

# News & Views From Rollo Pews

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Greetings!

Sometimes in our lives we find ourselves scared and afraid of our surroundings. We are unsure where this rocky road we are on is taking us, feeling lost. Can you imagine if all of a sudden Jesus appears dazzling white, and then Elijah and Moses out of nowhere appears right in front of you on this rocky, bumpy road?

Transfiguration Sunday had marked the beginning of the Lenten season. This is where Jesus shows his disciples a glimpse of him bright as the sun on a high mountain. He is getting ready for the Lenten journey to the cross to fulfill God's will. The inner circle of disciples with him are Peter, James and John.

Now mind you, all 3 of the disciples were frightened, especially Peter. Then all of a sudden Elijah and Moses appears out of nowhere in a cloud to talk with Jesus. Nothing like frightening Peter even more!

The heavenly voice that comes out of this cloud says, *"This is my Son, whom I dearly love. Listen to him!"*

This voice is a voice that we need to carry with us always. Remember that no matter how bad things get or how bumpy the road in life is, we need to remember to listen to Jesus' voice through this Lenten journey.

Sometimes people may think we are weird or different when we have a close connection to Christ as we live out our lives in believing in his presence. Just knowing that Christ has a glowing spirit deep inside of us might scare others away. We know that God's presence is in and all around us wherever we are, and no one can take that away from all of us. That even in times of turmoil, Christ's radiant light will lead us down Jericho Road to the cross.

The fear of the Lord is the start of wisdom and truth. When we fear of our surroundings set before us while life is rough and rocky, we then need to remember his voice, saying, *"O you of little faith, why are you so scared"* (Matthew 8: 26).

For Christ said, *"Those that believe in me, even though is dead, shall live. For whoever **lives and believes** in me shall never die"* (John 11:26).

May God's steadfast love enfold you this Lenten Season!

Shalom,

Brian Eide  
Pastor in Discernment





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*Treasurers Report by Wayne Davey*

*From the Money Counter*

BUDGET \$77,690.00		Budget	Actual	Over/Under Budget
REVENUE	January 31, 2021	\$6,474.17	\$10,496.00	<b>\$4,021.83</b>
EXPENDITURES	January 31, 2021	\$6,474.17	\$1,976.40	(\$4,497.77)

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Current Balance in Checking Account: \$56,395.90

Current Balance in Savings Account: \$28,367.83

150 Anniversary Fund: \$ 1,215.73  
Bathroom Fund: \$ 700.21  
Building Fund: \$ 1,072.75  
Diaconate Fund: \$ 1,636.72  
Memorial Account: \$17,147.97  
Undesignated: \$ 6,594.45

Current CD Balance as of 1/21/2021: \$ 4,465.29

Memorial Fund: \$ 20,572.81

\* Memorial Funds are currently located within the CD Investment  
And savings account

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*Pastoral Search Committee Report by Laura Fassig*

Please continue to pray for the Search Committee. We have had another interview and are still getting profiles. Their maybe guest speakers periodically so the committee can make a decision about a candidate. We will let the congregation know when we are ready to have a vote of acceptance.

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## *Diaconate Report by Laura Fassig*

Diaconate met for the first time with new 1<sup>st</sup> year member Zach Kasper, 2<sup>nd</sup> year Laura Fassig, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year Carol Bend. We met via zoom.

### **Things that were covered were:**

- Members duties
- Lists for Ushers, Lay Readers, and Cookie Fellowship
- Flowers for the church
- Candle replacement
- Calendar purchase
- Maintaining church website
- Communion schedule
- Keeping in contact with shut-ins

On the subject of maintaining the church website, Carol would like a backup helper to maintain the website. If you are interested or know of someone who is, please let one of the Diaconate members know.

Another area we want to improve in is for the whole congregation to be in better contact with the shut-ins. We will be putting some cards with their addresses and we would like you to sign a card to let them know we are thinking of them. We will periodically let you know when those are available. Please help us to show them they are still an important part of our congregation.

Coming up: Ash Wednesday service (did not have a service this year ); No Soup/Sandwich will be held this year during Lent; Maundy Thursday Service, Good Friday Ecumenical Service, and Easter Service – TBA at a later date



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## *Moderator Report by Beth Prestegaard*

I am looking forward to serving as the Moderator. Having family, Ron and Dad serve before me, well, hard acts to follow! I will do my best to follow tradition and also bring my personality and prospective to the role. It may take me a little time to completely understand the governance of our church from the inside, but I will work vigilantly. I am always available for feedback or recommendations. With God's grace, we move forward together!

**Please Remember In Your  
Prayers & Thoughts**

All our Service men & women  
'Shut-Ins'

Pastoral Search Committee

Steve Headon (*Wayne & Stacy*)

Judy Martin

Helen Algieri

Chuck Foster

Sarah Luce (*Betty Goble*)

Ruth & Ray McInerney

Annie Sanderson

Bryan Wald

Jane Buland

Martha Bianco

*Family of Fred Weiss (Carol Svendsen)*

*Family of Howard Schou*



**Announcements**

**March 7** - Diaconate Mtg. after worship

**March 14** - Trustees Mtg. after worship

**March 28** - Palm Sunday

**April 1** - Maundy Thursday

**April 2** - Good Friday

**April 4** - Easter Sunday

Diaconate Mtg. after worship

**April 11** - Trustees Mtg. after worship

Council Mtg. to follow

*Newsletter Due!!*



Mar 02 – Hunter Walters

Mar 03 – Jeffrey Adam Svendsen

Mar 08 – Benjamin Maple

Mar 13 – Jeff Svendsen

Mar 16 – Ruth McInerney

Mar 17 – Joshua Marquardt

Mar 18 – Debbie Peters

Mar 19 – Dave Benson

Mar 20 - Jason Jordal

Mar 21 – Christine Schilling  
& David Gibson

Mar 23 – Cierra Bend

Mar 24 – Audrey Kuring

Mar 25 – Wayne Davey

Mar 26 – Olivia & Madelynn Lyons

Mar 28 – Judy Svendsen

Mar 29 - Katie Koks

Mar 30 – Maegan Gletty

Mar 31 – Bryan Wald

April 04 – Kristen (Richardson) Thomas  
& Tami Wooden

April 05 – Carol Bateman

April 06 – Ava Lake

April 10 – Madison Bradley

April 11 – Larry Svendsen  
& Chris Martin

April 14 – Wyatt Gletty

April 18 – Richard Bend

April 19 – Cole Walters

April 20 – Wayne Martin

April 27 – Reagan Gibson

April 30 – Landon Benson

# 2021-2022 Lists

## Lay Readers - 2021

Mar. 7 - Katie Koks  
Mar. 14 - Jeff Svendsen  
Mar. 21 - Bob Gilmore  
Mar. 28 - Ellen Sue Kupecz  
Apr. 4 - Easter Sunday  
Apr. 11 - Stacy Richardson  
Apr. 18 - Ann Gilmore  
Apr. 25 - Beth Prestegaard  
May 2 - Bob Gilmore  
May 9 - Gloria Foster  
May 16 - Ellen Sue Kupecz  
May 30 - Stacy Richardson  
June 6 - Maegan Gletty  
June 13 - Barb Bend  
June 20 - Bob Stevens  
June 27 - Jeff Svendsen  
July 4 - Tami Johnson  
July 11 - Jon Ritter  
July 25 - Ron Wald  
Aug. 1 - Susan Foster  
Aug. 8 - Maegan Gletty  
Aug. 15 - Jon Ritter  
Aug. 22 - Tami Johnson  
Aug. 29 - Gloria Foster  
Sept. 5 - Ann Gilmore  
Sept. 12 - Barb Bend  
Sept. 19 - Laura Fassig  
Sept. 26 - Bob Stevens  
Oct. 3 - Gloria Foster  
Oct. 10 - Beth Prestegaard  
Oct. 24 - Ellen Sue Kupecz  
Oct. 31 - Barb Bend  
Nov. 7 - Susan Foster  
Nov. 14 - Bob Gilmore  
Nov. 21 - Curt Foster  
Nov. 28 - Katie Koks  
Dec. 5 - Carol Bend  
Dec. 12 - Tami Johnson  
Dec. 19 - Ron Wald  
Dec. 26 - Carol Bend

## Lay Readers - 2022

Jan. 2 - Jeff Svendsen  
Jan. 9 - Beth Prestegaard  
Jan. 16 - Ann Gilmore  
Jan. 23 - Stacy Richardson  
Jan. 30 - Maegan Gletty  
Feb. 6 - Barb Bend  
Feb. 13 - Curt Foster  
Feb. 20 - Laura Fassig  
Feb. 27 - Bob Gilmore  
Mar. 6 - Katie Koks  
Mar. 13 - Jeff Svendsen  
Mar. 20 - Laura Fassig  
Mar. 27 - Ellen Sue Kupecz

## Usher - 2021

**April** - Wayne Davey &  
Keith Fassig  
**May** - Zach Kasper &  
Jon Ritter  
**June** - Bob Gilmore &  
Keith Fassig  
**July** - Ron Wald &  
Curt Foster  
**August** - Darryl Kupecz &  
Jeff Svendsen  
**September** - Chuck Johnson  
& Wayne Davey  
**October** - Mike Johnson &  
Dave Gibson  
**November** - Jon Ritter &  
Darryl Kupecz  
**December** - Dave Bend &  
Chuck Johnson

## Usher - 2022

**January** - Jeff & Larry  
Svendsen  
**February** - Dave Gibson &  
Zach Kasper  
**March** - Bob Gilmore &  
Mike Johnson

## Cookie Fellowship - 2021

**April 25** - Stacy Richardson,  
Carol Svendsen, &  
Jessica Olson

**May 30** - (Graduation)  
Deb Davey, Ruth McInerney,  
Sherrie McInerney, &  
Camilla Boston

**June 27** - Gloria Foster &  
Tami Johnson

**July 25** - Audrey Kuring, Lisa  
Johnson, & Barb Bend

**August 29** - Carol Bend &  
Becky Stevens

**September 26** - Judy  
Svendsen, Jamie Gibson, &  
Deb Davey

**October 31** - Martha Bianco  
& Betty Goble

**November 22** - Katie Koks,  
Ellen Sue Kupecz, &  
Barb Bend

## Cookie Fellowship - 2022

**January 30** - Maegan Gletty  
& Jeff Svendsen

**February 27** - Ann Gilmore,  
Susan & Rachel Foster

**March 27** - Sam Ritter,  
Laura & Beth Fassig



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