

St. Pauli News in Detail



Greeting and Ushering

Oct. 1 Neil Bugge
Oct. 8 Ken Cedergren
Oct. 15 Craig Folkedahl
Oct. 22 Bryan Grove
Oct. 29 Jerod Haugen

Altar Preparation: Shelley Mathson

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 26
Services are at 11:30 am
Coffee/Muffins 10:30 am

We have an ordained pastor very willing to serve St. Pauli the last Sunday of every month.

Marilyn Grafstrom from Roseau will be here the last Sunday in November to give us all a chance to hear her preach before any formal arrangement is made.

Grafstrom serves the Grygla parish (two churches) and is very interested in helping us as well. Because those services don't end until 10:30 am, we need to set our service time for one hour later – 11:30 am. Coffee and muffins will be served at 10:30 am prior to the service.

Movie Night

Tuesday, November 7
7:00 pm

Movie Night resumes the first Tuesday in November. This year, we will show classic movies and perhaps another series. More in the November newsletter.

FALL EVENT

Sunday, October 8th
4:00 pm

Author Jeanne Cooney

Our 2022 Fall Event promises to be a very entertaining program. Jeanne Cooney, author of the "Hotdish Mystery" series, will be our speaker. Jeanne is from Donaldson, MN and will talk about using the Red River Valley as the background for her stories as well as being a middle-aged female author.

We will serve the traditional Lutheran hotdish meal: hamburger/macaroni hotdish, red Jello, bars and pickles.

There is a flyer in this newsletter you can use to spread the word. Faye is sending a pdf of the file for you to post online. We'd love to fill the church!

Please remember that this is also the occasion that replaces our fall supper, when we would have around \$2,500 in profits that would be given to local, national and global charities. So please give generously.

October Milestones

Birthdays

Oct. 6 Pastor Carl Hansen
Oct. 14 Kyland Rondorf
Oct. 15 Eileen Kotaska
Oct. 20 Jim Nelson
Oct. 23 Chris Carter
Oct. 29 Joan Nelson
Oct. 31 Jim Kotz

Anniversaries

Oct. 25 Jim and Joan Nelson
Oct. 26 Myles and Kathy Alberg



In Memoriam

Lylian “Mickey” Richards

September 14, 1931 - September 21, 2023

Mickey was a sister to Skip Swanson and Sharon Bugge.

Lylian Mae Richards passed away peacefully on September 21, 2023, at the age of 92, with her loving family by her side.

Lylian “Mickey” was born on September 14, 1931, to George and Katharine (Anton) Swanson in Sanders Township, Pennington County, Minnesota. She grew up on the family farm with her nine brothers and sisters. She attended secondary school in St. Hilaire and graduated from Lincoln High School, Thief River Falls in 1949. She was

confirmed at Calvary Lutheran Church in St. Hilaire.

Lylian married Charles R. Richards on June 24, 1951, in Thief River Falls where they made their life-long home.

Lylian worked in retail, specifically sales of china, crystal, and jewelry. She began her work life at Woolworths and then gained knowledge and a love of working with finer things at Elofson’s Jewelry and The Jewel Box. In 1995, she supported her good friend, LeeAnn Nelson, as she opened Diamonds and Designs. She continued to be a presence at Diamonds and Designs as she was able, into her mid-eighties.

Lylian was a true homemaker. She worked diligently at providing a well-cared-for and loving home, nourishing meals and homemade clothes for her family. Her home was often the gathering spot for friends and family. She nurtured her children and then grandchildren, always having their favorites on hand. She enjoyed gardening, not just for the produce, but also for the beauty.

She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church participating in Altar Guild, Circle and the quilting group. In her later years, she made quilts, many of which were donated. She also enjoyed reading. After moving to Birchhaven Independent Living in Bemidji, she became a faithful attendee of Pastor Terry Bernstrom’s church services and Bible study.

Lylian will be remembered as being a strong, pragmatic woman, able to handle whatever came her way. As a family member recently observed, “Gracious in life, gracious in death.”

Lylian is survived by her four children: Kelsy (Michael) Blowers; Karyn (Timothy) Lutz; Ross (Susan) Richards; and Kristie (Jeff) Hensel, eight grandchildren: Hunter (Katlyn) Blowers; Jordan (Nicole) Lutz; Katey Lutz; Becca (Matthew) Belle Isle; Betsy (Kale) Hermanson; Tessa (Ben) Lindberg; Jaymeson Hensel; and Nate Hensel, six great-grandchildren: Emmett and Cedric Lutz; Parker and Quinn Belle Isle; Callen Hermanson; and Caleb Lindberg, sister Sharon (Neil) Bugge; brother Oliver “Skip” Swanson and sister-in-law Shirley Swanson. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Lylian is preceded in death by her husband Charles R. Richards; her parents, George and Katharine Swanson; sister, Eleanor Swanson; and Swanson brothers, Chester, Leonard, Donald, Clifford, Dennis and Leslie.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, October 23 at Olson-Schwartz Funeral Home in Bemidji. Family will greet friends an hour prior to the service, as well as after the service.

St. Pauli Church Council Minutes

August 14, 2023

The St. Pauli Church Council held its monthly meeting on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7 p.m. at St. Pauli

Church. Members present: Jim Strandlie, Cindy Cedergren, Sue Kotz, Myles Alberg, and Marisa Benson. Guest – Faye Auchenpaugh, Call Committee Chair.

Council President Jim Strandlie called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as distributed.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the June 15, 2023 meeting were previously approved via email.

M/S/C (Kotz/Alberg)

Treasurer's Report: The reports for June and July were approved as distributed. M/S/C (Kotz, Alberg)

June 2023

Checking Account Balance End of May 2023	\$14,760.21
Jun 2023 Revenue:	3,670.00
Jun 2023 Expenses:	<u>(1,567.70)</u>
Checking Account Balance End of Jun 2023:	\$16,862.51
Other Account Balances End of Jun 2023:	
Education Fund	\$ 1,417.10
Edward Jones	74,106.71
Memorial Fund	9,051.99
Mission Grant	5,498.96
Savings	<u>37,137.19</u>
Total Account Balances End of Jun 2023	\$144,074.46

July 2023

Checking Account Balance End of Jun 2023	\$16,862.51
Jul 2023 Revenue:	2,820.00
Jul 2023 Expenses:	<u>(2,826.61)</u>
Checking Account Balance End of Jul 2023:	\$16,855.90
Other Account Balances End of Jul 2023:	
Education Fund	\$ 1,419.52
Edward Jones	75,002.85
Memorial Fund	9,067.43
Mission Grant	5,508.34
Savings	<u>37,222.61</u>
Total Account Balances End of Jul 2023:	\$145,076.65

Reports of Members in sickness or distress: No report.

New Members or Interest in Membership: No report. Cindy Cedergren stated that she had received official transfer notices regarding Evie Johnson's and Barb Smith's transfers to other churches. They will be removed from the official membership roster, as well as Harlan Mostrom, who passed away recently.

Other Reports:

1) WELCA: Cindy Cedergren reported WELCA is working on purchasing and sewing items for LWR kits for the fall shipment. The Annual NW Minn. Synodical Women's Conference is scheduled for September 9 at Zion Church,

Thief River Falls. WELCA is working on seeking a program for the Fall Event scheduled for Oct. 8th.

2) Board of Education: Cindy Cedergren reported she had received the calendar for the 2023-24 Sunday School year. Rally Sunday is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 17, which includes a potluck lunch. The Committee is needing substitute teachers.

Old Business:

1) Call Committee Report: Faye Auchenpaugh reported that Pastor Joy Grainger has agreed to preach one Sunday per month through the fall. Discussions/interviews are also being held with Marilyn Grafstrom and Pastor Betty Johnson from the TRF Methodist Church, as other prospective pulpit supply pastors. Faye asked the Council to forward any interview questions that should be considered in the formal interviews of candidates. Faye requested that the Council take over the responsibility of arranging for pulpit supply on the Sundays when Kevin Reich is not available. Three Sundays that need pulpit supply as of now are Sept. 24, Oct. 1, and Oct. 8. The Call Committee can then focus on seeking a permanent pastor candidate.

Faye stated that Kevin Reich has agreed to conduct Christmas Eve evening services, with no morning Sunday services held on that day. He will arrange for an ordained pastor to oversee communion for that service.

- 2) Fall Cleaning Service: Cindy Cedergren will bring up fall cleaning at the next WELCA meeting and determine what and when cleaning should be done. She will contact Tammy Swick to clean again.
- 3) Stained Glass Window Update: Marisa Benson has prepared ballots for congregational members to vote on their favorite designs for the stained glass window. Photos of several designs will be posted downstairs, and ballots should be submitted by September 17, so the Council can authorize the order, based on the results.
- 4) Automated External Defibrillator (AED): Cindy Cedergren reported that Susanne Hinrichs and Jana Johnson will be at worship services on Sun, Sept. 17 to dedicate the AED, and present their donation, in memory of their aunt Shirley Johnson. AED training was discussed by the Council, and Faye offered to contact the TRF Fire Chief to conduct a brief training for the congregation. Marisa will research directional signage for the AED, to ensure awareness of the device's location in the church. She will also look into ordering a first aid kit to be placed in a prominent location.

New Business:

- 1) Thank you: The Council went on record to extend a thank you to all the individuals who have worked hard at keeping the church flower beds looking great this summer.
- 2) Pulpit Supply for fall/ Confirmation Service: Jim Strandlie will be contacting individuals for pulpit supply as needed

- and will arrange for an ordained pastor to conduct a Confirmation Service, typically held in October.
- 3) Offering envelopes: Cindy Cedergren will check on the source of the envelopes, as the supply is currently depleted.
 - 4) Synod Road Trip: Scheduled for Tues, Aug. 22 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Red Lake Falls. Anyone wishing to ride-share with Jim and Jan Strandlie may do so. Sue Kotz, Faye Auchenpaugh, and Cindy Cedergren expressed interest in attending.
 - 5) Snow Plowing Contract: Cindy Cedergren will check into whether or not Dennis Rantenen has been contacted for this winter's plowing needs.

- 6) Candles for Christmas Eve Services: WELCA will be asked to check into ordering the small candles used during the services, as the supply is low. Marisa Benson will research purchasing LED candles for the windows for the service, as most of the battery-operated candles no longer work, despite new batteries.

Next Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 21 at 7 p.m.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer and adjourned at 8 p.m.

Cindy Cedergren
St. Pauli Church Council Secretary

Minutes of the Women of the ELCA

August 23, 2023

The St. Pauli Women of the ELCA met at the church on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 7:00 pm with six members present.

President Kathy opened with devotions titled "Pause the Chaos" based on Psalm 65:6.

Secretary's Report: May and June minutes were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: Expenses from June 28 through August 23: \$213.30; Income: \$50. Checking balance as of 8/27/2023: \$2,147.76; Savings as of 7/31/2023: \$581.04; CD as of 12/31/2022 \$6,258.88.

Stewardship: Jan suggested we get Thrivent cards for stewardship. School supplies have already cost \$130.

Council Report: Rally Sunday is September 17 with potluck. The Call Committee has two pastors as possibilities: Betty Johnson who serves the Methodist Church in TRF and Marilyn Grafstrom who will be serving the Grygla parish. The Council is asking WELCA to weigh in on whether to have fall cleaning this year. The ladies decided we would not. The Council thanked all who kept the church grounds looking so good this year.

Marisa Benson has prepared options for a stained-glass window on the west side of the narthex near the bathroom door. People are asked to use the cover sheet to vote and place their ballots in Marisa's church mailbox.

Susanne and Jana (Johnson) will be here on September 17 to decide the AED in memory of their aunt, Shirley Johnson.

The Council asked WELCA if they would check to make sure we have enough small, hand-held candles for our Christmas Eve candlelight services. Battery-operated candles for the windows are not working. Marisa Benson will purchase new LED candles.

Communications: Thank you notes from Lutheran Social Services and Mason Haugen. Mason thanked us for his senior quilt and said he wanted to "express gratefulness for your support throughout the years."

Old Business: St. Pauli thank you cards are on the top shelf in the office. Synodical Convention is September 9 at Zion in TRF. Registration and coffee begin at 9:00. Six of us are attending.

We need a program for our September 27 meeting. Jan will get in touch with the new director at Heritage Center to see if she will be our guest speaker. October is our stewardship month.

Fall Event speaker: Faye will get in touch with Jeanne Cooney, author from Kennedy of the Hotdish mysteries, to see if she is available.

New Business: Freewill offering on Rally Sunday is for VIP. Mary Circle is in charge of serving. Lydia Circle meets September 13 at Sue's home. WELCA meets September 27. Katy Haugen has September communion prep. Thank you to Cindy for serving tonight.

Offering was taken, prayer partners shared, Table Grace and the Lord's Prayer prayed.

Faye Auchenpaugh, Secretary

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Correction to Recipe in the St. Pauli Cookbook

From Bev Larson: A little too late, maybe, but I just made the Key Lime bars and discovered a change that needs to be made. The recipe is on page 184.

Ingredients for the flour mix are correct; however, first mix 1-1/4 c. for the base. The next 1/4 c. is for the top layer.



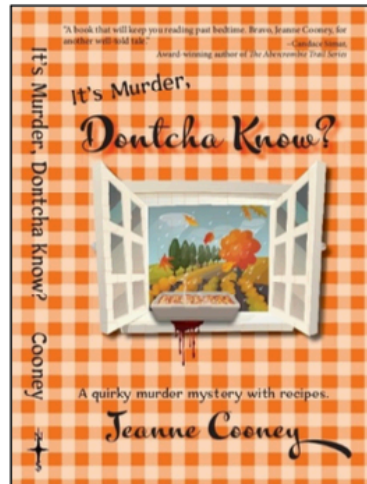
St. Pauli Lutheran Church



FALL EVENT

Sunday, October 8, 2023

4:00 p.m.



Jeanne Cooney, humorist and author of the Hotdish Mystery series set in the Red River Valley, will speak about being a middle-aged female author and how she uses the area she knows best as the settings of her plots. She will also sign and have copies for sale of her new book “It’s Murder, Dontcha Know.”

~ Traditional “Hotdish Supper” following the program ~
~ Freewill donations go to local and churchwide charities ~

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From TRF: 3.5 mi. SE on Hwy. 59, 3 miles So. on Co. Road 20

AED is Dedicated

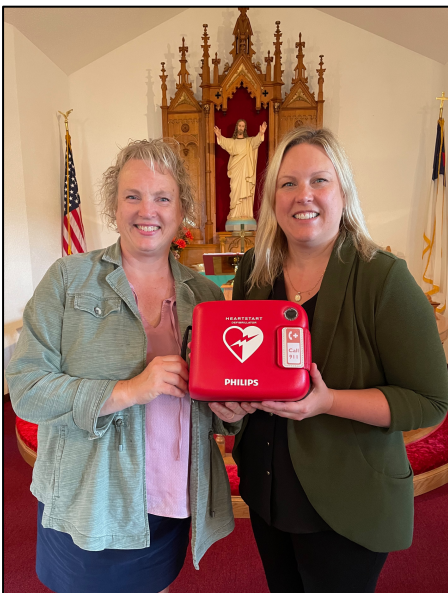
Susanne Heinrichs, Paul Johnson and Jana Johnson, children of Curtis and Marlene Johnson, donated an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) to St. Pauli Church in honor of their aunt, Shirley Johnson. Susanne and Jana were at our services on September 17th for a dedication with this litany:

We present this Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to be blessed for the glory of almighty God and for service in this church.

We accept this as a sacred trust and will guard and use it reverently. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

We consecrate this AED to the glory of God and ask the Lord's blessings on those who benefit from its use.

*Let us pray: Most loving God, without you no words or works of ours have meaning. Accept the gift of our hands as symbol of our love and devotion and care for others. Please bless this AED machine and the hands who use it. May our lives also be dedicated to service to You and all those who walk the Earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***



Susanne Heinrichs and Jana Johnson.
We absolutely love seeing them here again at St. Pauli.



And they brought their families!
It was also Rally Sunday with balloons greeting the children at the front door.
What young child can resist a balloon?



Larry Liden gave an outstanding lesson on using the AED. So good that we hope he's around if or when we have an incident that requires the AED!

Your editor found the cutest book on our Presidents at the Red Lake Elementary School library and media center. You will see these in each future edition of the newsletter. Years of presidential term are included.

Where Didn't George Washington Sleep?

(George Washington, 1789-97)

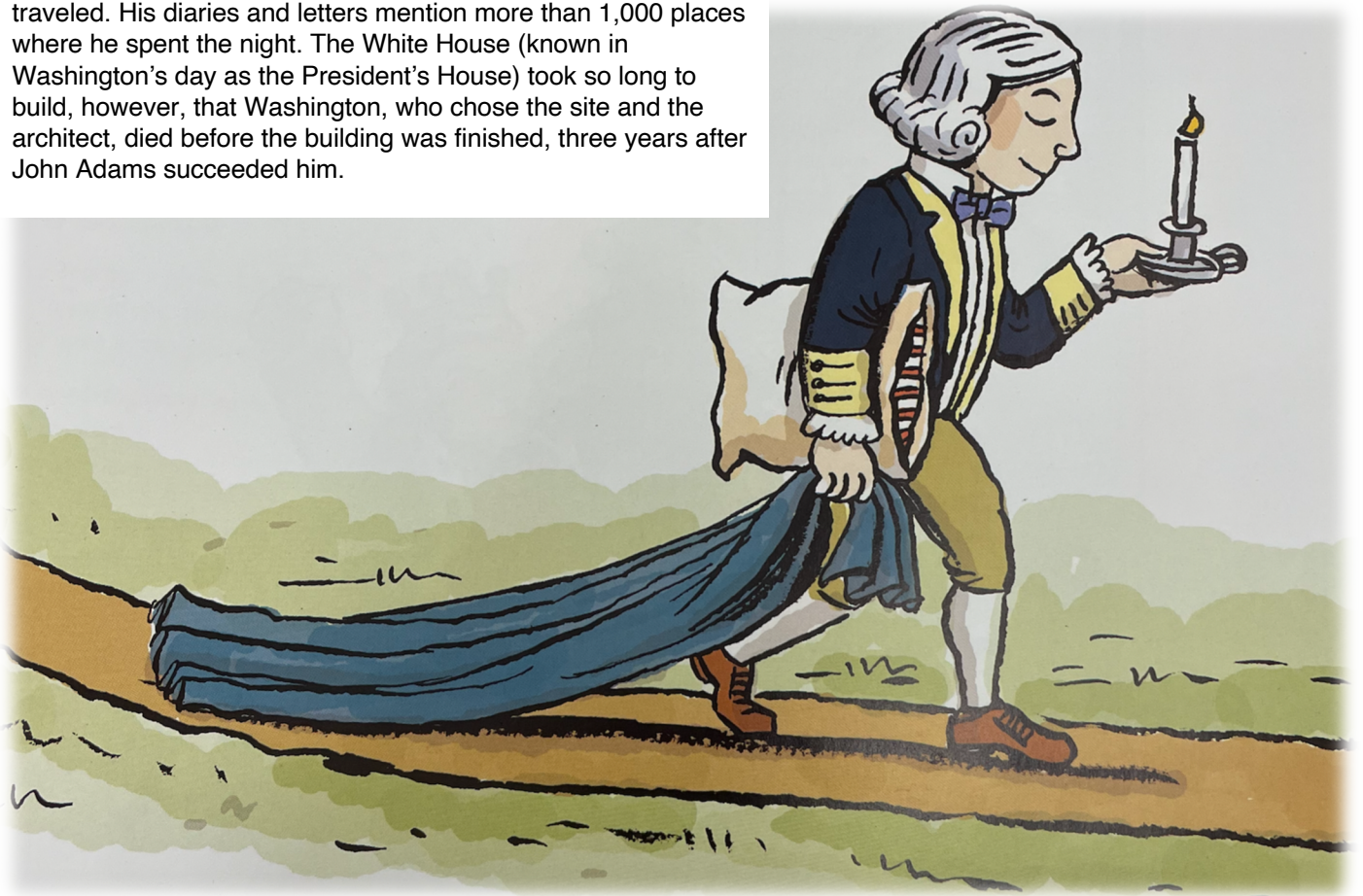
George Washington slept at Charles Polk's, Dr. Brown's, Appleby's, Widow Ramsey's, Governor Sharp's, Judge Bee's.
And his own house, the White House – and he must have slept there. I'll check.

I know he slept at Hog Island Ferry, Fishkill, Swan Point, Turkey Foot, Eagle's Nest, Frog's Neck, Oyster Bay, Orangetown, Red Bank – and the White House? Just a sec.

For sure he slept at Washington's Mill, Barren Hill, Beltsville, Port Tobacco, Pomfret, Whippany, Parsippany, Murdering Town, Nicetown, Hobb's Hole, Hackensack.

But did he sleep at the White House? Not once – and that's a fact.

As a surveyor and military man, **George Washington** often traveled. His diaries and letters mention more than 1,000 places where he spent the night. The White House (known in Washington's day as the President's House) took so long to build, however, that Washington, who chose the site and the architect, died before the building was finished, three years after John Adams succeeded him.



The Back Page



The official sports drink when I was a kid..



"Let's all stand now, and murder Hymn 147..."

NEVER happens at St. Pauli!



When a Lutheran quilter shows up at a potluck!