as setting Jess up with a debit card.

4. Transition Team update hopefully know more by summertime.

5. Possible 2nd checking account as we explore more as a joint parish rather than billing us. More to come on this.

Closing of Annual Meeting by Pastor Kris Ferkin Motion to adjourn by Bruce Baker, 2nd by Chrissy Flotterud.

Respectfully Submitted by, Callie Van De Walker-Sellers

# Church News & Events

## ANNUAL MEETING

WLC held their annual meeting in January. Many members volunteered to serve the church in various ways this upcoming year. Your hard work and dedication to WLC does not go unnoticed. Please see the minutes (above) for details of the meeting.

## *Lenten Services 2023*

**Theme: "Places of the Passion"**

**Ash Wednesday with Holy Communion  
February 22nd**

4:00 & 7:00 pm at WLC

**March 1st**

6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

**March 8th**

6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship at WLC

**March 15th**

6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

**March 22nd**

6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship at WLC

**March 29th**

6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship at Trinity



## *Holy Week Schedule*

**Palm Sunday—April 2nd**

9:00 am Worship with First Holy Communion at WLC  
10:30 am Worship with First Holy Communion at Trinity

**Maundy Thursday—April 6th**

7:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion at WLC

**Good Friday—April 7th**

7:00 pm Worship at Trinity

**Easter Sunday—April 9th**

7:00 am Worship at WLC  
10:30 am Worship at Trinity



## CANNON RIVER CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm

Trinity Lutheran Church, Wanamingo MN

Birdeen & Linda Thorsen along with Mike and Marilyn Perrett have volunteered to represent WLC. Two additional members are welcome to attend.

*Ash Wednesday*



*Remember that you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.*

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## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in  
the church basement

Thank you to those who have signed up to read and usher. Please continue to use the signup sheet in the church entry way. Any help is greatly appreciated.

# WELCA Updates



Please check your mailbox for the 2023 WELCA booklet. Any booklet not picked up will be mailed! Thank you!

## WELCA HOLY COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Holy Communion Thursday  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> 1:30pm at Heritage Hill. Bible  
study to follow at 2:00pm.



## PRAYER SHAWL

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will  
meet Tuesday February 7th  
7pm Irene Ree's home

540 E 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Wanamingo

## QUILTING

Mondays at 8:30am TLC

Newcomers are welcome! Come enjoy  
fellowship and fun.

Want more information? Please call Becky  
Solberg at 507-319-9099

# Community News & Events

## COMMUNITY MEAL

Will be served Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am-12:30pm  
at the Wanamingo Community Center

Sponsored by The Wanamingo Lions Club



# John 3:16

for God so lo **V**ed the world  
that He g **A**ve His  
on **L**y Son that  
whoever b **E**lieves  
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## DONATE HERE:

Use your smart phone to scan the QR  
code to donate to WLC



# Youth & Family

## THANK YOU...

to all members who have donated to the Sunday School Noisy Offering. This year the money will be used to make "birthday cake kits" to be donated to the local food shelf. Each kit will contain grocery supplies to help those in children in need celebrate their birthday.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

All children welcome age four-6<sup>th</sup> grade.  
Every Sunday from 9-10am at TLC.



## CONFIRMATION

Every Wednesday at TLC  
5:30pm 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade & 7pm 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

**VALENTINE'S DAY**  
*Cookie Decorating*

**FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

**1:30 PM**  
**Wanamingo Lutheran Church**  
130 3rd St. West

**DECORATE COOKIES - GET  
CREATIVE IN THE PHOTO BOOTH**

Sponsored WTLC Board of  
Education

*If you have any questions, contact Jess  
507-251-7900*

The poster features a vibrant background of various cookies and pastries, including heart-shaped cookies, swirls, and chocolate pieces.