

Resurrection Recorder



Writings From the Chair!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ. I am honored to be your new council chair and look forward to serving you for this next term. When you see Howard Carpenter thank him for his past leadership as the council chair. He left us in good hands with a very strong council.

The question on everyone's mind is when will we see Pastor Doug and his family in Alpena. I know he is as anxious as we are for that to happen. The last notice he received from the VISA office late July was "the process has been delayed". We have the confidence and faith that God has a plan for us and Pastor Doug will be here according to His timing. In the meantime, please keep him and his family in your prayers. Pastor Doug will continue to provide us with the weekly message.

The future is bright for Resurrection Lutheran Church of Alpena. Our mission is to help people discover God, grow faith and find their purpose to make a difference. Our vision is to: Know: where people encounter God in a deep and personal way, Grow: where people grow into believers who reflect Jesus, and Go: where we reach out to connect people with Jesus Christ locally and beyond. Working together as disciples of Christ, we will continue to be the feet and hands of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Rodney Lang, Council Chair

Feeding Kids Ministry

This Quarter at FKM we have finished up the school year with outstanding success. We packed over 7000 bags containing well over 43,000 meals. We received support from our local community in time, talents and with financial support. I have made contact with some amazing people throughout the community that will be helping to gather funds and set things up for FKM to survive the long haul. This will solidify the future of FKM and providing for the needs of children with food insecurity for years to come.

We look forward to sharing fundraising efforts with you soon. Summer program has wrapped up and packed over 850 bags with over 5100 meals. Amazing, how God works for this ministry. FKM has a new contact number (989)590-4724. Also, find us on Facebook for updates and activities. Thank you for the continued prayers and support. If you would like to volunteer, please feel free to contact me at the above number.

Blessings, Jamie Treinen



Faith Development Gone Wild

Vacation Bible School was held on Wednesdays, July 5, 12, 19, and 26, for children in grades K-6. It was attended by more than 50 children from the community. Using the theme, *It's Wild!* kids learned how the love of Jesus and life with Him is wild!

DAY 1: It's wild! Jesus is why we share our story. Kids learned about John the Baptist and how he prepared the way for Jesus.

DAY 2: It's wild! Jesus helps us use our gifts to help others as he did when he used his gifts to heal a woman and a little girl.

DAY 3: It's wild! Jesus invites us to spend time with God. Kids learned that Jesus welcomes little children, and we are to have faith like a child.

DAY 4: It's wild! Jesus shows us how to spend time with others as he did when he met with Zacchaeus.

July 30th, the congregation welcomed two new members into the body of Christ through the baptism of Bella May Treinen and Jemma Skye Treinen. Please pray and support our newest sisters in Christ as we wait for Pastor Doug's leadership in providing more faith development opportunities. ~Stephanie Walterreit

Notes from the Treasurer—Annette Kindt

- AAACU Money Market (MM) ending July 31, 2023 – General Fund (GF) \$62,207.02, Feeding Kids Ministry (FKM) \$45,447.49 & Property Management (PM) \$4,951.50, all are earning 1.20% GF MM funds decreased by \$50,000.00 due to opening a 12-month Certificate of Deposit (CD) in the same amount that earns 5.00% APR. A transaction of \$500.00 from GF savings and \$10,000.00 from the GF checking transferred to the GF MM for better interest rates. MM for FKM increased by \$48.01 while the MM funds for PM decreased by \$3,296.43 due to Summer 2023 property taxes paid on the parsonage.
- Edward Jones Investments earned \$2,280.75 in July. Our year-to-date gain is \$10,674.45. The total portfolio summary held at Edward Jones is \$107,686.88. This money is used to maintain the parsonage located at 151 N Oliver St.
- The approved budget for 2023-24 requires monthly offerings of \$10,000; the offering received for the five weeks in July totaled \$9,810.00; a shortfall of \$190.00. Please consider adding \$1 or \$2 more dollars to your giving to help us reach and maintain our monthly needs.
- Revenues were in the positive by \$2,461.78 over liabilities for the month of July but keep in mind we are paying supply pastor rates at this time for Pastor Doug and not full-time wages. All in all; July was a good month. Thanks be to God!

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