



Kviteseid Voice

**Kviteseid Lutheran
Church**

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Greetings

As we move through the warmth of August, we are reminded that every season is a gift from God. The gardens are producing, crops are maturing in the fields, and families are making the most of these last weeks of summer. It is a beautiful time to pause and give thanks for God's abundant blessings and faithful provision.

August also serves as a bridge between the relaxed pace of summer and the busy days of fall. Soon our students and teachers will be preparing to return to school, Sunday School classes will begin again, and many of our church ministries will be gearing up for another season of learning, fellowship, and service. We pray for God's guidance and protection over all who begin new routines in

the weeks ahead.

As a congregation, we are grateful for everyone who shares their time and talents to strengthen our church family. Whether you serve as a worship volunteer, teach Sunday School, help with quilting, prepare meals, care for the church grounds, or quietly lend a helping hand behind the scenes, your ministry is a blessing to our congregation and to our community. Every act of service reflects Christ's love.

As we continue this season together, let us remember the words of the Apostle Paul: *"Let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up."* (Galatians 6:9)

May God bless you with moments of rest, opportunities to serve, and hearts filled with gratitude. We look forward to worshiping with you and sharing in the many blessings God has in store for our church family this fall.



STEWARDSHIP

Contributions, Gifts, Memorials & Worship



FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Fund
2026 Financial Responsibilities
\$269,336

Checking Register
for the General Fund

6/1/26 balance:	\$22,067
June income:	\$15,529
June expenses:	\$17,809
6/30/25 balance:	\$19,787

Worship Offerings & Attendance



July 5	\$358	48
<i>Lakeside Worship</i>		
July 12	\$790	45
July 19	\$465	24
July 26	\$1515	33

Online Giving ...



Visit our website at
milanslutheranchurch.com



Memorials and Gifts

None to Report



PRAYERS

We offer up prayers for ...

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LOCAL NEWS



Farewell & Welcome

Coffee & Muffin Farewell and Welcome

Please join us before church service on August 2nd at 8:15 for coffee and muffins as we express our heartfelt thanks to Pastor Bob for faithfully serving and leading us over the past year.

At the same time, we'll extend a warm welcome to our incoming

interim, Pastor Linda, as she begins her ministry with us.

Spread the news, so we can have a great turnout.



2026 Kviteiseid Staff & Officers



Office Staff

Pastor Bob Dahl
rldahl1@charter.net

Worship Leader
Jon Hanson

Parish Assistant: Cheryl Erp
office@milanslutheranchurch.com

Building Staff

Custodian: David Thompson
Organist: Judi Bohm

Volunteer Leadership

Sunday School Choir Dir:
Jessica Trager

Sunday School Supt.:
Talia Schuerman

Contributions Secretaries:
Heidi Hanson
Brian Olson

Church Officers

President: Connie Fragodt
V. Pres: Char Strand
Secretary: Jessica Trager
Treasurer: Josh Vetter

Board of Deacons

Teresa Olson, Heidi Spray,
Jon Hanson, Jodi Tongen,
Talia Schuerman

Board of Trustees

Cory Heinrich, Ray Trager,
Ryan Erp, Brandon
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Rachel Strand, Tiffany Moen,
Michelle Ascheman, Shea
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President: Nancy Schneck
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WORSHIP NEWS

August Schedules



Deacon Communion Setup

2 - Jodi Tongen
Heidi Spray

Lectors

2 - Judy Thompson
9 - Charlie Hanson
16 - Char Strand
23 - Teresa Olson
30 - Sherry Norby

Media Operators

2 - Parker Spray
9 - Daisy Sachariason
16 - Eva Trager
23 - Thatcher Erp
30 - Iver Heinrich

Video Recorders

2 - Heidi Spray
9 - Heidi Spray
16 - Jon Hanson
26 - Theresa Erickson
30 - Emily Heinrich

*Schedules are also
available online at
milanslutheranchurch.com*

Reminder: It is your
responsibility to find a
replacement if you are
unable to be there the day
you are scheduled.

TWC Bible Study

"Together with Christ"
Bible study will meet in the church
fellowship hall at 1:30 p.m. on
Wednesday, August 12th.



Church Board Meetings

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST
19**

Deacons - 6 p.m.
Trustees - 7 p.m.



Group 2

Captain - Char Johnson
752-4577
Connie Fragodt
Kim Heimdahl
Teresa Olson
Karla Schwendemann
Sue Streed
Kim Thompson

Coffee Fellowship

Join us for coffee and fellowship
after worship Sunday mornings in
the narthex at 10:30 a.m. Please
sign up to serve treats to enjoy
along with the coffee. The sign-up
sheet is on the table in
the narthex. The ushers
will make the coffee.



Looking Ahead



We will have a work day on
Wednesday, August 26 at 9:30 in
the fellowship hall. Anyone who
is willing to help is welcome!
We will be ripping strips of fab-
ric to be used for bandages, as
well as basting scraps or quilt
batting together for future quilts.
Please bring your own lunch.
Thank you!



LAKESIDE WORSHIP



**SEPTEMBER 6
9:30 A.M.**

LOCAL NEWS

Helping Hands

Helping Hands

Enjoy summer! Sadly for most, it is winding down! If you are among those who love fall and winter, your wish is coming!!

We had a great four days of quilting! We finished 44 beautiful quilts! Amazing! We had four days of fun, fellowship, talking smart and sharing. It was so fun! Thank you to everyone who came to quilt, made tops at home, found or made backs, or contributed money for the quilting project! We appreciate each and every one of you! Think about joining the fun next February or March. We will show you how to do it!

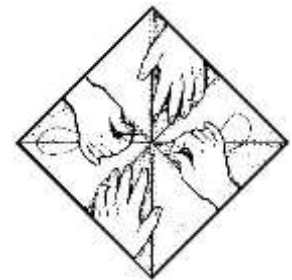
The current Bible study is wrapping up in August. We had a most interesting study of the "Bad Girls of the Bible!" We haven't decided on the next topic yet, but we will when we meet August 12. Anyone is invited to join the group and help decide our next venture! See you in the Narthex!

Rally Sunday/God's Work, Our Hands is Sunday, September 13. Group 3 is in charge of providing and serving lunch. There will be lots of activities to help with for all ages. Be sure to plan on attending services and activities.

Take care and have a wonderful rest of the summer!

Layettes

We have a goal of making 50 layettes. We need soap ivory bar soap I have 10 so I could use 40 more. Also I could use a few more blankets. Thank You for your help
Cathy Olson



FUNERAL

SERVICE
GROUPS

Serving the next funeral will be Group 1.

Service Group 1 chairpersons are:

Gary & Kim Heimdahl
Bon & Kim Molden
Bob & Jen Tostenson

752-4529
734-4660
226-8520



LOCAL NEWS

Youth

COME DIVE INTO AN EXCITING EVENING OF
FAITH AND FUN!

COURAGE IN THE DEEP
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Children will discover that God is always with us and gives us **COURAGE to TRUST HIM** through every adventure.

JOIN US FOR

- BIBLE STORIES
- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- A LIGHT MEAL
- FISHING
- AND MORE!

DATE: AUGUST 5TH

TIME: 5:00–8:00 PM

LOCATION: CRAIG & CHAR STRAND'S POND (MILAN)

If one is needed, please contact **Tiffany Moen**

Please RSVP to any Board of Ed member by **WEDNESDAY, JULY 31ST**

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN FISHING POLE!

Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Stay to enjoy the fun and lend a helping hand (especially with fishing) to make this faith filled event a success!



The Board of Education is seeking a teacher for the 7th–12th grade Sunday School class for the 2026–2027 school year. If you are interested in sharing your faith with our youth, please contact a member of the Board of Education.

Bible Quiz

Jesus said that his followers are the "light of the world" (Matthew 5:14). It wouldn't do much good to hide a light under a bushel, he said. It should be put on a lamp-stand to give light in the house. Then Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see ..."

Choose the ending of Jesus' sentence:

- A. their way and not stumble.
- B. how good and faithful you are as my servants.
- C. your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.
- D. in their darkness.

Answer: C (Matthew 5:16, NIV)

LOCAL NEWS

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Make a postcard PUZZLE

Summer is full of little moments that remind us that God is guiding each step. Like a puzzle, he brings every piece together in his time.



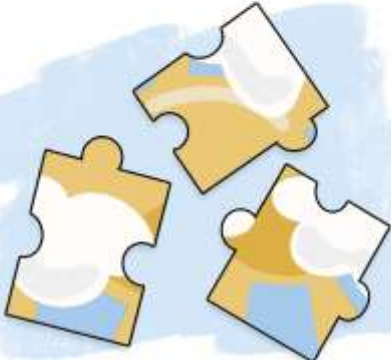
What you need:

- A postcard or printed picture
- Scissors
- Pencil (optional, for guiding your cuts)
- Envelope or small bag (for storing pieces)



What you do:

1. Flip your postcard over and lightly draw puzzle shapes or cut freely.
2. Cut the postcard into a mix of big and small pieces.
3. Mix up the pieces and try to put the picture back together.
4. Store the pieces in an envelope so you can use it again later.



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LOCAL NEWS

Southwestern Minnesota Synod

June Synod Staff Recap

"What do synod staff people do? Where do you go?" That's a question we hear every so often, we're not only going to tell you - we're going to show you, in a bit of "Where's Waldo?" style. This synod map shows you the locations of our 223 congregations and the places where we attended gatherings in the previous month. These locations will vary and go in waves, according to congregational needs and the rhythm of meetings. We love to be with you because we are the body of Christ and are "Church Together."

Bishop Dee Pederson, Synod Bishop

OUTINGS:

Willmar / Ivanhoe / New London / New Ulm / Waverly / Clear Lake / Redwood Falls / St. Cloud / Minnesota / St. Peter / Madison / Olivia / Lake Benton / Starbuck / Worthington / Rapidan / Grand Rapids / Flandreau, SD / St. Paul Area Synod Assembly / Luther College

PROJECTS / MEETINGS:

• Synod-Authorized Ministries • South African partnership • Leadership Transitions • Synod Assembly • Neighboring Synod Assemblies • Congregational Partnerships • Building Renovation

Pr. Heather Culuris

Synod Minister for Engaging Leaders

OUTINGS:

Synod Assembly, St. Peter
LYO Board Training Retreat, Alexandria
Council Meeting, Benson
Swedlanda, Rural Hector
Rejoice, Clearwater

PROJECTS / MEETINGS:

- Candidacy work
- Call work with congregations
- WELCA Liaison

Pr. Troy Pflibsen

Director for Evangelical Mission

OUTINGS:

Tour of Community Outreach Center, Salem, St. Cloud
Synod Assembly, St. Peter
US Dakota War Forum, Trinity, Grove City
Waters Edge Ministries Board Meeting, Shores of St. Andrew
SW MN Deans, Redwood Falls

PROJECTS / MEETINGS:

- Faith in Us: A National Clergy Initiative
- Lutheran Advocacy Minnesota Policy
- Congregational Vitality Strategy
- Rewriting the Rural Narrative
- SW MN Quarterly Coaches Gathering
- Indigenous Relationships Team
- SW MN Synod Council
- Church Anew-Building a

Pr. Seyward Ask

Synod Minister for Equipping Congregation Leaders, Ministers, Youth, & Families

OUTINGS:

Synod Assembly, St. Peter
LYO Board Training Retreat, Alexandria
Preached/led worship, Garfield, Madison
Preached/led worship, Rejoice, Clearwater
Preached/led worship, Tripolis, Kandiyohi
Call process meeting, Madison
Call process meeting, Clearwater
Call process meeting, Rural Starbuck
Weekly staff meetings, Redwood Falls

PROJECTS / MEETINGS:

- Interim Pastors Monthly Zoom
- Fresh Expressions of the Rural Church
- Quality of Call, Women in Ministry
- Synod Assembly Planning
- Call Process
- Sr. High Youth Gathering Planning / LYOHealthy Staff Community



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KVITSEID LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Schedule

✝ Worship at 9:00 a.m. ✝

✝ Online Worship at 9:00 a.m. ✝

✝ Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m. ✝

Church Office Phone: 320-734-4455 ✝ www.milanslutheranchurch.com

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