



## PENTECOST TENT SERVICE



## SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH

Come on everyone and join us for June 5th as we celebrate Pentecost. This will be a tent service on the Upper Church lawn at 9 a.m. Lots of helpers are needed. June 4th, a large team needs to help erect the tent, put out the chairs and serving tables. These all need to be put away after the service on the 5th as well. We will have coffee hour, so cookies and bars are needed, as well as help making and serving coffee and cleaning up afterward. **WEAR RED!!** There will be special music, instruments to play and time for celebration. Let's fill the tent and even have an overflow.

# Sundays and Beyond

## Pastor's Message

Friends in Christ,

After all of that winter-like weather we got seemed to just go on and on for what felt like almost an eternity, the summer weather is finally here! And I for one hope it's here to stay for a while. Summer is by far my favorite time of year, and I know that many other people feel the same. It's a great time for traveling and visiting friends and family, it's also a great time for celebrations and parties, and of course it's a great time to enjoy the outdoors. But as enjoyable as the time of summer is for many people, one of the sinister things that usually happens during this season that doesn't get a lot of attention is how hunger and food insecurity increases among our neighbors around the world. There's a lot of factors which contribute to this rise in food insecurity during the summer and I by no means claim to know them all nor do I hold all the solutions, but there are three major factors I'd like to mention here. First, with most schools not being in session, many students who live in poverty don't have access to the meals and food they receive during the school year through free or reduced lunch programs or meal packing programs in their schools. Secondly, the support for charities, food pantries, and social services who serve those who suffer from food insecurity usually takes a steep dip downward during the summer months. I once talked with the director of a food bank who illustrated this point by explaining how they always received an abundance of donations during the holidays which

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*Pictured above: Vicki Schuh, Hal Schuh, Pastor Eric Tuesday, May 10th Barb Klemp, Pastor Eric, Hal & Vicki Schuh gathered at the Cambridge Food Pantry to deliver our Food Pantry Box donations and \$1,100 check that was collected during Lent at EKLC. (\$1100 = \$550 received in offerings with a \$550 match by church council)*

**God Bless you EKLC Families for giving to our communities need.**

usually kept their services thriving till about May, but then things would tighten up during the summer when they weren't receiving nearly as many donations and the surplus of donations they got during the holidays had greatly dissipated. I know many charities and social services have a very similar cycle of abundance during the holidays and shortage during the summer. Finally, another factor that contributes to food insecurity in the summer is the extreme crop failures and droughts, especially in other parts of the world, as such adverse conditions make producing, growing, and storing food year round nearly impossible.

The good news is that God continues caring for our neighbors struggling with food insecurity and God invites us to participate in this same work. Again, there's many things you can do to help, but here's just a few suggestions.

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First, we can get in touch with your local food pantry and find out how best you can help. If you wish to volunteer your time, find out ways to do so, if you want to donate items then find out what specific items they really need, or if you wish to donate money find out how to do so to ensure that the money goes to the right place. Secondly, we can donate to charities whose mission is ending hunger. There's lots of good ones out there doing this work but there's also a few that are, shall we say a little misleading about where the donations they receive go. I encourage you to research any charity before donating to them, there's a great website <https://www.charitynavigator.org/> that can help with this as it reviews all the finances of different charities to see how the money is actually spent and grades each charity for how faithful they are following their mission. Two faith-based charities whose main mission is ending hunger that I contribute to on a regular basis and would recommend all of you to research are *ELCA World Hunger* and *Bread for the World*. Third, we can listen to stories of people who either have suffered from or still currently do suffer from food insecurity and look for what factors contribute to this situation. Fourth, we can get in touch with those who are in power, i.e. your mayor, your state officials, your members of congress and so on, and advocate to these elected officials for just policies that will help those suffering from food insecurity. Our faith has long history of advocating for justice for the oppressed, going all the way back to when Moses advocated to his political leader Pharaoh to free the Israelites from their slavery, and we can continue that tradition of advocacy today by speaking on behalf of the most vulnerable amongst us today. I personally do a lot of this kind of faith-based advocacy work through the charity *Bread for the World*, if any of you would like to become involved in this work let me know and I'll get you connected, trust me it's easier than it sounds. Finally, we can pray for everyone struggling with food insecurity. As we enter into this season of summer when food insecurity increases, let us pray that God will give us the eyes to recognize and the hearts to care for all those affected by this deep injustice, as we continue living out our life together as church.

Shalom to you in Christ,  
Pastor Eric.

Call to Order at 6:06– Hal, Oren, Don, Kristen, Pastor Eric, and Denise Present  
Agenda Changes/Additions  
Devotions – Denise  
Ephesians: We are his workmanship.  
Review and Approval of Financials as sent by Judy  
Hal noted that you can use Required Minimum Distributions from retirement accounts to donate tax free to charities. Hal is going to write up something for us to review at the May meeting.  
Oren moves to approve financials, Don second. Motion carries  
Approval of Minutes from last Council meeting  
Oren moves to approve meeting minutes, Denise second.  
Motion carries  
Reports: Review and approve: Worship, Education, Property  
Education: Aug 13 Sunday School Extravaganza from 1-4 in the afternoon. Looking into getting an estimate to deep clean the education wing. Denise to see if we could get an estimate for entire church.  
Property: Nathan to follow up on snow removal  
Don moves to accept reports, Denise second. Motion carries.  
**Old Business:**  
Thank You's  
Unsung Hero for June ideas: Lane T. Nathan to send ideas for Don to write.  
Funeral coordinator. Follow-up on First pass at expectations on page 2 – **Tabled.**  
Camera System Update – Installing this week.  
Coffee Maker update – In and working  
Need person to review Newsletter- Hal to review monthly.  
Follow-ups from March/April  
Outdoor Spring Cleaning  
Outside – day 5/14 9-12 Snacks by Denise. – Plan by Nate/Lane  
Coffee hour sign-ups – Don is going to talk to Julie about getting a list of folks and assigning weeks like we do for readers and worship assistants, etc  
Next steps for education wing research:  
Denise to talk to Grace about their committee and look for a congregational needs assessment survey online.

**New Business**

Review newspaper blurbs to confirm all are accurate  
Oren to do  
Natasha Amundson for one year term for Audit committee  
Denise moves to approve, Hal Second. Motion carries.  
Ukraine money – \$3575 collected –  
Oren moves approve up to \$1500 to go directly to Natasha and her family's community contingent on needs, balance to ELCA. Hal Second. Motion carries. – Kristen to talk to Holly about sending the balance on.  
Food pantry donations \$550. Denise moves that the matching funds comes from interest from Money Market. Oren Seconds. Motion carries. Kristen to talk to Holly about this.  
Aagot Borge/Constitution updates – Update as needed. – Kristen to send to Julie  
Letter for quarterly statement. Pastor Eric to write this.  
Proposal: Update Carpeting in Upper church  
Don moves to get multiple quotes for upper church carpeting, Nathan Seconds. Motion carries. Hal to talk to Bonnie about ideas/next steps  
What other things to work on with Pastor Eric?  
General conversation about working together.

**Confirm next meeting:**

May 16, 6:00  
Adjourn/ Close with Lord's Prayer – Oren, moves to adjourn at 8:24, Denise Second. Motion carries

Tabled –  
Redesign of landscaping  
Funeral Representative and Handbook Review  
Youth Director hiring

**June Council Meeting:  
Monday, June 20 at 6:00pm**

**2022 COUNCIL**

- PRESIDENT:** Tom Locchetta  
**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Nathan Stach  
**SECRETARY:** Kristen Lien  
**TREASURER:** Don Amundson  
**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**  
 Oren Hammes  
 Denise Rockney  
 Hal Schuh

*If you need to speak to a council member please call the church office to leave a message and they will return your call.*

***Treasurer's Report***

April 2022 Contribution:	\$23,413.26
April 2021 Contribution:	\$29,832.04
April 2022 Expense:	\$18,847.66
April 2021 Expense:	\$24,270.28
YTD 2022 Contribution:	\$76,024.12
YTD 2021 Contribution:	\$107,772.49 *\$24,900.00
	PPP Loan
YTD 2022 Expense:	\$67,262.00
YTD 2021 Expense:	\$72,466.25



Pastor Eric Hanson's installation service was May 15, 2022  
 L to R: Pastor Eric Hanson, Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe,  
 Walter Baires, Marie Leafblad



As most have heard, sadly, we will be losing Julie Kriedeman on June 15 as our Church Office Administrator. We will start the interviewing process shortly. We would welcome any volunteers should there be a gap in this position! Please reach out to Jaime Lewellin, Chris Frodel, or Lauren Mancheski.

***President's Message*** Tom Locchetta

A lot of people, members of our Church and elsewhere talk about service and being called to something. Be it a sense of duty, a need to help others, a way of giving back or just out of a love of Christ and his message, many of those same people will answer that call and leave something better behind them when they move on to their next calling.

It is something that most of us have felt within our lives and will or have done something about. We don't do it for recognition or for fame or for any other reason that we feel that is what we are meant to do at that time.

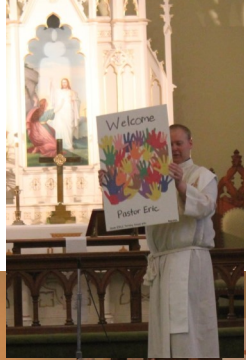
Sadly, Julie Kriedeman, our Church Office Manager, will be leaving us on June 15<sup>th</sup> as she has been called to her next adventure and has, and I am sure will continue to be a blessing everywhere she goes.

We have been honored for the last 14 years to have her serving our Church and it's extended family in meaningful and even mundane ways that most of us have not seen or recognized but in ways that have ensured that things at our Church run smoothly and efficiently and that we, the members of our Church, have our agendas, bulletins, services and all the people that make every service run smoothly arranged and coordinated.

She has assisted 4 different Pastors, numerous interns, and supply Pastors. She has worked diligently in ensuring the many events that occur at our Church go smoothly – weddings, baptisms, funerals, confirmations, etc. She has helped numerous Church Councils and Committees get going and ensured they have the information they need, and she has always been willing to listen to anyone that comes in or calls and done so with a smile and an attitude of "How can I help"

I asked a number of people about her and everyone had positive comments and experiences with Julie and are sad, as I am, to see her go but wish her all the success.

I just want to say to Julie thank you for all the help you have given me and for your service and dedication to EKLC. You are definitely leaving us better than when you started and for that we say thank you. You will be missed!



**Greetings from the Church Basement**

Thank you to Joy Circle for servant duties in May, and to Light Circle for June. We will meet in the basement on Thursday, June 2 for Pin and Sew at from 8 Am to noon. Get there whenever you can. We break for coffee around 9:30 and have the business meeting at that time. I am not able to get into the basement right now, so we badly need folks who can tie knots to get the work done. (Not that I do that much, but I hear the tables are full and ready to tie.) I must also thank all of you for cards and prayers. I took a digger and needing to do the job up right, broke one ankle and sprained the other! Just another reminder that getting old is not for wimps.

Thanks to all of our loyal Meals on Wheels delivers. Here is the next schedule.

Mon. 6/20 & Tue. 6/21: Don & Eileen Hoehn  
 Wed. 6/22 & Thur. 6/23: Ron & Shawn Anderson  
 Fri. 6/24: Bud & Beverly Lien

Mon. 6/27 & Tue. 6/28: Jeff & Sandy Notstad  
 Wed. 6/29 & Thur. 6/30: Ken & Marge Stach  
 Fri. 7/1: Bud & Beverly Lien

Blessings to all in the East Koshkonong family and beyond. Communicator Carolyn

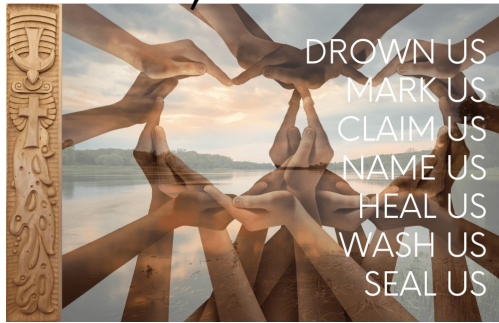


EKLC Is in need of Sunday School Teachers! As we start planning for fall of 2022 – we need volunteers to work with our Sunday school kids. If you have interest, please reach out to anyone on the education committee: Denise Rockney, Erica Lein, Chris Frodel, Hilary Terland, or Heidi Woodstock.



**Congratulations to the 2022 Confirmation Class**  
 L to R: Pastor Eric Bakken (WKLC), Tracy Travis (WKLC), Christian Terland, Shanna Schlieckau & Pastor Eric Hanson

# BORN, REBORN!



## SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2022

We were the delegates to the SCWS Assembly held the first weekend in May. This assembly had many facets to it. Worship, original music, business details such as reports from the Bishop, and synod officers, voting for new officers and resolutions and highlights of the year. One of them being, there have been 11 new pastors installed as of writing this.

We were reminded of all the outreach our synod as well as the greater ELCA is pursuing. There are groups that appear at disasters and volunteer all over the country, Lutheran Social Services offers much help, we contribute to World Hunger as well as local food needs, there are various classes and training sessions available in person or via Zoom, and empowering laity to take a greater role is a goal.

Instead of various workshops available, this year there was a panel discussion of pastors and leaders from various parts of the country as well as different backgrounds. A pastor lead the discussion and each panelist weighed in on the subject.

Some takeaways that were highlighted:

1. Be welcoming and develop relationships with others that are genuine .
2. Be aware of any stumbling blocks that may prevent people from coming into church.
3. Celebrate your legacy, but move forward and take time to listen, not persuade.
4. What is God doing in the world? We say we love everyone, do we really show it?

When we recognize and understand that our congregation finds its fulfillment in the universal community of the Church, and the universal Church exists in and through congregations, we realize that we live in partnership relationships as people of God and each other.

Hal and Vicki Schuh



## *EKLC Homebound Members*

**Melissa Anderson** ~ Home  
279 Hwy A, Cambridge, WI 53523

**Harriet Eikland** ~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Irene Hensel** ~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Bea Householder** ~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Gary Johnson** ~ Home  
1513 Raveen St., Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

**Janette Klemp** ~ Milestone Senior Living  
1870 Market St. (Room 1), Cross Plains, WI 53528

**Arlen Lund**~ Home Again  
308 England St., (Room 116) Cambridge, WI 53523

**Betty Scheel** ~ Home Again  
308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523

**Phyllis Vergenz** ~ Our House  
201 W. Madison, Cambridge, WI 53523

## *Thank you*

We don't realize how important accessibility is until we need it ourselves. I want to thank the East Kosh congregation for having the insight to make our building totally accessible back at the turn of the 21st Century. Now that I need it, this has become so much more important to me, and to others along the way, We may have wondered if this really was necessary, but I can tell you yes it is needed, and so appreciated. Thank you to all who have remembered me with cards, gifts, food, errand running, and prayers at this time. It isn't easy to ask for help, but that help is so much appreciated.

God Bless you all. --

Carolyn Lien

# Worship Helpers for June 2022

## In-Person and Virtual Worship Every Sunday at 9:00am with communion

*If you are unable to serve on a date you are scheduled please make every effort to find a replacement. If you have any questions or concerns please communicate with the appropriate contact person.*

*Thank you!*

### **Sunday Readings ~**

6/5 ~ Acts 2:1-21; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; Rom 8:14-17;  
John 14:8-17

6/12 ~ Prov 8:1-4, 22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5;  
John 16:12-15

6/19 ~ Isa 65:1-9; Ps 22:19-28; Gal 3:23-29;  
Luke 8:26-39

6/26 ~ 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21; Ps 16; Gal 5:1, 13-25;  
Luke 9:51-62

### **Organist~**

Judy Rusch

### **Assisting Ministers~ (Contact Person: Joy Graffin)**

6/5 ~ Gloria Fruit

6/12 ~ Holly Loomis

6/19 ~ Carolyn Lien

6/26 ~ Vicki Schuh

### **Lay Readers~ (Contact Person: Office)**

6/5 ~ Elizabeth Kaashagen

6/12 ~ Barb Klemp

6/19 ~ Beverly Lien

6/26 ~ Carolyn Lien

### **Acolytes ~ (Contact: Students/Parents via google doc)**

6/5 ~ Zack Durkee & Kyle Durkee

6/12 ~ Kaylee Lund

6/19 ~ Christian Terland

6/26 ~ Payton Mancheski & Rylie Mancheski

### **Greeters~ (Contact Person: Judy Rusch)**

6/5 ~ Hal Schuh

6/12 ~ Tom & Trudy Spike

6/19 ~ Holly Loomis

6/26 ~ Gloria Fruit

### **Ushers~ (Contact Person: Vicki Schuh)**

6/5 ~ Peggy Luther & Jane Furseth

6/12 ~ Tom & Trudy Spike

6/19 ~ Terland Family

6/26 ~ Zahn Family

### **Communion Set-up/Take-down~**

*(Contact Person: Marge Stach)*

Altar Guild

### **Offering Counters~**

*(Contact Person: Joy Graffin)*

6/5 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

6/12 ~ Joy Graffin, Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel

6/19 ~ Joy Graffin & Gloria Fruit

6/26 ~ Brenda Schroeder & Leila Carl

### **Coffee Hour~ (Contact: Sign-up in Kitchen)**

6/5 ~ Outdoor Tent Celebration

6/12 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/19 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

6/26 ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

### **Church Lock up~**

*(Contact Person: Holly Loomis)*

6/5 ~ Holly Loomis

6/12 ~ Vicki Schuh

6/19 ~ Carolyn Lien

6/26 ~ Gloria Fruit

# June 2022

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

			<b>1</b> 6:00pm Worship Committee Meeting	<b>2</b> 8am Pin & Sew	<b>3</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 9:00am Outdoor Tent Worship 9:40am Coffee Fellowship	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting	<b>8</b> 6:00pm Education Committee Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9:00am Worship 9:40am Coffee Fellowship	<b>13</b> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	<b>14</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting	<b>15</b> Julie's last day 9:00am Newsletter Assembly	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:00am Worship 9:40am Coffee Fellowship	<b>20</b> 5:30pm Property Committee Meeting 6:00pm Church Council Meeting	<b>21</b> 9:00am Staff Meeting	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>25</b>
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<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">           Pastor Eric on vacation June 27-July 3. Pastor returns to office July 5.         </div>						

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

## WORSHIP WITH US 9:00AM SUNDAY MORNINGS

- IN-PERSON - YOUTUBE - FACEBOOK

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Remember to like the videos and subscribe to the channel! <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChUv6MDQV54yCWz6oIGWezw>

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Option 1: Go to [www.eastkoshkonong.org](http://www.eastkoshkonong.org) and click on Donate. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on the website.

Option 2: Scan this QR code with your smartphone. Create a profile through this secure website, if you haven't already, and complete the form on the website.

Option 3: Download the GivePlus app on your smartphone for either Android or iOS. If needed, create an account with your email address. Sign into your account and search for "East Koshkonong Lutheran Church." Select the plus "+" sign and complete the form.

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OFFERINGS ARE ALSO ALWAYS APPRECIATED BY MAILING TO:

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