

# St. Pauli News in Detail



## Quilting for Lutheran World Relief

Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
9:30 am



## Greeting and Ushering

Everyone is invited to take part in this final quilting day at the church. We will begin at 9:30 am, but feel free to join us at any time. The editor is uncertain at the time of printing as to whether the lunch will be potluck or if everyone should bring their own bag lunch.

More than 15 are ready for this year's shipment, but we think we can make several more on this additional day. Some of the quilts will be given to our local Law Enforcement Center for use in our own community.

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## April Milestones



### Birthdays

April 3 Eunice Grove  
April 18 Shirley Johnson

### Anniversaries

(None that we know of)

April 7 Jim and Sue Kotz  
April 14 David Lee  
April 21 Bruce and Shelley Mathson  
April 28 "Wing-It" ushering duties

### Sunday Service:

- Light altar candles before service and put out flames after church.
- Act as Greeters and hand out bulletins.
- Usher for offering and communion.
- Tidy up pews after church to make it ready for the next Sunday's services.

### Altar Preparation:

April 7 Sharon Bugge  
April 21 Kathy Alberg

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## "Snippets" section added to newsletters

The editor is hoping to include items printed in the local news columns in *The Times* for each decade beginning with 1903. This requires, however, that the editor look through the public library's microfiche files; for the current issue she had time to go through only March and April for 1903 and 1913.

It is her hope that you will find these "Snippets" an interesting look back at our St. Pauli neighborhood over the last century.

# In Memoriam

## Emily Dawn Lokken



Emily Lokken, age 71, passed away Monday, February 25, 2013 at North Memorial Medial Center, Robbinsdale, MN surrounded by her loving family.

Emily Dawn Lokken was born in Thief River Falls on November 15, 1941, the daughter of Louie and Cora (Finble) Lokken. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Pauli Lutheran Church. Emily attended Knox Elementary School and graduated from Lincoln High School.

Emily was employed at Bostwicks department store for 27 years at Department Head of Junior and Misses Fashions. She enjoyed doing the style shows, modeling displays, and attending fashion shows for the store. She also worked as a cosmetician at Thrifty White for 5 years, and Ekeren Drug for 9 years. She enjoyed working with people and had a great connection with them.

Emily's family always came first in her life. She had a heart of gold and was always there to lend a helping hand. One of her interests was working on creative memory family photo books. She made sure everyone in her family received one she had made.

Survivors include sisters Sylvia Lokken of St. Paul; Marge Dahle of Cando, ND; Carol (Lloyd) Halvorson of Ham Lake; Carmen (Stuart) Solem of Grand Rapids; Joyce Jensen of Robbinsdale; sister-in-law LoAnne Lokken of Minneapolis; nieces Linda Halvorson, Nancy Halvorson, Cindy (Nick) Schafer, and Lori (Mike) Lucht; nephews Randy (Susie) Dahle, Larry (Jayne) Halvorson, Mark Halvorson, Mike (Debra) Solem, Darryl (Kathy) Solem, Dr. Craig Solem, Rick (Mary) Bjorgaard, and Mark Bjorgaard, as well as several great- and great-great-nieces and nephews.

Emily was preceded in death by her parents, a sister in infancy, sister Sharon Lokken, brother Leo Lokken, niece Sandra Dahle, nephew Terry Dahle, and brothers-in-law Reuben Dahle and Fred Jensen.

### Funeral Service

St. Pauli Lutheran Church  
Saturday, March 23, 2012 2:00 PM  
Rev. Carl Hansen, Officiating Clergy  
Phyllis Dalager, Accompanist

### Special Music

Joel Kezar

### Casketbearers

Randy Dahle, Larry Halvorson, Mark Halvorson,  
Mike Solem, Darryl Solem, Dr. Craig Solem

### Interment

St. Pauli Cemetery



# Minutes of the Church Council

January 10, 2013 and February 28, 2013

## January 10, 2013

Members present: Wahna Smith, Oliver Swanson, Arlo Rude, Pastor Hansen.

Meeting called to order by President Arlo Rude. Motion to approve the agenda without changes by Swanson, second by Smith, motion carried.

A Secretary's report was not available.

**Treasurer's report** was provided by Arlo Rude, temporary treasurer.

Checking Account:	\$ 30,785.25
Investor Savings:	\$ 20,394.35
Memorial Fund:	\$ 19,740.92
Edward Jones:	\$ 33,994.90
Total Assets:	\$104,915.42

Motion to approve the report by Swanson, second by Smith, motion carried.

### **Pastor's Report:**

Pastor Hansen and Faye Auchenpaugh are reviewing liturgies in the new hymnal. This will be discussed at the Annual Meeting with a request to form a committee to work on new liturgies.

First Communion was discussed. Pastor Hansen will organize lessons for first communion. First communion will be scheduled this spring. The church will send a letter to the families who have first communion participants.

Local pastors are reviewing the round robin Lenten Services schedule. Council members agreed that the round robin exchange of pastors during Lent was preferred again this year. There may be one church in the group that will not be participating. This may leave the number of pastors fewer than the number of weeks in Lent. Each pastor may be doing Lenten services in their parish rather than the round robin schedule. Pastor Hansen will get back with more information on this.

The Synod will be offering its annual workshop for new council members on February 17. The location has not been announced. There will be a focus on the functioning of healthy church councils, plus exploration of ways to engage younger persons and families in the life of congregations. Pastor encouraged all who are interested to attend.

Pastors Carl and Mary were delighted to share in the joy of the wedding of their son Kevin and their daughter-in-law Michelle. The wedding was in Texas.

Reports of members in sickness or distress: Clayton Mathson, lifelong member of the church, died and the funeral will be January 12.

### **Organizational Reports**

WELCA: Smith reported that WELCA will be serving lunch for the funeral of Clayton Mathson. Smith reported that she is president of WELCA this year.

Board of Education: Sunday School is starting the second half of the school year, following Christmas break.

Men's Group: No report available.

### **Old Business**

Budget review: The budget for 2013 was reviewed. Due to no full-time pastor, the operation budget is \$29,940, which is \$6,775 less than the 2012 budget. Projects for 2013 include completion of the steeple work (\$1,500), carpeting for the narthex and sanctuary (\$5,600), and the hymnal board support (4200). The projects total \$7,300. Total expenditures for 2013 are \$37,240.

Annual Meeting: Rude will be preparing the Annual Report. He requested reports be emailed to him as soon as possible.

### **New Business**

Gary Iverson discussed the confirmation curriculum with the council. There are two possible curricula, two year or three year. Iverson provided information on both. No action was taken with a request that council members think about the options.

Control of congregation funds was discussed. The checking account has a fairly large balance. Rude asked if there should be guidelines for the checking account balance and the use of funds that exceed a set checking balance. This will be part of the annual meeting.

Membership growth: Rude suggested that the membership discuss growth at the annual meeting. Possibly a committee can be formed to make recommendations to the congregation for activities to be used to encourage new members to join the church.

Faye Auchenpaugh has made a request for another set of Hymn Accompaniment Editions. This is needed when an organist and pianist are playing at the same service. Motion to purchase made by Swanson, second by Smith, motion carried.

Cindy Cedergren has agreed to prepare the weekly bulletins. Anyone with information for bulletins should contact Cedergren.

Faye Auchenpaugh is planning to wait with having the piano tuned until there is a scheduled use of the piano.

The meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arlo Rude, Acting Secretary

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## February 28, 2013

The St. Pauli Church Council held its monthly meeting on Thursday, February 28, at St. Pauli church. Members present: Arlo Rude, Evie Johnson, Wahna Smith, Kathy Alberg, Barb Nelson and Pastor Carl Hansen. The meeting was called to order by Arlo Rude at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Hansen opened the meeting with a prayer.

Motion to approve the agenda without changes was made by Smith, seconded by Johnson, motion carried.

Nelson nominated Arlo Rude for council president, seconded by Johnson, motion carried.

**Secretary's reports** for December and January were presented and reviewed by all present. Rude will add cemetery donations to the minutes. Alberg made a motion to accept with that addition, seconded by Smith, carried.

**Treasurer's report** for December 2012 was distributed and reviewed.

Expenses: \$ 2,918.92  
Income: \$ 2,173.75

Checking account balance: \$ 30,784.96  
Investor savings balance: \$ 20,396.95  
Memorial fund balance: \$ 19,741.33  
Edward Jones fund: \$ 34,843.93  
Total Assets: \$105,767.17

Cemetery Association fund: \$ 5,654.93

Nelson made a motion to accept; seconded by Alberg.

### **Pastor's Report**

Pastor Hansen reported that Emily Lokken has died. Her funeral will be at St. Pauli on Saturday, March 23, at 2:00 pm. WELCA will serve whatever the family wishes for lunch.

Pr. Hansen is in the process of arranging for first communion instruction for three students.

There will be a spring conference meeting on Sunday, March 10, at Faith Lutheran Church in Goodridge beginning at 5:00 pm. Pr. Hansen plans to be available for all services in March.

### **Organization Reports**

WELCA: Evie Johnson and Faye Auchenpaugh will be serving breakfast after 7:00 am services Easter Sunday.

Question was asked about notices being sent to families to remind of ushering duties. Nelson reported she is doing that since she received the information.

Board of Education: Alberg reported that Sunday School is planning on singing at a Sunday service soon. Smith wondered if they could possibly help with offering. They can if parents approve and are willing to help.

Men's Group: Nothing to report; they have not been meeting recently.

### **Old Business**

Alberg, Johnson and Smith will work on carpeting and linoleum for the narthex and sanctuary. They have a total of \$5,600 to work with.

New liturgies are on hold until everyone on the committee is home.

Crookston Men's Choir is tentatively scheduled for May 19. There will be more on this later.

Confirmation agenda was looked at and will be discussed more later.

### **New Business**

Our septic system needs some work. It is frozen at this

time. Rude is working on it now, but will need to check into it further in the spring.

Constitution and Bylaws will be worked on when all committee members are home again.

All projects and goals for 2013 were reviewed.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer. Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Nelson, Council Secretary

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## ***Historic Minutes of the St. Pauli Congregation***

### **12 December 1904**

St. Pauli Scandinavian Lutheran congregation held its 11<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in the church on December 12, 1904.

The meeting was opened by chairman I. T. Aastad with reading from the scriptures and prayer. Whereafter the chairman declared the meeting opened and everyone was free to speak.

After which the secretary and the treasurer read their reports and accounts. Both were found to be in order and unanimously accepted without changes.

It was proposed, supported and unanimously accepted to elect Ole Helgeson as trustee for three years.

It was proposed and supported to re-elect J. Amundson and H. Torstvet as secretary and treasurer. Unanimously accepted.

It was proposed and supported to settle on a sum of ca. seventy dollars as pastor's salary for the coming year. Unanimously accepted.

Proposed and supported to elect J. Amundson as sexton with a salary of ca. two dollars for one year. Accepted.

Proposed and supported to elect A. Odegaard, John Sjerva, Ole Helgeson to form the building committee for further repair of the church. Accepted.

After which the chairman appointed the re-elected A. Odegaard and J. Sjerva as auditors of the accounts for the coming year.

Proposed and supported to re-elect the same as school committee for the coming year. Accepted.

Proposed and supported to appoint a committee of three members: A. Odegaard, O. Pederson, J. Amundson to negotiate about the move of the church to Hazel. Accepted.

After which the meeting was ended by the chairman with the Lord's prayer.

Jacob Amundson, Congr. Secretary

The trustees of the congregation:

Halvor Hostvet 1905

Andrew Odegaard 1906

Ole Helgeson 1907

## “SNIPPETS”

(from decades of the country news columns in the *Thief River Falls Times*)

### 1913

#### **March 11:**

(Hazel) Miss Gilla and Inga Thune left for Canada last Monday where they expect to work this summer.

Arne Braaten who has been sick for the last couple of weeks is slowing improving and as soon as he is able will leave for an operation in Warren. He sends his heartiest thanks to all his many friends who extended him a helping hand at the social and club Saturday night.

A party was given at the Soo Hotel by the Hestekind sisters last Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. E. Anderson and Mrs. Ed Haraldson of Thief River Falls. About 25 attended and refreshments were served at midnight.

(R.F.D. No. 3) Tobias Stene was assisting John Storberg in butchering a hog on Wednesday.

#### **March 18:**

(St. Hilaire) The people of the community were surprised Thursday morning when a message by telegraph announced that Rev. T. L. Grytting and Miss Anna Nettelund had been united in marriage at Minneapolis the previous day, March 10. Both bride and groom were well and favorably known in this locality. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Nettelund of Rocksbury township.

(Hazel) There will be services at St. Pauli church Sunday morning at 11.

The St. Pauli singing choir will have a practice meeting Friday evening, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Braaten school.

Lucille Dahl broke a leg last week by falling down from a haystack.

#### **March 25:**

(St. Hilaire) Rev. and Mrs. Grytting returned Saturday after a brief bridal tour in the southern part of the state.

Ole Mattson has moved his stock of general merchandise into the I.O.O.F. building, which has lately been remodeled and refitted for that purpose. This place is more conveniently located than Mr. Mattson's old stand and is much more convenient and roomy.

(R.F.D. No. 3) Last Saturday a meeting was held at Hazel for the purposes of organizing a co-operative cheese factory and the meeting turned out to be a success. The company was organized and officers elected and building will be commenced in the spring.

Last month the Lian brothers took in their saw rig after a successful season's run of 77 jobs.

The Lian brothers left last Tuesday evening for Thief River Falls to attend a farewell party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Haraldson previous to their leaving for Montana where they have a homestead.

Lewis Nelson attended the Rev. Lasse-son auction sale on Wednesday where he was engaged as an auctioneer.

#### **April 1:**

(R.F.D. No. 3) The Ladies' Aid Society of the St. Pauli church meets with Mrs. Lars Loken next Thursday, April 8. Everybody is welcome.

Services will be held next Sunday, Easter Day, in St. Pauli church at 2 p.m.

John Dahl has been busy cutting wood for Anfin Torkelson lately.

On Monday of last week, Torkel Anfin-son had the misfortune of being run over by a cow, receiving some serious injuries which have been keeping him in bed since.

(Hazel) Tom, Anton and Ludvig Lian and Sophie Stromme, Olga Olson and Olga Kjensrud left for Portland, North Dakota where they intend to work on farms this summer.

Nels Alfson and Henry Nelson left for Napoleon, North Dakota last Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of that place.

Arne Braaten left for Warren on Wednesday morning to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

#### **April 15:**

(Hazel) Announcement was received last Monday that Inga Erickson was married to Albert Bergstedt on Easter Sunday at Baudette and will be home after April 10, 1915 at Birchdale, Minnesota.

There will be services at St. Pauli church Sunday, April 18, at 11 a.m. and the Y.P.S. meets the same day at Halvor Viken's at 2 p.m. Everybody is welcome.

Andrew Loken had the misfortune to smash three of his fingers while working on the section last Saturday.

#### **April 20:**

(Hazel) The Swedish Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. Simon Alberg on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Hazel baseball season opened up last Sunday, their first game this year.

Hildar Gustafson was doing some dress-making for Mrs. Ole Odegaard last week.

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#### **March 8:**

(Hazel) Mrs. Carl Alberg entertained a few of her friends on Friday afternoon at her home in honor of Miss Anna Alberg. The afternoon was spent in needle work and a general social time and a fine lunch was served at 4:00.

Rev. S. T. Palm of Brook Park, formerly of this vicinity, arrived here last Tuesday evening from Crookston. He called on old friends here and returned to his home Thursday a.m.

Pete Simonson of St. Hilaire was busy hauling wood from Ole Peterson's farm last Tuesday.

The school children of District #12 served their last hot dinner for this season on February 28.

Miss Inga Lokken who has been employed in Thief River Falls this winter arrived here Saturday morning to spend a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lars Lokken.

#### **March 15:**

Oscar Borgie left Wednesday evening for Fargo where he is employed.

Miss Mabel Arneson left for St. Hilaire Wednesday after having spent the winter with her sister Mrs. Ole Thune.

A rag ball social was given at the Braaten school District No. 221 on Saturday evening. A number of young folks attended the social from this vicinity and everyone reported a good time.

#### **March 22:**

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Thune entertained a few of their friends in honor of their son Harvey's second birthday arriving last Sunday afternoon.

#### **March 29:**

Miss Anna Alberg arrived this week from Thief River Falls where she has been employed at the Physician's hospital for a number of years. She will spend a few weeks at the home of her parents before leaving for Minneapolis where she will make her future home.

Mrs. Nels Nelson entertained a few of her friends at a six o'clock dinner on Sunday. Covers were laid for twelve.

The Braaten school was closed for a few days last week, on account of light attendance due to colds.

The Hazel school closed last Monday due to illness of the teacher.

# The Back Page

## WHY I NEVER WASH

A pastor, apparently disgusted with the excuses parishioners offered as to why they didn't attend worship services, included the following "Reasons Why I Never Wash" in the Sunday bulletin:

- I was forced to as a child.
- People who wash are hypocrites; they think they are cleaner than everybody else.
- There are so many different kinds of soap, I can't decide which one is best.
- I used to wash, but I got bored and stopped.
- I wash only on special occasions, like Christmas and Easter.
- None of my friends wash.
- I'll start washing when I get older and dirtier.
- I can't spare the time.
- The bathroom is never warm enough in the winter or cool enough in the summer.
- People who make soap are only after your money.
- I don't like the songs people sing in the bathroom.
- I can clean myself perfectly well whenever I pass a sink, so I don't need a bathtub.
- I know how to stay clean without washing.
- The last time I washed, someone was rude to me.
- What I do doesn't affect anybody but me.
- I know someone who washes every day and still smells bad.
- I don't believe in soap. I sat beside a whole case of it for an hour once, and nothing happened.
- Washing was invented by people who knew nothing about science.
- If people saw me without my makeup, they would laugh at me.
- I'm so dirty now that if I washed, the drain would clog.
- Cats, dogs, and chickens never wash, and they are happy all the time.
- Prehistoric humans were happy all the time until the first soap salesman made them feel guilty.
- If I start washing again, my friends will think I am trying to conform to middle-class standards.
- Washing is for women and children.
- Washing is for people much dirtier than I am.
- I will wash when I find the bathroom that is exactly right for me.
- I only believe in things I can see, and I can't see bacteria.
- Children need to see that it is OK to be different.
- Children need to see a few bad examples.
- Washing may have been OK in my grandfather's day, but it's not practical in today's world. I need to look dirty, talk dirty, and fight dirty to survive.
- I watch other people washing on TV.
- There are lots of clean people who never wash.
- We've just moved here six years ago and haven't had a chance.
- I bought a bad bar of soap once, so I swore I would never wash again!
- I feel as close to washing on the golf course as I do in the bathroom.
- I never wash when I have company.
- Washday is the only day I have to sleep in.
- I know people who wash but don't act very clean.
- My wife washes enough for the whole family
- Washing is the opiate of the masses.