



Harbor's Beacon

June 2019

Anchored in the Word

Growing through Worship and Prayer

Sharing the Joy of God's Love for All

Harbor of Joy Lutheran Church

1204 L Ave.

Milford, Iowa



Charly's 2 Cents

June 2019

When Hans Egede went to Greenland as a missionary in 1721, he didn't know the Inuit language. His temperament was often overbearing, and he struggled to be kind to the people.

In 1773, a smallpox epidemic swept through Greenland, wiping out almost two-thirds of the Inuit people—and claiming Egede's wife as well. This shared suffering melted Egede's harsh demeanor, and he began to tirelessly labor to care for the people physically and spiritually. Because his life now better represented the stories he told them of God's love, the Inuits could at last grasp His desire to love them too. Even in suffering, their hearts turned to God.

Perhaps you are like the Inuits and you are unable to see God in the people around you. Or perhaps you are like Hans Egede, who struggled to express love in a way that taught people about God. Knowing we are weak and needy people, God showed us what love is like. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins (John 3:16). That's how much God loves you and me.

Jesus is the perfect example of the love that is described in 1 Corinthians 13. As we look to Him, we learn that we are loved and we learn how to love in turn.

Jesus, let me find in You a sense that I am loved. And may my heart not grow cold and cluttered by anger and wounds from the past so that others can see Your reflection in me.

May I never be the barrier that blocks one's view of God

~Our Daily Bread~

Church Council Communication
Harbor of Joy Lutheran Church Council

May 14, 2019

The Council Meeting of Harbor of Joy Lutheran Church was held on May 14, 2019. President Denny Struck called the meeting to order at 7 pm. The following members were present: President Denny Struck, Vice President Barb Rohlf, Secretary Linda Johnson, Treasurer Karen Sunde, Financial Secretary Kristi Peck, and council members Dale Gehrels, Dean Ramsey, and Scott Berry. Welcome and introductions to our new council members Angie Lickhart and Steve Moore. Special welcome to our new Pastor Tim Voth. Devotions and prayer by Barb Rohlf.

The Secretary's minutes of the previous meeting approved as read.

Treasurer's report and Financial report were approved as read.

Pastor Call Committee Report

Pastor Tim Voth accepted our call. He greeted the council and gave a little background about himself and the call acceptance for HOJ. He will start June 1, 2019 with installation being June 9th.

Property Committee

ADA bathroom remodel approved at annual meeting with \$13,000 limit. Doors have been ordered. (Tom Luers)

New sound system approved at the annual meeting with \$24,000 limit. Church computers will also be upgraded. (Steve Letcher)

Parking lot resolution still pending.

Thank you to Karen and Wayne Sunde for the beautiful plants in our flower boxes at entrance of church.

Thank you to Elmer Lubinus, Bob Johnson, Bruce Osher, and Walt Mier for mowing our church lawn.

Staff Support

Thanks to Bob, Charly, and everyone helping HOJ continue during the vacancy and transition time. All is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Bob for planning Lenten and Sunday orders of service. Thank you to Becky, Karen, and all who helped for leading announcements and prayers.

Health Insurance for Pastor Tim and Sharon is being finalized.

Pastor Tim Voth 701-690-3701

Sharon Voth 701-260-8420 (These numbers are in our new directory)

Promotion/Media

Thank you to Barb for keeping us in the shopper with ads on worship dates.

Parish Education for Youth

Joy kids/Joy us ended season with their program "Jesus Lives for Me!!" on April 24th with a great turn out and much enthusiasm. Thanks to all who helped and donated food.

May 22- Joy Us kids plan to build bird houses after school. Come and help!

Connie Jenkins will not be able to direct summer street bible school July 29-August 1st at 5:30-7:30.

Materials approx. \$500 will be ordered. Let church know if you are interested in being in charge of summer street bible school.

Dean Ramsey would like to have confirmation class Wednesday nights 6-7:30 after Joy Us this fall. He will coordinate with Pastor Tim. He needs one helper.

Lessons on 10 Commandments for Joy Kids/ Joy Us will be curriculum for this fall.

Adult Discipleship/Small groups

Bible study group with leaders Patti Thayer and Patt Gehrels will start again this Tuesday May 21st at 9 am in Fireside Room. It is "Seamless" by Angie Smith. Everyone welcome to attend.

Prayer Team

Please pray for guidance and revitalization as we open a new chapter of Harbor of Joy.

Fellowship Team

Dean will continue Wednesday night monthly suppers/special events on 4th Wednesday at 6 pm

Kitchen teams are going well.

Team 1 will be first half of alphabet with leaders being Bobbi Berry and Linda Johnson

Team 2 will be last half of alphabet with leaders being Bev Naape and Karen Sunde

* Note: your team leader will call and ask for volunteers for Sunday treats or for funeral help.

Nursing Home Ministry

Linda and Nancy are busy sharing Christ's love every Tuesday at 1pm at Accura Care Center in Milford.

Thanks to all the extra people like Bobbi Berry and Karen Weber that are donating their own time to see shut ins and visit other nursing homes.

Worship Team

Worship Pulpit Supply Schedule

May 26- Jeff Griffith

June 2- Tim Voth

June 9- Installation with Pastor Perry Fruhling/ Lunch follows service provided by council

Old Business:

Discussion of last month's agenda where council felt pastor should not be a voting member of council.

Pastor Tim Voth agreed with this explanation.

Continuing resolution by the council as per Chap. 16 of the constitution naming pastor as a non-voting member of the council and any committees he desires to attend, and requiring him to excuse himself from the part of a meeting devoted to determining his compensation. This was made into a motion by Linda Johnson and seconded by Kristi Peck. Motion was accepted.

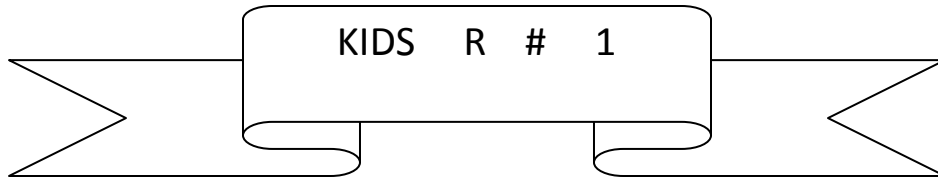
New Business

an updated council information sheet with phone/emails will be sent out via email by secretary Linda Johnson with added names of Pastor Tim Voth and any changes for new council members

Next meeting is June 11, 2019 at 7pm. Devotion: Steve

The meeting closed with Lord's prayer.

Linda Johnson Secretary



PARISH ED MINUTES—May 1, 2019, 5:15pm

Opened with prayer.

Four members present.

Connie Jenkins will not be our Summer Street Bible School Director. Dean will ask others to be Director. Dates are Monday, July 29-Thursdays, August 1st, 5:30-7:30 pm. Dean will also have an adult Bible Study during this time. Dena will order materials from Concordia.

Parish Ed Committee approved a budget of \$500.00 for Bible School which includes all materials and food.

JoyKids/JoyUs meal and program was a success. The Fellowship Hall was full. Thank you to all who provided food and helped in the kitchen!

JoyUs: Dean would like to have a confirmation class Wednesday nights next Fall after JoyUs from 6:00-7:30 for 7th & 8th grades. They would start with a pizza dinner at 6:00. He would need one helper.

JoyUs: May 22nd the JoyUs kids will build bird houses after school. Come and help!

JoyKids: Patti is looking at 10 Commandments curriculum for next Fall. Start date in September to be determined.

Next meeting: **June 5, 2019, 5:15pm.**

Church Council contact information

COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION

President- Denny Stuck	712-320-9751
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Council

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Angie Lickhart	712-324-1922
Steve Moore	712-330-1679
Scott Berry	815-540-7714
Dale Gehrels	712-330-0285
Pastor Tim Voth	701-690-3701



Prayers: Harbor Of Joy, Those who share pulpit supply,

Kristina, Deb Hayenga's daughter, Deb Kyle, Diane Porter, Bob Floss, Mary Jo, Nancy Letcher's friend. Brent, Bobbi & Scott Berry's grandson, Rick Hayes, heart surgery friend of Gehrels. Friend of Dokken family, Alex had liver transplant. Henry Meyer, Barb & Jim Rohlf's grandson, Rick, oral malignant tumor, friend of Linda Johnson, Carol Banta, Jess Buegge, Verne Hansen,

Sympathies to Sharon Voth and family in death of her mother

Please Notify church office of any shut-ins or anyone ill who would appreciate a visit.

- **Gratitude and Praise: Praise and thank you to all our veterans, past and present.**
 - First Sat.** of the month: **Men's Breakfast** at Perkins at 7:30 AM.
 - **Every Tuesday is Nursing Home Ministry** with Nancy Letcher and Linda Johnson
 - **2nd Sunday of each month:** Legion Breakfast at the Legion
 - **2nd & 4th Thursday nights of every month** is Community Table dinners. 5:30-7:00PM at Bible Conference Community Center. No cost to you. Everyone welcome.
 - **3rd Sunday of every month property Committee meets after church in Library**
 - **Every Tuesday Prayer Group at 10:30 AM**
- **All communications for newsletter are due on June 21st.**
- **June 11,** Board And Council Meeting, 7PM

Christmas in June? Not exactly, but it is time to start thinking about collecting items for our Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts. Begin by looking around your home for extra items you might have such as pens, pencils, erasers, note pads, bars of soap, toothbrushes, combs, brushes, gently used stuffed animals or toys or anything that would be appropriate for children ages 2-14. You may place the items on the wire shelving in Charly's old office. Thank you for helping us get started on this important outreach project that reaches children all over the world and shares the Good News of Jesus our Savior. We will fill boxes in early November.

- **QUILT AUCTION COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**
The volunteer Quilt Auction Committee at Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp is looking for people to help plan & carry out the 2019 quilt auction. Just like a body has many parts, we who serve on this

committee currently have different individual skills and interests, such as: organizing; photographing quilts; advertising; utilizing computer skills for a booklet & website; working alongside camp counselors at the auction. One does not need to know how to quilt in order to help this committee, nor does the person need to have skills in all areas. You may have a special love for the camp and are looking to serve God in some way. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer on

this committee or wanting more information, please call Sue Parkins: 507-382-1501.

June 9- Installation with Pastor Perry Fruhling/ Lunch follows service provided by council

The next **Ladies Bible Study** has started, (Tue) at 9AM.

There are 7 sessions for the study of “Seamless” by Angie Smith.

Book will cost \$13.00 and sign-up sheet in Narthex. There is still time to join.

Camp goings on--Okoboji

Eldersivity (55+)	June 3-4—Rev. John Holt
Confirmation/Jr. High (6-9 th)	June 9-14
Family Camp #1	June 16-21—Rev. Pat Quaid
Family Camp #2	June 23-28—Rev. Kip Tyler
Black Hills Excursion	June 29-July 3
Family Camp #3	June 30-July 5—Rev. Brian Spahr
Jr. High Camp (6-9 th)	July 14-19
Family Camp #4	July 21-26—Rev. Amy Selby
Backpack Expedition	July 21-28
Family Camp #5	July 28-Aug 2—Rev. Paul Cross
Family Camp #6	Aug. 4-9—Rev Kyle Fever

Camp goings on—Ingham

Trailblazers #1 (4-6 th)	June 16-21
Pathfinders #1 (2-5 th)	June 16-18
Camp-in-a-day #1 (K-2 nd)	June 19
Camp-in-a-day #2 (K-2 nd)	June 20
Trailblazers #2 (4-6 th)	June 23-28
Pathfinders #3 (4-5 th)	July 7-9
Camp-in-a-day #3 (K-2 nd)	July 10
Camp-in-a-day #4 (K-2 nd)	July 11
Trailblazers #4 (4-6 th)	July 14-19
Pathfinders #4 (2-5 th)	July 14-16
Jr. High Camp (6-9 th)	July 21-26
Outdoor Adv. Camp (7-12 th)	July 28-Aug. 2
LiveWire Music Camp (7-12 th)	July 28-Aug. 2