



Discover Summer Night Out

Joel Wetzstein | Multisite Director of Worship

Celebrate the Start of Summer with Fun, Fellowship and Worship in one amazing weekend! Mark your calendars for an exciting weekend of summer festivities at our church! On June 24-25, we will kick off the season with a fantastic lineup of events that promises not only fun and fellowship but also opportunities to discover new connections within our community. This is an occasion for us to come together with people from across all three of our campuses to strengthen our bonds, and to create new connections with members of our surrounding community.

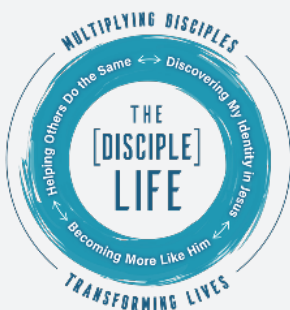
The weekend starts with our “Summer Night Out” on Saturday, June 24, from 5-8pm. We invite you, your family, and friends to join us on our Afton Land at the corner of Bailey & Manning to discover an evening filled with entertainment, and fun. Don’t forget your lawn chairs and blankets, sunscreen and bug spray! We’ll have live music, six bouncy houses, a petting zoo, free food, and three fantastic food trucks: Egg Roll Queen, La Chochinita and Kona Ice.

On Sunday, June 25, our celebrations continue with a special outdoor worship service. Join us as we unite in outdoor worship - which starts at 9:30am. We will partake in communion, symbolizing our unity as believers, and we will witness a number of baptisms, a celebration of new life and spiritual rebirth, as people begin to discover their identity as children of God.

It is our hope that this weekend of summer festivities will bring us closer as a community, igniting a sense of joy and togetherness within our hearts!

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Surround our Seniors

Pastor Tim Marshall | Care Ministry

Starting this summer, we are beginning a new telecare ministry called SOS, which stands for Surround Our Seniors. The goal is to call all of our attenders aged 70 or older to see how we can better care for them. To get this new ministry off the ground, we have enlisted over 15 callers who will be connecting with our seniors at least twice a year.

If you receive a message from someone calling from SOS, please return the call when you have a chance to connect with this new ministry. Some examples of the care you might benefit from after talking to an SOS member would be receiving visits from your Pastor/Pastoral Care Assistants or being connected to a Stephen Minister. If you have a new address, our SOS members would be happy to pass that on to the church office, and if you have a new phone number, would you please call the church and let us know?

We are excited to be able to care for you in this way!

Adventure Awaits

One of my favorite things about summer as a kid growing up was adventure – I still love to get out and discover new things. One of my favorite places to explore was along the St. Croix River where my parents had a boat. They had talked their way into some people allowing them to keep their boat at their home on the Minnesota side between the train bridge and interstate 94. It was such a cool place to have a boat, the beach was great, there was plenty of downed tree branches for fires, and there was an old railroad foundation that you could walk and find all sorts of cool things. It was the perfect place to practice discovering.

At WLC we talk a whole lot about the importance of Discovering our Identity in Jesus. Throughout history human beings have been tempted with all kinds of ways to place our identity in something other than Jesus. We say things about our own identity. We listen to the messages that others say about us. We are tempted to find our identity in our careers or sexuality or work or group of friends. We all have parts of our lives that make us the people we are, but unless our identity is rooted in Jesus we are building on the wrong foundation.

So what if this summer you went on a bit of exploration to continue to discover your identity more and more in Jesus?

Here are a few directions for your adventure:

- In your Bible find five verses that talk about identity, write them down, memorize them and let them guide your adventure.

- Find two or three songs that talk about your identity and make them your summer hits (Here is one of my favorites, [I Am a Child of God](#))
- Talk to a friend or someone you trust about the areas where you are most tempted to find your identity in.
- On a place where you go everyday paste a post it note with the words, “Through Jesus I am a child of God, that is who I am!”

Living the Disciple Life is always powered by Jesus showing us more and more who we are in Him. We are loved for free; we are children of God through faith in Jesus, that is who we are!

Following Jesus!
Pastor Tom





What Time is it? Summer Time, It's Our Vacation

Sarah Dibbern | Oak Hill Kids & Youth Ministry and WLC Social Media Director

I want you to think back to when you were a kid and school was winding down. There was so much excitement, right? Sure, there were finals and end of the year projects, but there were also field trips and end of the year parties. Then who could forget the feeling of walking out of the school building at the end of the year with the realization that you don't have to come back for months. There's something so special about a school year winding down and summer beginning.

A couple of weeks ago, the teenagers of WLC gathered at the Oak Hill Campus and celebrated another year of being together. Our students spent the past year discovering more about who God is through a myriad of topics:

- They took the book of Daniel and learned what it means to be bold in all situations.
- They looked at the Psalms to see how we're called to be in worship, and we're called to be in worship together.
- They studied the Great Commission in Matthew 28 and talked about how telling people about Jesus really isn't that scary; in fact, it's all about

bringing people alongside you as you show who Jesus has been in your life.

- We read about Joseph and David and how in our seasons of waiting, God is right there with us.
- We sat in the fact that there will be seasons of our lives where we'll be stretched, and while that'll be hard, God has a plan in it all.

The teens of WLC spent the year sitting in discovery mode. They laughed with each other, played ridiculous games, worshiped together, and spent time in small groups learning who God is to them and growing together. Wednesday after Wednesday, we'd hear stories from our small group leaders about the discussions they had, the growth they saw, and the joy in their students' faces as they got to spend more time together.

The best part of all of this is, even though we're transitioning from our regular Wednesday programming to our summer programming, the discovery is just beginning! This month, both our middle schoolers and our high school-

ers will head out on their Mission Experiences to discover even more of who God is to them and how they're called to serve with each other in their communities. From June 10th-15th, our middle schoolers are heading to Rochester, MN with Rochester Servant Adventures to serve the community and worship together. Then from June 23-30, our high schoolers are heading to Kansas City, MO to work with a mission trip organization called YouthWorks to serve the community down there.

I want to ask you to be in prayer for our students during this month. Prayers for safe travel, health, great connections between our leaders and the students going. But most importantly, prayers that, while they are on these mission experiences, they will see God in new and powerful ways. That they'll discover who God is to them and be so excited to grow in their walk with Him.

Summer is an exciting time. It's my prayer that in this season of warm weather and a change of pace, you are renewed and spend time discovering who God is to you.

Helping Children Discover More About God's Love

Sara Mulso | Director of WLC Preschool

During summer the rhythm that your family may have likely shifts a bit. You spend time with your children in different settings and checking out new things. Each one of us has a preferred learning style -how we best learn new things or more about the things we are passionate about. Your child is no different. These preferred learning styles help each of us retain information more effectively. Below are some of the more common learning styles and some ways to think about engaging them in your child's faith walk during the summer months.

Visual learners retain information through pictures and images. Do an online search for Bible Story images and have pieces that they can match such as Jonah and a big fish. They might also love to use their art supplies to make these "go together" sets from Bible stories. [The Complete Illustrated Children's Bible](#) is an affordable option to also captivate visual learners as they learn by looking at the pictures.

Kinesthetic learners love to do! An easy way to have them engage in their faith walk is to go on walks and explore God's world. On those rainy days, be creative! Let them find some bathrobes or a towel draped around them and some stuffed animals and encourage them to dress like a Bible character and have you guess who they are, or they can act out their favorite story. Your couch might make a great ark to bring all their favorite stuffed animals on.

Auditory learners abide by the motto "if I hear it, I remember it!" Work together with your child and make your own Jesus time/faith music play list. There could be anything from a piano hymn to an upbeat song by King and Country!

Social learners find joy in working and being with others. These kiddos love to be out doing, so harness that energy and love by engaging with service projects. Children as young as 5 can help pack meals with you at Feed My

Starving Children. Or maybe you want to host a card party! Download cards from Phil's Friends and have your children invite friends over to color and have a special treat! When you're done, you can send these cards back to be sent to people who are battling cancer.

Solitary learners find a special way of learning by being alone. They can take time to process and think about things. A quiet walk together can be meaningful -and maybe you and your child both want to listen to Keys for Kids audio devotions and then talk about them.

Verbal learners are those who love written or spoken words. Tap into this interest by cultivating a love for daily devotions! For older kids, [How Great is Our God 100 Indescribable Devotions About God and Science](#) is a great choice. For younger children, [The Beginner's Bible 365 Devotions for Kids](#) is an easy and understandable read. [Doodle Devotions](#) is a fun merger of creativity and time in God's word!

It's awesome to celebrate how God has made your child uniquely and wonderfully amazing. As they discover more about God's Word, have this be something that you do alongside them! They model your behavior even as they learn in their special ways.



Discover Faith Together This Summer



Families that eat together, pray together, and play together are stronger. But with today's crazy schedules and priorities make it more difficult for families to do this. As you raise your children, find the time to enjoy the journey. Here are a few activities to help you grow your children's faith in fun ways this summer.

- 1. Be a Gratitude Detective**-Here's your mission: Take a small notebook with you in your pocket. BE on the lookout and CATCH people in the act of doing GOOD. Write it in your notebook and talk about what you saw at the end of the day.
- 2. Help your kids (and you) memorize Bible verses**-Help your child begin to memorize Scripture with these printable ABC Bible verse flashcards! (You can download a version in **color** or **black and white**.)
- 3. Finding faith in the family tree**-interview grandparents, aunts, uncles, or parents and learn about their walk with Jesus. Ask questions about how it has made changes in decisions they made as they grew up.

New Small Groups Launched with Turbo Group Experience

Diana Vander Pas | Multisite Director of Small Groups

Check out these great new adult small group leaders! Each has completed a small group leader training experience and is preparing to start a new small group as they discover their identity in Jesus, become more like him, and help others do the same.

This experience for leaders of new small groups is called a turbo group. Participants of the turbo group met for 5 weeks as a group with Diana Vander Pas, the Multi-Site Director of Small Groups. Following the Turbo Group experience, each will begin a new small group of their own. This turbo small group of new leaders does not stay together, rather it is a short-term multiplication group.

Each gathering with the new leaders had two parts. The first portion discussed the new WLC CONNECT Introductory Study, while the second portion of each gathering was leader training and equipping.

The new CONNECT Introductory Study provides an environment to build strong relationships, consistency in the WLC vision and purpose of small groups, a structure to discuss expectations and goals for the group, and for each participant to grow in the [Disciple] LIFE.

The benefits of the Turbo group experience are to:

- Create a consistent approach for new small group starts to have the same DNA while growing in the [Disciple] LIFE.
- Model a small group experience for new leaders before leading one themselves. This helps create an easy-to-follow process for each leader as they begin their own group.
- Provide basic training for each new leader and resources to equip them for leading a group.
- Begin new small groups with trained leaders allowing new people a place to connect.
- Create a space where leaders get to know other small group leaders creating a leadership team network.
- Help the Multi-Site Director of Small Groups get to know each leader in order to better coach and equip them going forward.

New small groups and another turbo group for new leaders will be starting over the summer and into the fall. If you want more information about joining a new group or participating in the next Small Group Leader Turbo Group, contact Diana Vander Pas at vanderpasd@woodburylutheran.org.



Garage Sale Update

Thank you for the generous donation of treasures! Our mission teams raised \$13,000 to offset their summer mission costs. Thank you! Mark your calendars for next year's sale: May 9-11, 2024!

Many thanks to Shanna Salzman and Tami Lower for making this fundraiser possible.



Please Pray for 5 Short-Term Missions Teams

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Rochester (Middle School Youth) Team - June 10-15
Kansas City (High School Youth) Team - June 23-30

Jamaica (Adult) Team - June 18-25

[Jamaica Team Prayer page](#)

Ecuador (Adult) Team - June 19-29

[Ecuador Team Prayer page](#)

Alaska (Adult Team) - July 14-23

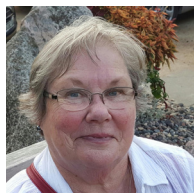
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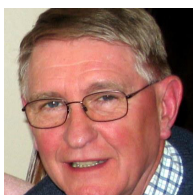
Thanking Three Faithful Volunteers

Mary Law | Office Manager & Assistant to the Senior Pastor

Over the past couple of months, WLC has seen three long term lead volunteers retire from their positions. Each of them have served families here at WLC in many different ways and blessing each of you all along the way.



Lyndis Vander Louw has co-lead the Funeral Luncheon team, Bobbi Nibbe has led the Wedding Coordinators team, and Mike Hunst has led the team of financial volunteers. We want to thank each of them for their dedication, love, and servant hearts for these many years.



Below are some of their thoughts/reflections regarding their tenure in the ministry areas they so faithfully served.

1. How long did you lead your team of volunteers?

Lyndis: Lee Jorgensen and I took over soon before De-lores had hip surgery in 2007(?). The ladies and gentlemen hung in there with us. We made a few changes in the menu but didn't "fix" anything. Our crew was and is still fantastic.

Bobbi: I've been on the wedding coordinators team for 25 years but have only led it for maybe five years, when Marlyn Harrold's husband got very sick.

Mike: 15 years

2. What was your biggest blessing about leading your team?

Lyndis: We received all the cooperation we needed to prepare the meals for each family. We cried with them, enjoyed their special remembrances, their concerns that they wanted to share and a reminder that

they could call and make changes if they needed. We greeted them the day of the funeral and chatted briefly! They and the community were blessed to see relief in their eyes as we reassured them that we'd be there for them the whole day.

Bobbi: I was an event planner at Deloitte for many years and loved doing that type of work. What I love about the weddings at church was helping make their wedding day special. It was fun just handling all the problems that popped up. Most weddings are very happy times.

Mike: My biggest blessing was getting to know the pastors, staff, and the many volunteers who worked with me on the team.

3. What made you want to serve in this way?

Lyndis: My mother died after a brief illness when I was in my late 20s and the church ladies at my parents church helped me in so many ways at that time. After I retired from nursing, I knew I now had the time to help my church family in the same way. P.S: Lee and I made shopping for the groceries fun. To some of the staff at Sam's we were known as the funeral ladies and many times were thanked by them for helping the families.

Bobbi: I loved working with people from other countries-they smiled a lot because they had no idea what I was saying. I felt that would be a great fit for me to serve, since God had given me that gift.

Mike: I was attracted to this position initially as it seemed like a good fit for my skills and interests. As the Oak Hill and Wakota Ridge campuses were added it was sometimes challenging but enjoyable to recruit and train new volunteers to serve in various positions. The financial team of 18 volunteers worked in 30 different positions in the various aspects of the team.

Well done, good and faithful servants!

A Summer's Reach

Bethany Meyer | Wakota Ridge Kids & Youth Minister and Local Reach Coordinator

When the warm weather arrives, it boosts my energy and motivation to do more, get out more and enjoy more! Do you feel that way too?

Summer is a great time to enjoy the outdoors, family adventures, camping and bonfires, and a wonderful time to make an impact. I'd like to challenge you this summer to find one way each month to reach into the areas around you. It can be something quite simple really, but if you like going above and beyond then go for it! To help you kick off your Summer Reach, we have an opportunity for you in June.

During our Summer Night Out event, we will be gathering food and monetary donations to give to one of our local food shelf partners. This is a simple, yet extremely effective way for us to reach into our communities and help bridge the gap in food disparity. So, start stocking up on all those non-perishables, and/or earmark a donation, and let's make a difference together! Keep your eyes out for more details coming soon.

What are some other ways you can reach out? Here are some ideas:

Feed My Starving Children (they have lots of open shifts right now), offering to do yard work for your neighbor or joining them on their walk, volunteering at a food shelf, picking up trash and/or cleaning out water drains, donating blood, hosting lawn games or sports in the cul-da-sac or neighborhood park, helping at Ronald McDonald House, making items that can be donated to the Children's Hospital or Ronald McDonald House (see their websites for more information)... or come up with an idea of your own!

Gather with a friend, your family, or co-workers and do something together. It's always more fun that way! I know it can be hard to find time in the ever-growing schedule, and adding on one more thing might feel overwhelming. Consider where you might have 30 minutes here, or 1 hour there. Whatever time you can give, know that you can make a lasting and eternal impact this summer!



Meet the new Local Reach Coordinator!

Bethany Meyer is the new WLC **Local Reach Coordinator!**

This is a multi campus role that will focus on helping our church family live in mission with Jesus.

Bethany is also Kids & Youth Minister, Wakota Ridge Campus. She is full-time WLC Staff.

Bethany has a Christian Ministries Degree with Director of Christian Education and Director of Christian Outreach certifications.

Prior to coming to WLC she worked for (to name a few) Feed My Starving Children and Praying Pelican Missions.

She loves dance and choreography, modern and contemporary styles particularly, traveling to the North Shore and spending time around a bonfire with her chosen family. She and her husband Phil have been married for 11 years.

Valley Creek Campus Update

The Valley Creek Campus is the original campus of WLC. Over the years this space has welcomed thousands of people to hear the Good News of Jesus. We have hosted countless Worship Services, Bible Studies, Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings, and Community Groups – the Valley Creek Campus is one busy place for Jesus.

Through the busyness the Holy Spirit is busy multiplying disciples and transforming lives. We continue to be blessed with large numbers of baptisms, new members, and guests who are drawn to Jesus through the ministry of the people at VC.

Here are a few Highlights:

- Our in-person worship attendance has grown back to an average of 800 people each week-end.
- The last two Pizza with the Pastors have seen over 50 people who are interested in membership at WLC.
- In July we will be welcoming Daniel Langewisch as our new VC Campus Pastor.
- In May we hosted the WLC Youth Garage Sale raising over 13k for youth missions.

We are so grateful for all who serve and welcome living the Disciple life at the Valley Creek Campus!

Pastor Tom Pfothenauer
WLC Senior Pastor



WLC Supported Missionaries in Alaska: The Chang Family Are Here in June

Joey Chang and his family will be at Oak Hill on Sunday June 18

- Oak Hill Campus >for all campuses
- Prayed for in both Sunday morning services (9:00/10:30)
- Sharing about their lives and ministry right after church
- Free lunch - 11:45am - Fellowship Hall
- Come and connect, hear what God is doing and be an encouragement to this family whom our church loves and has partnered with to proclaim the good news of Jesus for many years.

June Birthdays

1	Steve Carlson Calliope Hazlett Jay Holthaus Conor Moes Lena Reichling Karin Rogotzke Daniel Tucker	Ava Griffin Marilyn Harrold Mark Harstad Craig Kling Anna Krueger Suzanne Mortenson Yvonne Neils	Kayla Glatzmaier Maxwell Huonder Sarah Jeatran Cindy Johnson Chike Ochiogha Cindy Charlson Kathy Chell	Madilynn Meek Joy Nassios Molly Schulze Blake Score Easton Sonn Benjamin Bauman Lincoln Burrows Jax Erickson Emily Fowler John Narring, III Jeremiah Rygh Penelope Schmidt Camden Steffel Jane Bettmann Linda Stolper Barry Thompson Alex Tveit	Spencer Connolly Jason Cowles Robert Cowley Aaron Drevlow Tony Hayek Silas Kohn Tenley Knutson Castity Matysik Benjamin Mertens Jane Rose Bruce Strong Albin Abraham Noah Anderson Jane Bettmann Ella Bohren Christian Brown Leonard Dahlin Everett Everson Nancy Feuerherm Trevor Jeske Lorreen Mohlenhoff Jamie Pearson Stephen Rodemeyer Larry Schindeldecker Rob Starzynski Misty Thompson Kaylee Barber Jill Christopherson Katy Critchley Brian Delaney Zoe Kost Paul Kuehnast Brooklyn Rothstein Evelyn Bramer Jimmy Bystrzycki Jeremy Dailey Kevin Helander Bexley Jagger Heather Johnson Doug Kapernick Presley Kolodzek Christa Kraft David Nelson June Osborne Dan Reichling Kennedy Brittain Jenny Buchholz Heidi Crist McLain Cronin Kristen Jung Norris Luogon Isla Snow Elena Srep	27	Jimmy Stoffel Kamren Beard Gabrielle Kane Wells Charlson Jennifer Edwards Brad Fong Sadie Haga Sam Horner Mary Karrow Ryan Kehl Francina Lelei Matthew Mergens Sydney Nassios Garrett Schmidt Carol Tourville Leticia Vilas Henry Wolsky Dennis Wolterstorff Carolyn Fernandez Averee Kreutzfeldt Tim Marshall Becky Martini Jeffrey McNally Scott Ostrom Tobias Palmer Michael Parker Melanie Penaloza Jim Rauschnot Annette Starr Geraldine Swanson Evelyn Boser Dawn Butina Darlene Carlson Derek Hafner Howard Ingli Elizabeth Melin Lucy Ngu'e Nathan Smith Theresa Baranick Aleesha Berkman Jenny Brewer Everleigh Brocker Elton Cunningham Steve Erban Lorraine Grohoski Aiden Harris Laverne Krummel Luke Moris Katie Schoenberger Ross Smith Duane Tessmer Lydia Wilk Cindy Yang		
2	Kathy Bailey-Boyd Marissa Eubank Kaitlyn Radecki Amanda Retica Taylor Siemer Brad Zager	7	Stephanie Pfothenhauer Whitney Seltz Bonnie Brings McKenzie Duncan Wayne Hoffbeck Bethany Meyer April Perez Boden Stewart Natalie Taraldsen	12	Dave Howard Abbie Marshall Hannah Marshall Dwayne Morris Amber Tacheny Carter Trachy Emily Weber Joel Yonkovich Arlene Bartley Alyssa Bradshaw Jodi Burger Jayci Goetz Meg Hruby Cheri Kuseske Jim Pate Rob Strange Ron Stutelberg Gabriel Barabash Lily Butler Lily Butler Doug Deverell Linda Erickson Grant Horn Cameron Jamison Lily Murphy Eloise Schmidt	17	Sarah Cartier Tristan Chavie Kris Kiltie Mary Landgrebe Rico Lopez Nathan McDonald Hannah Meinke Natalie Munn Joy Ostrom Liz Perryman Doug Boehme Roger Erickson Byrnina Isakson Michelle Otis Blake Nelson Sharon Neubrand Isaac Johnson Bruce Kato Sherrie Kinmounth Kirk Nesvig Judith Poss Nicole Raebel Rick Zager Amie Butler Karla Edwards Austin Hanisch Shelby Houfer Angela Johnson Lester Lange Bonnie Merle Annika Peper Emma Rosen Jenna Sauro Jenna Voyda Carli Bauman Majlis Bogert Diego Carmona	23	23
3	Barb Anderson Jeannine Buchholz Julia Clark Alyssa Dockendorf Dan Doyle Amanda Fong Mariah Mattson Nyah Morris Blakely Probst Zander Walberg	8	Nick Dale Kirk Eastenson Ronald Faust Briget Fields Jim Fischer Sonya Fox Jennifer Jankiewicz Ron Linden Michael McDaniels Jack Schuldt Todd Watanabe Maggie Wilson Noah Zilge	13	13	23	23	23	
4	Samuel Baumann Emma Bloomquist Katie Christiansen Tom Grimm Jane Jechort Jennifer Johnson Michelle Kruse Barry Kucharski Brian Schouvieller Isabelle Spates	9	Ryan Albrecht Beckett Anderson Maria Ann Armstrong Leah Bohren Rylan Gentry Amy Larson Sinsie Macrae Debra Murphy Nona Pearl Matt Schmitt Mike Zabilla	14	14	24	24	24	
5	Robin Ahlquist Liam Aspen Patrice Baumann Grace Cavanaugh Lawrence Cornwell Dylan Hughes Darlene Johnson Robert Kilb Randy Larson Manda Leary Abbie Morris Robert Schaefer Megan Severson Troy Wenck Julie Williams-Wolterstorff	10	Anna Albrecht Harper Allan Hayden Allan Wyatt Aspen Kim Duis Allie Jackson Addilyn Johnson Luke Lehmann Nathan Rasmussen Julie Schuessler Jordan Southward Juanita Vaaler	15	15	25	25	25	
6	Brittany Baughman Rico Bohren Jay Capistrant Jolene Deilke Erik Doyle	11	Colt Conley	16	16	26	26		

June Anniversaries

1	Phil Brandvold & Bethany Meyer Karl & Katie Christiansen Ernie & Lisa Ginn Troy & Melani Hanisch Brian & Stephanie Kirchoff Tom & Cheri Kuseske Jake & Alayna Larscheid Corey & Brenda Ratzloff Tom & Mary Zarnke Lowell & Susan Ackerman Doug & Linda Davis Jay & Donna Ignaszewski	8	Larry & Linda Schindeldecker Bob & Katie Benson, Jr. Moti Yohannes Gemechu & Hawi Geletta Bil & Peggy Lund Andy & Jane Ogren Steve & Karen Dopson Evan & Emily Fisher-Damsgard Kyle & Hannah Meinke Brent & Rebecca Meissner Len & Pat Neutz Roger & Marcia Strharsky Larry & Paulette Hinkelman Milan & Meg Hruby Scott & Jennifer Reinhard Bert & Cindy Schmitt Pat & Julie Duffy Keith & Bev Esala Brian & Teaghan Herian Del & Carolyn Howard Paul & Merlene Lieder Doug & Nancy Kapernick Horst & Christa Kraft Pastor Jon & Cassie Kuehne Chuck & Joycelyn McDonald Daniel & Shari Todd Anthony & Barbara Vik Dale & Renee Schneider Chris & Michelle Schwake	15	Daniel & Andrea Johnson Tim & Lisa Reberg Mark & Wendy Sikorski Rob & Tara Wilkie Gene & Marcie Anderson Mike & Nicole Rosin Ted & Karen Bolles Robert & Madella Bous Brandon & Jennifer Conway Edward & Anna Hemmelman James & Karen Hillmann Lance & Amy Huebner Bob & Sheila Nikl Jon & Ally Stoffer Bob & Sharon Wuggazer Jeff & Angie Crane John & Sydney Horner Gary & Carol Tourville Brad & Amanda Durow Paul & Susan Gerver Tim & Sharon Wolfgram Wade & Kristin Amundson Craig & Ann Baumann John & Jane Cavanaugh Scott & Tanya McNally Michael & Diane Mergens Loren & LaRee Opdahl Paul & Erin Reberg Brian & Kim Stakston Kurt & Jenny Buchholz Brian & Jeanne Carlson Kevin & Carol Doyle	21	Steve & Karen Grovender Jerry & Jeannette Schmidt Len & Carol Score Ron & Mavis Shriver Keith & Fanny Daniels Dean & Lauren Danner Paul & Rhoda Pfothenhauer Richard & Karen Wachal Dennis & Julie Wolterstorff Rick & Terri Albrecht Madison & Deanna Bieniek Robert & Lois Carlson Brent & Corinne Clifford Don & Shirley Volbrecht Brian & Theresa Ingram Jacob & Sarah Jeatran Larry & Linda Wilford Jordan & Kayla Berg Dan & Angie Moris Todd & Sheila Olson George & Jennifer Achterling Dale & Teresa Critchley Lee & Jan Miller Peter & Sandi Bloomquist Roger & Janet Erickson Gerald & Ursula Palesh Rick & Linda Pieper Robert & Lisa Schaefer Joe & Shanessa Schlattman Charlie & Kris Wesser Greg & Donna Carlson Chad & Denise Erickson	28	Troy & Cathy Goetz Ray & Bonnie Merle Ray & Bobbi Nibbe Troy & Jennifer Wenck Tahua Yu & Jenhua Juan Christopher & Karla Edwards Brian & Mindy Follett Josh & Chastity Matysik Ron & Carri McGuire Doug & Jessica McMahon Jerry & Paula Morton Alex & Melinda Schreiner Tom & Julie Wolfgram Paul & Sue Dale Jacob & Ellyn Holum Joe & Jennifer Jankiewicz Marc & Daria Turner Parris & Lisa Vitela Richard & Mary Betts Gary & Arlene Hallee Bob & Gay Wolf
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Church Council Update May 2023

*In order to continue to grow in our communication to the congregation, each month we will share an update from the previous month's Council meeting. Full minutes can be found **HERE** (<https://wlc.church/resources/newsletter-and-council-minutes/>) after the 10th of each month. After you click the link, scroll down to Council Minute section.*

Woodbury Lutheran Church - Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 9, 2023
6:30-8:30am

Meeting Highlights

This was our annual planning meeting, so we met for four hours.

Devotion and Prayer Time:

The Church Council continues to be rooted in prayer and scripture as our guides. We worked through a prayer exercise together and spent some time on what living the Disciple life looks like.

WLC Constitution:

In 2015 the congregation approved our current constitution. The District however has not approved it (this is not uncommon). We reviewed the reasons as to why it was not approved and then had a long conversation about the role of our Elder's moving forward. Over the years our Elders have taken on less of a pastoral function and more of a care function that is not reflected in the Constitution. The Council is forming a Ministry Action Team to review our constitution, gather feedback and come up with recommended changes. This process will take several months, and we will not be in a hurry. This team will also review our policy manual for recommended changes.

WLC Safety and Security:

Our Executive Director Mike Ehnstrom has been doing work around gathering safety best practices from other churches that reflect WLC. He presented his findings and after a lengthy conversation the Council will be putting together a Ministry Action Team to keep the ball rolling in this very important area for our campuses.



Meeting Highlights

Call to Order & Quorum Determination

Devotions/Prayer

Consent Agenda

- April Meeting Minutes
- April Financial Report

Discussion Topics

- Review of WLC Constitution
- Role of Elders going forward
- Review of WLC Policy Manual
- WLC Safety and Security

Informational Topics

- Sr. Pastor Report

Closing Prayer

Adjourn

Worship

Online

Sundays @ 9:00, 10:30am
Youtube OnDemand
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In-Person

Sundays @ 9:00 (OH, WR & VC)
Sundays @ 10:30am (OH & VC)

Please visit our website for up-to-date worship information.

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Baptisms

Everett Vincent Anderson
Hayes William Short
Grayson Lee Short
Henry James Parkhurst
Hayden Frechette
Cindy Yang
Ryker Andrew Nardini-Barabas
Braxton David Carlson
Maleeah Nardini-Hardie
Aubrey Michelle Teske
Edith Elizabeth Roen
Noah David Bonk

Deaths

Marcia McCabe, cousin of Kandi Chavie
Carlton Shulke, father of Cindy Linert
Bunny Kinney, mother of George Kinney
Pam Strehlo, wife of Paul Strehlo



Staying Connected

Ready to Take Your Next Step?

The WLC Connection Center is available to help you determine what your next step might be on the Discipleship PATH. Whether you want to explore options or you already know what your next step will be, our Connectors would love to help. The Connection Center staff at each of our campuses is available for each worship service. Come and say Hi!

Giving at WLC

Thank you for your ongoing generosity that keeps the ministries of Woodbury Lutheran functioning. Giving may be done by texting WLCGIVE to 833-808-4447, through our [website](#), and through the WLC app ([iOS](#) | [GooglePlay](#)). Checks may be mailed to the church office at 7380 Afton Road, Woodbury, MN 55125.

Stock Donations

There are many different ways to donate time, talents, and treasures to Woodbury Lutheran Church. One way some members choose to donate is through the transfer or donation of stocks. If you have questions or would like more information on how to donate stock, please contact Trecie Horner at 651-731-3349.

Summer Stretch Registration is OPEN!

Summer Stretch is a Middle School (6-8th, grade completed June 2023) Summer Serving Ministry. We meet on Thursdays 8am-1pm: June 29, July 13, July 27 and August 3rd (Valley fair day-8:30-7pm)). We serve in the mornings, come back to the Valley Creek campus to eat our bag lunches & then play games. You can choose to register for the whole

summer (\$40 by June 1st or \$50 after June 1st) or one day at a time (\$10 per day and \$30 for the Valley fair day on August 3rd). Friends are welcome but we need to know they're coming at least 7 days in advance so that we have enough seat belts and service sites! Click here for more info & registration: <https://woodburylutheran.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/364/re-sponses/new>

Summer Fun Crew

The WLCKids Summer Blast dates are out and we want to have the biggest Fun Crew ever...so mark your calendars and sign up to help with Summer Blast! [Register Here](#) Who can serve: All youth completing 5th grade (June 2023) through Graduating Seniors can help! We love teens of ALL AGES and anyone who loves Jesus (college students, adults, grandparents!) as helpers!

We have 3 different weeks & LOTS of different ways to BRING THE FUN! You can serve at your campus and at other campuses!

Summer Youth Bible Study

Join us on these dates! We'll be studying the book of John this summer! Plan to be at the Oak Hill campus or Valley Creek campuses from 6:30-8pm on June 31, July 12, 19, 26, and August 2. All new 6th graders through High school Graduates.

MS Mania

Our next MS Mania is Monday, July 10th! All campus Middle School event (and current 5th graders are welcome) held at the Oak Hill campus 6:30-8pm. Come ready for fun! Games, devos, new friends!

Miracle League

Wednesday, 8/9 5:15-8pm

Miracle League is an adaptive baseball program for kids with special needs and it's one of the most fun ways to serve ever! We'll have pizza before and then play two games with our new friends. This event is open to both MS and HS youth from all campuses. Save the date and watch for more info soon on WLCYouth.org

HS Kayak Trip

Thursday, 8/3 9:30am-5pm

High schoolers from all campuses are invited to spend a fun and memorable day on the KinniKinnic River. Save the date and look for a sign up at WLCYouth.org soon!



Looking for more information to stay connected?
Scan the QR code above!

June 2023 Calendar

1 (V) Celebrate Recovery

Thursdays, 6:30pm
Contact: Larry Smith
651-308-9113

2 (V) Kitchen Band

1st & 3rd Fridays, 9:00am
Contact: Margo Garven
651-788-1713

3 (V) Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 7:00am
Contact: Jeff Linert
651-387-9428

3 (O) Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 8:00am
Contact: Pastor Dean
651-739-5144 x331

3 (V) Baptism Class

Saturday, 9:30am
Contact: Rachel Symmank
651-472-1975

4 (O) Bike & Bicycle Blessing

Sunday, 12:00pm
Contact: Pastor Dean
651-739-5144 x331

5 (V) Monday Men's Study

Mondays, 10:45am
Contact: Pastor Tim
651-739-5144 x221

5 (V) Ladies' Gathering Group

Mondays, 1:00pm
Contact: Shirley Mertens
651-276-7224

7 (O) Pastoral Bible Study

Wednesdays, 10:00am
Contact: Pastor Dean
651-739-5144 x331

8 (V) Pastor Paul's Summer Bible Study

Thursdays, 9:30am
Contact: Pastor Paul
651-261-3416

11 (O,V,W) WLC Kids Summer Spark

Sundays, 9:00am
Contact: Nancy Schubbe
651-739-5144 x203

19 (V) WLC Kids Summer Blast

M-F, 9:30am
Contact: Nancy Schubbe
651-739-5144 x203

22 (V) MS Summer Stretch

Thursday, 8:00am
Contact: Lindsey Schmidt
651-739-5144 x219

22 (W) Financial Planning Workshop

Thursday, 6:30pm
Contact: Mike Ehnstrom 651-739-5144 x204

24 (A) Summer Night Out

Saturday, 5:00pm
Contact: Joel Wetzstein
651-739-5144 x205

25 (A) All Campus Worship on the Land

Sunday, 9:30pm
Contact: Joel Wetzstein
651-739-5144 x205

29 (V) Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, 1:00pm
Contact: www.redcross.org

WLC NEWS LETTER

Looking for something else?

Visit wlc.church

Valley Creek Campus (V)
7380 Afton Road
Woodbury, MN 55125

Oak Hill Campus (O)
9050 60th Street North
Stillwater, MN 55082

Wakota Ridge Campus (W)
255 W Douglas Street
South St. Paul, MN 55075

Afton Land
12122 40th Street South
Afton, MN 55001

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