

Granite Falls Lutheran News Summer 2023

Summer and Pentecost

I have two words to share with you. One is summer and the other is Pentecost. What do those two have in common? How are they connected? When you hear the word, "summer," what comes to your mind? Perhaps it is long weekends "up north" at a cabin. Perhaps it is warmer weather and more hours of daylight. Perhaps you have memories of being outdoors with friends or family around a fire pit. Perhaps summer is travel. Spend a couple of minutes pondering what is summer and what do you hope to have happen in your life these next few months.

When I hear the word, "summer" I think of the many shades of green I see outside. I love the diversity of colors and sizes of flowers. I love watching the crops bursting forth from the ground and we begin to see rows of corn and beans growing. Summer and green make me think of the season of Pentecost. Green is the color of new life and growth. Pentecost is also a season of new life and growth.

All summer long in the sanctuary the color of the altar cloths in the front of the church and stoles that Pastor Deborah and I will wear will be green. In the church year the season of Pentecost begins 50 days after Easter and goes until the First Sunday in Advent, which this year is December 3rd. The theme for the season of Pentecost, like summer is growth. Throughout the summer our lessons will focus on the growth of the early church. In the season of Pentecost we also will focus on growth of us as followers of Christ.

So, what does the Holy Spirit do? The Holy Spirit is a gift who guides us, leads us and empowers us. Through the Holy Spirit, the work of Pentecost continues today. The Holy Spirit is the giver of gifts to people to be the body of Christ and to encourage one another. The Holy Spirit comforts us, the Holy Spirit teaches us, is our companion, and empower us to be the church. The Holy Spirit guides us and gives us peace.

Where do I see the Holy Spirit working here at Granite Falls Lutheran? People show up for worship, people are serving on committees, people are praying for one another, people serving families after a funeral, women are quilting, men & women are studying the Bible, people are setting up communion, serving communion, assisting in worship, people are caring for parents. The list could go on.

Sometimes it is hard to sense the Spirit or experience the Spirit. For me the Holy Spirit is the breath of God at work in us and through us. Here is one way to connect with the Holy Spirit:

Sit quietly, breathe in and say, "Come Holy Spirit." Pause hold your breath to the count of four and then breathe out, "Send me Holy Spirit." That is the message of Pentecost and summer. Slowing down and experiencing the presence of the Holy Spirit. I encourage you to practice breathing in God's presence wherever your summer may take you.

Pentecost Prayer

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform me, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead me,, may the gifts of your Spirit be my strength, and equip me to make a difference, and may your Spirit continue to call me to serve others, Amen.

May the Spirit of God dance in your lives and bring you peace, hope, joy, and love, Interim Pastor Joyce



Worship in June, July, August 2023

Worship with us on Sunday Mornings at 9:00am via Facebook Live.

Come let us worship together as we sing praises to our God and grow in faith together.



June

Sunday, June 4 - The Holy Trinity
Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 26:16-20

Sunday, June 11 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost Scripture: Matthew 9:9-13,13-25

Sunday, June 18 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 9:35-10:8

Sunday, June 25 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Western Fest Worship

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

July

Sunday, July 2 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 10:40-42

Sunday, July 9 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost Scripture: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Sunday, July 16 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sunday, July 23 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sunday, July 30 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost Scripture: Matthew 28:13:31-33, 44-52

August

Sunday, Aug 6 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 26:14-13-21

Sunday, Aug 13 - 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33

Sunday, Aug 20 - 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

Scripture: Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Sunday, Aug 27 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Matthew 16:13-20

Online Worship Services

Worship services will continue to be livestreamed on the GFLC Facebook page.

If you are unable to tune in live, the services will be posted to Facebook and YouTube after being streamed.

Worship services are also aired on the local cable channel 8 on Sundays at 7:00 PM.

GFLC Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/GFLCGFMN/GFLC YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/user/gflcMNelca/feed

~ Western Fest Sunday ~

On Sunday, June 25th, at 9:00 am, we will have a Western Fest style worship in the east parking lot. Come and enjoy the day with some country gospel music and fun.



If the weather is rainy or windy we will have the same service in the sanctuary.

Spread the Word, all are welcome to come!



Stewardship **OF TIME**

You have probably noticed the screen encouraging us to look at the 168 hours we have each week and consider sharing some of that time working with and on a committee. This summer there will be lots of opportunities for us to grow and share our faith as we continue our renewal journey with Dialog Works. We will also be praying and reflecting on where God is calling us to be and do, going forward, as the Transition Team develops the vision for the Ministry Site Profile.

While summer is often described as a quieter time of year or "less stringent schedules" allowing for renewal. Summer to me is much more hectic. It is a time of doing all sorts of extra activities to connect with the flexible schedules others theoretically have. Which is to say it is not a relaxed quiet schedule. Here not only do we have the work of the Transition Team; summer is also a time of planning for the fall.

Summer is a major challenge to my stewardship of my time and maybe for you as well. Keeping a healthy balance of the activities that go with the Wholeness Wheel's six areas of well-being is not easy. No matter the season, we need to keep working on balancing our vocational, intellectual, social, emotional, physical, and financial well-being. All of which takes time. All of which also needs to be held together by the circle of **spiritual well-being**.

Our culture keeps telling us to go for the experience: take vacation trips, "enjoy" the lake, think of yourself. Ads abound that are about superficial experiences "to make us happy". True happiness is found in Christ and keeping that **spiritual well-being circle solid**. Taking time for worship, Bible study and spiritual relationships strengthens that circle. It is all about time.

Now as the summer begins, <u>stop</u>, take time to consider how you will spend your time this summer. Think about your time spent on each section and especially on your spiritual well-being. Does your plan match what you value and does it have the balance for healthy well-being? Or are there areas that need to be reconsidered? I know that I will need to do some work to be closer to a healthy balance. It is an ongoing process as things change and the area that needs work changes.

Summer has a different schedule from the school year even if you are not directly connected to school schedules. May you find it to be a time for spiritual renewal and a chance for improving your balance for wholeness.

Blessings,

Interim Pastor Deborah Nissen

Note: A copy of the Wholeness Wheel is on the Kiosk across from the office.



Monday thru Thursday, August 7th - 10th

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am - 2:30pm

Thursday: 8:30am - Noon.

There will be a Wednesday evening program.

Morning snack and lunch provided.

Day Camp is open to campers who have completed preschool-6th grades. (next year K-7th) Curriculum is tailored to accommodate all ages, including an age-appropriate curriculum of Bible studies, games, and crafts.

Registration will be done through the office with more information being provided as it becomes available.

VBS Food Donations Accepted

We will be accepting food donations for VBS. There will be a sign-up sheet for food donations coming in July. We will provide you a list of items needed.

Leadership Moving Ahead

On Sunday, May 21, church leaders met with Peter Soli from Dialog Works. The purpose of the meeting was to

- ➤ Hear how things have been going with the four action teams that started their work in March.
- > Discuss the current situation at the church.
- > Put together plans for the next three months.

Action Team Information

The **Golden Rule Team** reported completing their work on creating a covenant. During the morning meeting, the group discussed the covenant and brainstormed ways to integrate it into the congregation's daily life.

The **Decision-Making Team** shared the work they had begun on clarifying who is responsible for making particular decisions and how these are made. They reported inconsistencies between the current Constitution, Bylaws, and Staff Handbook to the group. These documents, plus details contained in the pastor's letters of call, should not conflict with each other.

The **Staffing Team** reported meeting together but has yet to make measurable progress. They noted the complexity of their task and the many factors which will determine the outcome. These include the size of the congregation and its pastoral care needs, financial considerations, a shared vision for future ministry, and the availability of pastors and other leaders that might serve the congregation.

The **Building Community Team** said they observed positive changes in the attitude and atmosphere, such as increased participation in pre-worship gatherings and post-worship interactions, with more laughter and a cheerful ambiance. The team decided it would be more effective for various church committees to plan community events, with the Education Committee organizing family-oriented activities, the Outreach Committee arranging social outreach events, and the Worship Committee considering a gratitude-focused evening for volunteers. The team also acknowledged the need for improved communication regarding their partnership with Yellow Medicine in Hanley Falls. They expressed enthusiasm for strengthening the relationship through collaborative community activities, including support for Western Fest and Hanley Falls Threshing Days.

Current Situation

The leadership group discussed the growing interest among members in electing a Call Committee and beginning the search for a new pastor. The group recognized the importance of moving quickly and carefully to this part of the leadership transition.

There was a conversation about the pros and cons of forming a Transition Team. The leadership group decided to move toward the call process differently, and leadership agreed on a new plan and timeline.

Three Month Plan

Over the summer months, two teams will be working to prepare a proposal for a congregational vote. In early September, they aim to present the congregation with different staffing models. The congregation will then vote on their preferred model at a meeting where they will also elect the Call Committee.

Over the summer, the **Staffing Team's** focus will include:

- A careful study of staffing needs (size of membership, finances, availability of pastors and other staff)
- Clarification of the decision-making practices with an up-to-date organizational chart
- Roles and responsibilities for different staffing models
- Review and recommend edits to the governing documents.

A new work group called the **Pre-Call Team** will work with the congregation's vision for mission and demographics. Their work, along with the **Staffing Team**, will equip the Call Committee for its work in preparing the Ministry Site Profile and beginning the search for new pastoral leadership.

Team Members

The **Staffing Team** enlists the following people: Peg Heglund, Mark Sannerud, Joanelle Sannerud, Peggy Hardy, Cheryl Rude, Larry Thielen, Taylor Bakkelund, Elaine Halverson, Pastor Deborah Nissen, and Pastor Joyce Capp. The **Pre-Call Team** is still forming. Those who have agreed to serve are Terri Dinesen, Pat Kubly, Joanelle Sannerud, Karla Bjorndal, Pastor Deborah Nissen, and Pastor Joyce Capp. If you would like to help on this team, please get in touch with Peggy Hardy.

This Covenant is a representation of the values expressed by congregation members. It will be presented to the Church Council for formal adoption at their next meeting. The Golden Rule Team, consisting of Terri Dinesen, Elaine Halverson, and Doug Jans, would like to express their appreciation for the congregation's participation and input in creating the covenant.

Granite Falls Lutheran Church Our Covenant

"Making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3) as both individual members and the body of Christ, as members of Granite Falls Lutheran Church, we pledge, with God's help, to practice and uphold the following values in our life together:

Respect

We believe that every individual is a unique creation of God and therefore deserves to be treated with respect and love.

Golden Rule

We believe we reap what we sow. We practice love and compassion towards everyone trusting that we will receive the same.

Compassion

We will be kind, compassionate, and forgiving of others just as we have been forgiven.

Honesty

We promise to speak directly and honestly to each other, expressing ourselves clearly, calmly, and kindly so that we are certain we understand all points of view within our church family.

Listening

We will listen, with an open mind, to the opinions, ideas, and concerns of others and respond with thoughtfulness and sensitivity.

Peace

We will seek peace in our congregation by willingly working with each other, faithfully building the church congregation God wants us to be, with Christ as our cornerstone.

Paragraph Summary

Together, we who are members of Granite Falls Lutheran Church embrace our shared covenant and confidently pledge to uphold values that ignite love, unity, and transformation. Guided by the resolute words of Ephesians 4:3, we dedicate ourselves to fostering respect and seeing God's presence in every individual. Embracing the Golden Rule, we sow seeds of love and compassion, cultivating a harvest of warmth and understanding. Compassion flows through us as we extend forgiveness and kindness to all. With unwavering honesty, we engage in transparent and compassionate communication, ensuring that all voices are heard and understood. We create an inclusive space through active listening where diverse perspectives find home and harmony. Together, we seek peace within our congregation, faithfully building the church community God envisions, with Christ as our unwavering cornerstone.

The GFLC Council received generous donations from the GFLC Endowment Fund and the Southwest Minnesota Synod for the continued partnership with *Dialog Works. We are so grateful for the support of this important work benefiting the long-term health and growth of our congregation.*

CALLING ALL 10TH GRADE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS & PARENTS

We are excited to share information with you regarding the 10^{th} Graders Confirmation date, expectations, and responsibilities. The decision was made by the Education Committee and approved by the Church Council to have Confirmation service for 10^{th} graders this fall on Reformation Sunday.

As part of the continuing preparation for Confirmation each youth is to meet with a mentor. The purpose of the mentor program is to help youth build a relationship with another member of the church. The mentor program is also meant to help our youth learn to share their faith with others.

A mentor is someone who will pray for the youth, engage in regular conversation with a youth, and is someone to discuss faith in an open and helpful way. If youth could contact a person to be their mentor that would be great.

We would like to meet with parents, youth, and mentors on *WEDNESDAY*, *JULY 12th*, *at* 7:00 p.m. Please let Pastor Deborah or Pastor Joyce know if you cannot make this meeting. Please let us know if you need help with finding a mentor.

We will give you more details when we meet. If you have questions please contact one of the pastors.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY will be SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29th, at 9:00 a.m.

Please mark your calendar now.

We look forward to meeting with the youth and introducing this Mentor Program to them.

June Birthdays

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1	Clark Anderson	9	Kari Anderson	18	Jason Ims	24	Julie Buchholz
1	Donald Knutson	9	Merrick Aus	18	Ginny Olson	24	Elvin Peterson
1	Lucas Damm	9	Debra Foy	18	Nicole Wilkening	24	Chloe Roskens
2	Baylor Anderson	9	Christophe <mark>r</mark> Martinson	18	Janet McCalla	25	Heidi Bakkelund
2	Mary Paulson	10	Betty Korthuis	19	Dennis Enstad	25	Amara Foy
2	Kenneth Timm	10	Nicolle Kotek	19	William Miller	25	Tracy Peterson
3	Mark Anderson	11	Amy Peterson	20	Delores Helgeson	26	Evan Christianson
3	Scott Bjorndal	12	Johnny Mensink	20	Dellis Kietzmann	26	Rita Kessler
3	Jaden Gorres	12	Nick Richter	20	Jani O'Connor	27	Ellery Anderson
4	Betty Knutson	14	Steven Anderson	20	Janine O'Connor	27	Rosina Halverson Stud <mark>er</mark>
4	Samantha Halvorson	14	Lisa Olson	20	Chad Schuler	27	Luke Hauger
4	Joshua Sm <mark>it</mark> h	14	Aria Peters	20	Tyler Syring	27	Diane Hofteig
5	James E. Erickson	15	ElDora Pederson	20	Sar <mark>a</mark> h Wahlstrom	27	Susie Johnson
5	Jacqueline Ettesvold	16	Kipton Erickson	21	Woody Tollefson	27	Carrie Knudson
5	Bradley Monson	16	Evan Fagen	22	Rachel Hauger 🍐	27	Dale Lalim
5	Melissa Syring	16	Gustave Linden	22	Jon Martinson	28	Savana Munsterman
6	Todd Gullickson	16	Vernon Olson	23	Nevaeh Chaparro	29	Sheryl Walters
7	Devin Ladwig	17	Reese Lecy	23	Amy Richter	29	Jaime Wilkening
8	Betty Erickson	17	Victoria Sandberg	23	Orrvin Torke	30	Carter Johnson
8	C.J. Hardy	18	Allan Burthus	24	Arianna Foy		
P	age 6						

- Kathryn Knutson
- Luke Sannerud 1
- Gavin Torvik 2
- Cora Christianson 3
- Paul Sheggeby 3
- John Eckhardt 4
- Todd Lecy
- Mark Stuhr 6
- Robert Lecy
- Nancy West 7
- 8 Sherry Hagelstrom
- Shirley Leyse 8
- Sharon Schuler 8
- Karla Slettedahl 8
- Joan Taylor
- Diana Foy

- 10 Rylee Kleinhuizen
- 10 Deborah Ladner
- 10 Nash Richter
- 11 Barbara Agre
- 11 Ashley Parliament
- 12 Elin Ettesvold
- 12 Harland Hagen
- 12 Eric Soine
- 14 Thomas Agre
- 14 Chase Bjorndal
- 14 Brock Fromm
- 14 Adalynn Munsterman
- 14 Tabby Niemeyer
- 15 Kiersten Luepke
- 15 Ryan Brouwer
- 16 Paul Enstad

- Case Johnson 16
- Andrew Soine 16
- Madelyn Bronson
- Linda Kittl 18
- Gunval Knudson 18
- Cindy Baker 19
- 20 Susan Bergquist
- Andrew Flaten
- Karen Frahm 20
- Hailey DeBlieck 20
- Jack Baker 21
- Debra Oscarson 21
- Gail Aus 22
- Kingsley Richter 22
- Carsyn TeBeest
- Steven Nordaune

- Teresa Stenersen
- Donna Alstad
- 24 Marlys Swam
- 25 Gregory Massmann
- Sawyer Nerdahl
- Kalli Sannerud
- Connie Schuler
- 26 Terry Alstad
- 26 David Hagen
- Patrick Hoernemann
- Keith Sandberg
- 29 Kim Kranitz-Savig
- 30 Lori Anderson
- 30 Marjorie Bottge
- 30 Linda Halvorson
- 31 Sheila Lavoie

- Amber Fromm 1
- Richard Heggestad 1
- Karen Lemcke 1
- 2 Shawnn Martin
- Vicki Bakken 3
- Jonas Zempel 3
- Kaylee Luepke 4
- LaVonne Olsen
- Jon Redetzke
- Finn Hempel 5
- John Pederson 5
- Hunter Wilke 5
- Evan Knudson 8
- Randy Peyton 8
- Kyle Ryer 8
- James Skjefte

- Ronald Fromm 9
- 9 Amy Hagen
- LaDonna Stock
- Andrew Winter
- Evan Friese 10
- 10 Lynette Manee
- Reese Blankenhagen
- Karen Henning 11
- Diane Lalim 12
- Dwayne Erickson 13
- 13 Mary Kietzmann
- Melissa Fagen 14
- Jeff Ettesvold
- Meghan Bosch 16
- 16 Alden Lund
- 16 William Schindler

- Kristin Wilke 16
- Mark Sannerud 18
- Keith Sorenson 18
- Lauren Tjosvold
- Scott Hegna 19
- Benjamin Hauger
- Becky Koepke
- Jennifer Lecy
- Andrew Monson
- Elenora Knutson 22
- 23 Adam Koepke
- Mark Enstad 24
- Angie Knollenberg
- Jerry Kleinheksel
- Harlow Fromm
- Tadd Ihnen 25

- 25 Saraya Burgeson Diane Fagen
- Owen Fromm 26

26

27

- Ryann Kleinhuizen 26
- Eli Parliament 26
- Myles Christians 26
- Diane Peterson 27
- Bonnie Erickson 28

Alexis Uecker

- Paul Krogstad 29
- Jane Schaffran 29
- Myron Hagelstrom 30
- Tamara Moe 30
- Audrey Hanson 31
- Kizar Smith 31
- Alan Zempel

Summer Worship Leaders

June

	6/4/2023	6/11/2023	6/18/2023	6/25/2023	
Greeters			Shelly Loose		
Greeters	Jon & Pam Redetzke	Dale & Di Lalim	Margaret Holien	Mike & Sally Ohliger	
_	Aaron Peterson	Norma Iverson	Carl Imes	Rachel Hagen	
Usher Team	Stan Santjer	Keith Knudson	Scott Santjer	Scott Jans	
Acolytes	Emry Jans	Chase Bjorndal	Braden Eisenbacher	Abbie Winter	
_	Kiptyn Jans	Rori Buchman	Gavin Torke	Alyssa Moe	
Reader	Connie Peterson	Dave Haroldson	Pat Sheggeby	Paul Hoernemann	
Communion	*Karla Bjorndal		Mike Ohliger		
Assistant	*Keith Sandberg	X	Sally Ohliger	X	
	Val Hoffman		Kaye Thorkelson		
	Ali Mensink		Kathy Hendrickson		

July

	7/2/2023	7/9/2023	7/16/2023	7/23/2023	7/30/2023
Greeters				Stan & Darlene	Mike & Sally
Greeters	Doug & Nicole Jans	Al & Barb Lund	Tim & Susie Johnson	Santjer	Ohliger
	Shawnn & Erica	Jim & Kathy	Dave & Amy		
	Martin	Hendrickson	Nordaune	Mark Jensen	Pat Kubly
Usher Team	Doug Peterson	Mark Jensen	Jeff Koepke	Scott Bjorndal	Stan Santjer
Acolytes	Evelyn Martin	Aubree Enstad		Kalli Sannerud	Kourtney Peterson
	Abby Gullickson	Sarana West	Ian Zemple	Addison Fagen	Hanna Bjorndal
Reader	Karla Bjorndal	Sue Bergquist	Darlene Santjer	Kaye Thorkelson	Sally Ohliger
Communion	*Karla Bjorndal		Les Bergquist		
Assistant	Joanelle Sannerud	X	Taylor Bakkelund	Χ	X
	Mark Sannerud		Darlene Erickson		

August

	8/6/2023	8/13/2023	8/20/2023	8/27/2023	
Greeters	Jon & Pam Redetzke	Dale & Di Lalim	Merald & Barb Buchholz	Barry & Kathy Anderson	
	Norma Iverson	Scott Jans	Lori Carter	Rachel Hagen	
Usher Team	Keith Knudson	Scott Santjer	Scott Jans	Doug Peterson	
Acolytes	Jack Mensink	Kyla Smith	Kolten Blankenhagen	Joelle Carter	
	Mario Ochoa		Gunnar Fagen	Abigale Bones	
Reader	Jon Barber	Elaine Halverson	Mark Jensen	Kathy Anderson	
Communion	*Dana Baldry		Doug Peterson		
Assistant	Di Lalim	Χ	Connie Peterson	Χ	
	Amy Hoernemann		Jon Tjosvold		

June 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
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9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion	5	5:30 PM Executive Committee Weeting 700 PM Property Committee Meeting	7 5:30 PM Worship/Music Committee Mtg 6:00 PM Education Committee Mtg	8 2:30 PM Espresso Time	9 Office Closed	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study		
11 9:00 AM Celdoration Worship Service	12	13 6:30 PM Council Meeting	14 1:00 PM Granite Ridge Worship 2:00 PM GFH Care Center Worship	15	Synoo 16 Office Classed	17 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study		
9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion Father's Day	19	20	21	22 2:30 PM Espresso Time	23 Office Classed	24 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study		
9:00 AM Western Fest Wership Service	26 9:00 AM Sewing Day	Newsletter Deadline 27 9:00 AM Sewing Day	28 9:00 AM Sewing Day	29	30 Office Closed			
Women gat	esso Time thering around for fellowship cripture.	the and	linisterial Acts	$ $	ırday N Breakfa	<i>ist</i>		
Chi	e join us at the urch on the I 4 th Thursday	Char Gu	Funerals Hickson - May 13th ahl - May 19th		at Hardee's 7:00 am			

Linda Dahl - May 19th

David Hagen - May 26th

Come and enjoy!

of the month at 2:30 pm.

WELCA

"The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you. He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Dueteronomy. 31:8



John Ortberg states; "The decision to grow always involves a choice between risk and comfort. This means that to be a follower of Jesus, you must renounce comfort as the ultimate value of your life."

This quote is timely for us now as young people graduate from high school and college and as we as a congregation look to the future of our church – God's blessings to the graduates as they enter a new phase in their life journey and to our membership as we continue on our missions of stewardship.

Thank You:

To everyone who helped to make the Salad Luncheon a successful event.

Proceeds of \$3130.50 will be donated to nonprofit organizations listed on page 7 of our WELCA calendar booklet as well as helping with church repairs, as needed.

To Thrivent Financial for grants used to help with the groceries and advertising.

GLM Quilt Auction: July 21 & 22 - Watch for the quilt donation from GFLC, created by Kathy Anderson and stitched by Audrey Borning. Thanks to both women for your contribution. Watch for future media posts.

LWR Child Care Kits: Items needed (sizes 6-24 months) include:

*gowns or sleepers *baby caps *tops and pants

*bath-size bars of gentle soap in original wrappers

Dates to remember:

June 26-28 9:00 am: **Quilting** *Lunch by group 6*

July 24-26 9:00 am: **Quilting**

Aug. 14 9:00 am: **Exec. Bd. mtg:**

Women ELCA

Want to Sign Up for Electronic Giving?

Go to the Granite Falls Lutheran Website. (www.granitefallslutheran.com) On the home page you will see a link titled "Give Online" towards the upper right part of your screen. From there you will be able to complete the easy sign-up. This is a simple way to pre-arrange offerings to the church. Direct link to Simply Giving sign up: click here

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