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Advent by Candlelight

The Advent By Candlelight-Galesville-2018 committee has chosen a date for this year's event.

Sunday, November 25, 7 pm

It is one week later than in the past. Soon you will be seeing announcements and then in late October you will receive an invitation. Just as a reminder --- this program is written by women, for women to help them put the upcoming Advent and Christmas season in a God-pleasing perspective. This is also meant to be a reach-out to your unchurched family, relatives, neighbors and co-workers. Please feel free to invite those whom you feel may benefit from hearing what God's Word has to say about Christ's birth and why He orchestrated it the way He did.

So, save the date --- Sunday, November 25, 7 pm; You'll be hearing more from us.

Galesville Ladies Group Minutes

- We were reminded about the LWMS Fall Rally that will be held in Caledonia, MN on Sat., Oct. 20th. Mite boxes are due to Judy by Oct. 7th.
- The Fellowship Treat schedule was distributed. We were reminded that if we are not able to provide treats on our scheduled day, we should trade with someone and let Julie know so the schedule can be updated.
- Two Bibles were ordered for the new confirmation students.
- The committee has begun working on Advent By Candlelight. The committee consists of Doris Fruechte, Tami Yehle, Carla Mehner, Judy Howell, LaVonne Wier and Deb Smieja. Details will be shared as they become available.
- Kay Evenson gave a report on Rotary Lights Live Nativity. Because the Advent season has 5 weekends before Christmas this year, the group of churches that we are grouped with has been assigned 2 weekends – Dec. 1 & 2 and Dec. 22 & 23. Lots of help will be needed this year – not only portraying as the cast but also helping to get people dressed in costumes. Sign up sheets will be available soon. We also learned that Light Up Galesville has been discontinued.

Arcadia's W.O.W. Group Minutes

- Pastor Baerbock led the devotion based on 1 Cor. 10:31 "Decisions, decisions".
- Sandy Witte reported that the treasury is in good standing.
- Church cleaning will take place on Sat., Sept. 8th. Everyone is encouraged to come and help.
- Service Master will clean the carpet, tile floor, clean light fixtures and replace the light bulbs.
- Our Church Anniversaries will be celebrated on Sun. Sept. 23rd. A new baptismal font will be dedicated at both campuses. There will be an open house at the Arcadia campus. Some suggestions for refreshments were: A. have a member's lunch at noon and then the open house for the community; B. no fellowship just Bible class and then eat; C. have meat & cheese tray, fruit tray, veggie tray and bars. It was decided to keep the food simple with food trays, bars and drinks.
- We will have the Fall Garage Sale on Sept. 28 (8-5) & 29 (8-12). We will sort donations on Wednesday and set up after the Food Pantry on Thursday. Joanne Wier and Deb Koch will run the sale on Friday and Sandy Witte will run it on Saturday. Help will be needed on Saturday after the sale to clean up.
- At our next meeting, we will discuss ABC. Deb Koch has started working on the decorations.
- Next meeting is Oct. 3rd at 4:30 PM.

Galesville Fellowship Treat Schedule

We will have fellowship treats each Sunday from 10:00 – 10:30 AM. Listed below is a schedule of ladies to bring treats each Sunday. If you are unable to serve treats on your designated day, please switch with someone else. Please provide a beverage for the children and coffee can be made with the church supplies. Thank you!

Oct. 7 – Darlene Johnson

Oct. 14 – Deb Barkeim

Oct. 21 – LaVonne Wier

Oct. 28 – Carol Sacia

Nov. 4 – Julie Haessig

Nov. 11 – Danielle Bakeberg

Nov. 18 – Edith Logging

Nov. 25 – Doris Fruechte

Arcadia Fellowship Treat Schedule

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October 7 – Angela Berg & Deb Koch

October 14 – Amy Thorn & Gaylene Mohror

October 21 – Janice Knudsen & JoAnne Gillette

October 28 – Deb Rotering & Anita Kiral

LWMS Fall Rally 2018

Saturday, October 20, 2018
St. John's Lutheran Church
650 N Kingston St
Caledonia, MN
507-725-3228

Guest Speaker: Pastor Benjamin Sadler and
team from Goodview Trinity

Topic: Mission Journeys trip to Quito, Ecuador
Registration & morning coffee served 8:00 – 9:00
Lunch will be served



Food for More Challenge



We have an opportunity to stretch our dollars in support of our food pantry from Sept 9th to Oct 20th, for every dollar donated to the Arcadia Community Food Pantry, Feed My People Food Bank will match it with a pound of food, up to 5000 pounds, significantly increasing the value of your donation to this program! Additionally, as a partner with Feed My People we are able to obtain at least ten times the amount of food as we could through retail sources for the same cost. Make checks out to Arcadia CommUNITY Food Pantry and in the memo line write "Match Challenge". For more information, contact Sandy Witte at 323-3811.

Matching Gift Opportunity

In connection with this opportunity to support the Arcadia CommUNITY Food Pantry, a family of our congregation has offered to match all monetary gifts given to this cause from Sept. 9 through Oct. 20 up to \$1,000. So the dollar you give automatically becomes two dollars! We thank this family for their generous offer. The food pantry being served at our church location in Arcadia has been effective in providing a way for Bethel to make connections with neighbors in our community. Please consider giving a special gift to this effort. Thank you.

Bethel Elders' Meeting Minutes August 15th, 2018 -- Galesville Campus

The meeting was called to order by Fred Lintelmann at 6:03 PM.

Present: Fred Lintelmann, Keith Witte, Martin Knudsen, Tim Bakeberg, Pastor Baerbock, and Pastor Cox

The opening devotion was presented by Pastor Baerbock. The topic was entitled "Decisions, Decisions" and featured a half dozen examples from the Bible to provide guidance for various situations that may arise -- positive reinforcement to enable "right decisions" and comfort for those times when we've made "wrong ones."

Copies of the Secretary's Report from the June 20th, 2018 meeting had been previously distributed via email to Elders and also published in the June, 2018 Sonlight. Motion made & seconded to accept the minutes as presented -- passed.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Cox: -- Elder "Care Lists" updated. Pastor Cox will send out current lists to each of us.
-- Other items are on the agenda.

Pastor Baerbock: -- He's conducted some worship services at the nursing home at Blair.
-- Gave an update on Vacation Bible School (August 6 – 8): light attendance the first day but up to 29 participants by day 3.

Old Business:

- **"Brothers and Sisters in Christ"** (Obtaining baptismal dates and updating/verifying member contact information): on going
- **Elder position vacancies:** Noted, but no specific recommendation for vacant position at Arcadia.
- **Worship times at each location:** With deliberation based upon congregational responses to the worship questionnaire; Congregational Annual Meetings; member input; and in an effort to promote increased member participation in worship/fellowship/education, the motion tabled at our April 16th Elder Meeting was brought back into consideration:
The motion was made/seconded to change the Sunday schedule at each location to:
9 AM Worship; 10 AM Fellowship; and 10:30 AM Education Hour.
The change will be effective starting Sunday, Sept. 9th
The motion passed (on a split vote).

New Business:

- **Plans for celebrating church building anniversaries -- both sites:**
Scheduled for Sept. 23rd. Plans for Arcadia will be finalized at the Sept. WOW meeting. The service on the 23rd will include "retirement of existing baptismal font" and "dedication of new baptismal font" at each campus.
- Concerns **about low worship attendance:** Hopefully, one of the benefits of the change in worship times will be an increase in both member attendance and regularity.
- Usher **Training:** Will follow-up on task guidelines and coordinator.

Our next meeting will be at 6 PM on Monday, October 15th, 2018 (Arcadia campus).

The meeting adjourned at 8 PM with prayer.



BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

- Oct. 2 – Heather Yahnke
- Oct. 2 – Angela Berg
- Oct. 8 – William Yahnke
- Oct. 8 – Cassie Berg
- Oct. 10 – Myah Casey
- Oct. 11 – Rachel Knudsen
- Oct. 12 – Ruth Golden
- Oct. 12 – Gary Bender
- Oct. 13 – LouAnn Farley
- Oct. 14 – Michael Steinlicht
- Oct. 16 – Corrine Ali
- Oct. 17 – Rick Krause
- Oct. 19 – Doris Fruechte
- Oct. 19 – Samantha Berg
- Oct. 20 – Duane Fruechte
- Oct. 20 – Kristin Hills
- Oct. 20 – Jordan Cox
- Oct. 23 – Sarah Thorn
- Oct. 23 – Shane Harms
- Oct. 24 – Barbara Carter
- Oct. 28 – Tysen Casey
- Oct. 30 – Sierra Adank

ANNIVERSARIES IN OCTOBER

- Oct. 10 – AJ & Audra Johnson
- Oct. 12 – Martin & Janice Knudsen
- Oct. 12 – William & Julie Yahnke
- Oct. 17 – Keith & Sandy Witte
- Oct. 17 – Todd & Wendy Eckart
- Oct. 18 – Kevin & Bethany Baumbach
- Oct. 20 – John & Andrea Sveen

Galesville Church Cleaning Schedule for October

- October 6 – Doug & Sue Stallman and Ted & Ruth Halderson
- October 13 – Leland & LaVonne Wier
- October 20 – Russ & Darlene Johnson and Mark Pfaff
- October 27 – Fred Lintelmann, Mollie Branson, Karianne Casey

Bethel Services on TCCTV

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church services can be seen on cable access TCCTV channel 18. Tune in on the following dates to watch.

Monday	October 22	2:30pm
Thursday	October 25	8:00am
Saturday	October 27	6:00pm
Sunday	October 28	9:00am

Help us spread The Word. Tell your neighbors and friends.

Ushers, Greeters & Acolytes for the Month of September

<u>Arcadia</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
Oct. 7	Chuck Johnson Paul Koch	Brian Steinlicht Gina Steinlicht	Samantha Berg
Oct. 14	Keith Witte Howard Munson	Greg Golden Ruth Golden	Hank Munson
Oct. 21	Dan Thorn Ken Thorn	Kathy Fonstad	George Munson
Oct. 28	Bruce Arnoldy Jeremy Conradt	Paul Koch Deb Koch	Breah Golden

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Oct. 7	Rollin Barkein Duane Fruechte	Deb Barkein Doris Fruechte	Lidia Bakeberg
Oct. 14	Duane Fruechte Mike Gilbert	Doris Fruechte Mary Gilbert	Lidia Bakeberg
Oct. 21	Fred Mann Bobby Sosalla	Kathryn Mann Danielle Arndt	Lidia Bakeberg
Oct. 28	Duane Fruechte Rollin Barkein	Doris Fruechte Deb Barkein	Lidia Bakeberg

October 2018

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		G – Midweek Bible Class 1:15PM G – Choir 6:30 PM	A – Confirmation 3:15PM A – WOW mtg 4:30 PM G – Confirmation 6PM	G – Midweek Worship with Communion 6 PM		
7 Worship with Communion SS/BC	8	9 G – Midweek Bible Class 1:15PM G – Choir 6:30PM	10 A – Confirmation 3:15PM G – Confirmation 6PM	11 G – Midweek Worship 6 PM	12	13
14 Worship SS/BC G – Ladies Meeting 10:05 AM	15 A – Elders’ Mtg. 6:00 PM	16 G – Midweek Bible Class 1:15 PM G – Choir 6:30PM	17 A – Confirmation 3:15PM G – Confirmation 6PM	18 G – Midweek Worship with Communion 6 PM	19	20 LWMS Fall Rally
21 Worship with Communion SS/BC	22	23 G – Midweek Bible Class 1:15 PM G – Choir 6:30PM	24 A – Confirmation 3:15PM G – Confirmation 6PM	25 A – Food Pantry G – Midweek Worship 6:00 PM	26	27
28 Worship SS/BC	29	30 G – Midweek Bible Class 1:15 PM G – Choir 6:30PM	31 Reformation Day A – Confirmation 3:15PM G – Confirmation 6PM	A = Arcadia G = Galesville	Sunday School/ Bible Class 10:30 AM	Sunday Worship 9:00 AM

