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Currents

JUNE 2014

SUNDAY SUMMER

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Our Sunday worship schedule will change for the summer. We will have one Sunday morning service at 9:00 and starting June 15 we will add a 6:00 p.m. service. Communion will be offered at both of the Sunday services. Some of the 9:00 am services will be held outside in our outdoor worship area called Whispering Pines. Please see that schedule below.

May 25 - outside	July 6 - inside	August 3 - inside
June 1 - inside	July 13 - inside	August 10 - inside
June 8 - inside	July 20 - outside	August 17 - outside
June 15 - inside	July 27 - outside	August 24 - outside
June 22 - outside		August 31 - outside
June 29 - outside		

Location of 9:00 am service

SERVE YOUR NEIGHBOR DAY—JUNE 8

The second annual Holmen Area Lutherans "Serve Your Neighbor Day" will be Sunday, June 8th. Halfway Creek Lutheran, Journey Lutheran, and Holmen Lutheran are joining hands to serve our

appreciated.

We are looking for more service opportunities, so please let us know of people/places that could use a few helping hands.

Let's roll up our sleeves, dig out those work gloves, and give God glory by serving Christ through our neighbor!

community. We will gather at noon on the 8th at Halfway Creek Park in the shelter to get assignments to serve and from there go into our community and serve our neighbors. There will be many service opportunities. If you have yard tools, work gloves and other things that could be shared, that would be

At the end of our service, 5:00pm, we will gather for a grill-out potluck at the Halfway Creek Park and celebrate the day. Bring a dish to pass and something to grill and we will enjoy food and fellowship together.

You do not have to serve the entire time, and there are many projects that will be shorter in duration if you cannot commit to the whole day.

For those unable to attend, the following donations are welcomed:

**Books all ages/types]
Puzzles and games
Sheets, pillow cases,
blankets for our WELCA
quilters.
Please drop off items in
the church basement.**

All items can be New & gently used.

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HALFWAY CREEK LUTHERAN CHURCH

W6016 County Road W
Holmen, WI 54636
Phone 608-526-3701
Pastor Jean Pagliaro
Worship at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays and
6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays
www.halfwaycreek.org

Return Service Requested

OFFICE HOURS

The office will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. If you need to reach Kathleen Jensen, you may leave a message on the answering machine or e-mail her at assistant@halfwaycreek.org.



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NEWS AT HALFWAY CREEK

PASTORAL ACTS

Confirmation:

Cassandra Bandoli, Tyson Gates, Zach Gordon, Kindra Johnson, Lars Oines, Trevor Plomedahl, Rachael Temp and Jordyn Stasiak (May 4)

New Members:

Chad, Patti and Chance Brandeau (April 27)
Wedding: David Butts and Rose Fredrickson (May 10)



2013 CONFIRMANDS

Back row: Tyson Gates, Lars Oines, Pastor Jean, Cassandra Bandoli, Rachael Temp.

Front row: Jordyn Stasiak, Trevor Plomedahl, Zach Gordon, Kindra Johnson



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 10-13

Stay tuned for more details!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

SOCIAL SECURITY WORKSHOP—JUNE 11

Please join us at the Onalaska Library (Meeting Room A) on June 11 at 6:30 p.m. for a workshop sponsored by the La Crosse County Chapter of Thrivent Financial. When it comes to navigating the Social Security landscape, the

choices can be overwhelming. And even just one mistake can be costly for the rest of your life. Join us for a presentation to explore how to sort through the red tape and options to help ensure the choices you make are right for you.

Please RSVP to Chapter President, Julie Markos at 608-317-8324 by June 5th. Refreshments and treats will be served during the workshop.

LUNCH AT BLAIR LUTHERAN-EAST—JUNE 11

Please join us for fun and fellowship on Wednesday, June 11 at Blair Lutheran-East. The guest speaker is June Abernathy and she

will be speaking on "Art Quilting". Registration and coffee is from 9-9:30am and the workshop and program will begin at 9:30am with

lunch to follow. The cost is \$7.00. Please RSVP by June 5th to Gerta Anderson 608-525-2280.

SERVING AT "COME FOR SUPPER"—JUNE 17

We need people willing to work and serve for the "Come for Supper" meal at Our Savior's Lutheran in La Crosse on Tuesday evening, June 17, 4:30-6:30 pm - if you can help please talk to Ruth Scholze, 526-3064. Thanks.

SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP

Please see the Sugar Creek Bible Camp website for ways you can help this summer, donations they are in need of and summer camp options. <http://wp.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org/>

LOGGER'S GAME—JUNE 19

Theology Uncorked and On Tap —A Night at the Ballpark

La Crosse Loggers Game
 Thursday, June 19, 2014 starting at 5pm
 Adults only - \$25.00 on DJs Vogue Sports Deck

Please register online
<http://northwoodsleague.com/la-crosse-loggers/>

Use promo code "rock" to receive a \$5.00 discount.

If you need help ordering your tickets, please call the church office at 526-3701.

This ticket includes all you can eat, drink and the price of the game. The game starts at 7:05 pm. Please join us.

LIVING HOPE SUPPER

"Come for Supper" is hosted by Living Hope, 15360 East 4th Street, Ettrick, Wisconsin third Sunday of

each month from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. We will serve the meal on July 20.

NEWS AT HALFWAY CREEK—CONT.

Our Sunday School children planted pumpkin seeds in our garden. They will harvest them in September.



NEW TECHNOLOGY TEAM FORMING

Halfway Creek is seeking members of the congregation that would like to be part of a technology group.

This technology group would assist Halfway Creek with its technology needs.

Items that members would assist with may include:

- Halfway Creek website administration
- Desktop support
- Network management
- Data & storage management
- Evaluating new technologies that could benefit HCLC
- Minimizing cost of technology solutions



The main goal of this group will be to ensure that Halfway Creek is utilizing technology in a manner that supports the vision of "reaching out to share Christ with all."

Please e-mail Aaron Balow at aaronbalow@halfwaycreek.org if you are interested.

SERVING OTHERS IN OUR CONGREGATION

		SEXTON	ALTAR GUILD	OFFERING COUNTERS	LECTOR	COMMUNION ASSIST.	USHERS/ACOLYTE
JUNE 1	inside	Morgan Jostad	Barb Hale Bette Pedretti	Rhonda Britton Sonja Nelson	Marge Lee	Ruth Scholze	Mally Family
JUNE 8	inside	Matt Pagliaro	Diane Jostad	Emily Jostad Thelma Severson	Ruth Scholze	Sonja Nelson	Mally Family
JUNE 15	inside	Josh Johnson	Carrie Payne Nicole Stumlin	Duane and Mary Crocker	Raymond Lee	Hannah Scholze	Archie & Priscilla Achterkirch
JUNE 22	outside	Dave Bringe	Karla Johnson Hannah Scholze	Bette Pedretti Susan Jostad	Rhonda Britton	Lee Anderson	Sally Johnson
JUNE 29	outside	Morgan Jostad	Diane Jostad Nancy Holley	Gaye Johnson Mike Martin	Kristi Johnson	Jessie Booth	Mark & Nicole Craig



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3	10	19	27
Bryce Hale	Brian Johnson	Anna Holley	Sami Adam
		Kristi Mally	Matthew Harper
4	13	Andrew Wilson	Aiden Noth
Blake Anderson	Joseph Anderson		
Jordan Anderson		20	28
	14	Glenn Schmidt	Luciana Jessesky
5	Susan Swackhamer		
Terrie Borden		23	29
Samantha Daily	15	Dawn Stenson	Gunnar Gates
	Tyler Rosenow	Nadine Strauss	
6			30
Brenda Herman	16	24	Kathy Boldt
Steve Mally	June Gordon	Jack Bringe	James Gran
Liam Oines		25	
Aleasha Payne	17	Elvern Nyseth	
	Mary Gordon		
8	Dylan Hale	26	
Bonnie Trapp	Abbey Stasiak	Michael Betsinger	
9	18		
Alice Miller	Jessica Harper		

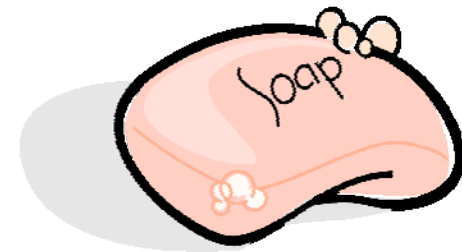


Theology On Tap



NEWS AT HALFWAY CREEK—CONT.

Meditation - SOAP



Scripture

Observation

Application

Prayer

Which soap best describes you? (or maybe you are a mixture)

- **Liquid** - Ready to go. She always has to be in motion. Is constantly running errands or perhaps ruuning her children around for soccer practice and other things.
- **Foaming** - Bubbling. Happy all the time. She laughs a lot and even likes to tell a joke on occassion.
- **Bar** - Pretty standard. She's just happy being herself and likes to blend in with the crowd. Doesn't like to make a fuss or have people notice her.
- **Scented** - Smells good. She has a great attitude. People like being around her because she's so sweet and pleasant.
- **Powdered** - A little flakey. She tends to forget things such as appointments and birthdays. Tends to show up late. Everone loves her anyway.
- **Waterless** - A little dry in the humor area. When people make a fuss over something, she just doesn't understand it. She's pretty level headed.

Julia Bettencourt

NEWS AT HALFWAY CREEK—CONT. FELLOWSHIP/OUTREACH JUNE 21 EVENT

2nd Homebrew4us Fellowship
must be 21 years old to attend

Saturday, June 21st at Bob & Dawn Bandoli's (1002 Remington Drive, Holmen)

We crack grain at 11 a.m. A small lunch, blessing & short lesson at 12-12:30.

Lesson: Brewing, Martin Luther,

Monks, Monasteries, Patron Saints age!!!
of Brewers & their miracles.

Bring a chair, and if you'd like 2-3 bottles of your favorite micro beer to share.

Home Brewers join in! Bring a 6 pack of each of your beers to sample & judge.

This is a fellowship you DO NOT have to drink an alcoholic beverage!!!

Snacks, root beer, water, also provided. Free will offerings welcomed.

If interested RSVP by June 17th for directions & so we can prepare food; Dawn 608-498-0774 email @ squeezme1@hotmail.com or Bob robertbandoli@hotmail.com

As a fundraiser for our Youth Group, people could "vote" on who they wanted to throw a pie at by putting change in cans labeled Sam Daily or Pastor Jean.

Pastor Jean won and the Youth Group raised \$120.29. Thank you to everyone that participated.



GREEN THUMBS AND GRUBBY FINGERNAILS

Our Halfway Creek garden is planted (the easy part) and will need care from caring hands to grow and thrive this summer. You are invited to help weed and water and harvest as needed. If you don't have green thumbs, then grubby fingernails will do! There

will be a sign up sheet going around church every Sunday if you are interested in helping out with our garden. Go down to the garden and take a look!



NEWS AT HALFWAY CREEK—CONT. VISION BOARD MEETING MINUTES—MAY 8

David Gates called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Pastor led us in a devotional about dreams and goals, which we will revisit at the June meeting.

Secretary's Report was presented. Lee Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes, Susan Chase seconded. Motion passed.

David informed us of what is happening with the variance application for the building addition. The next meeting for the variance is May 12.

Carolyn Hackett presented the board with information regarding bonding, the contractor's certificate of liability insurance, and the sub-contractor's agreement.

The Financial Team report was presented. Thanks to an increase in giving, we were able to send an installment on our commitment to the Synod.

We discussed choosing board liaisons to each of the church teams. We will choose at the June meeting after becoming familiar with the responsibilities of each team.

Marna Holley is putting together a Communication Team to handle long term communication plans for the church. There will also be a Technology Team assembled to handle short and long term technology issues. Two of the first issues to be addressed will be developing a logo with which we can be instantly identified, and updating the website to better achieve our mission.

Marna Holley has posted a video of the 10:30 Easter Service on YouTube. We have a channel dedicated to videos from and concerning Halfway Creek Lutheran, and they can be found by searching for Halfway Creek Lutheran Church in YouTube. You can subscribe to the channel and you will receive notification of any updates.

We need to schedule the Team Conversation and Celebration for this fall. This will allow all the teams and all church members to come together and share goals and plans. There has been a catered meal provided in the past and it usually is scheduled for a Saturday in October.

Pastor presented the Confirmands for 2014 to the Vision Board. The following were welcomed: Casandra Bandoli, Tyson Gates, Zach Gordon, Kindra Johnson, Lars Oines, Trevor Plomedahl, Rachael Temp, and Jordyn Stasiak.

Chad, Patti and Chance Brandeau were welcomed as new members. We welcome our Confirmands and new members in the love that God has shown us all.

There are two Baptisms coming up on June 1st and June 8th.

The Bishop and Pastor Libby will both be with us on June 8th to celebrate Pentecost.

On Memorial Day weekend, we move to one Sunday morning service at 9am. The first Sunday Evening service will be June 15th at 6pm.

Rich Pedretti will no longer be performing lawn mowing duties. Chad Brandeau has asked to take over those duties, and was the only person to contact Archie with interest. Lee Anderson made a motion to approve. Marna Holley seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor proposed that we use \$253.00 from Undesignated Memorials to contribute to World Hunger Relief in honor of the 253 women members of our congregation in honor of Mother's Day. Brian Mueller made a motion to approve. Shelly Vander Linden seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor is asking for Questions for the summer series of messages.

On May 18th, the pastors of Holmen Lutheran, Journey Lutheran, and Halfway Creek Lutheran with gather with 2 members from each church to work on ways we can further team together and serve the community. Susan Chase and Jen Strangstalien have agreed to attend.

The next Vision Board meeting will be June 12th at 6:30 pm.

Lee Anderson made a motion to adjourn. Syndey Craig seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.



