



# Slice of Bread



Monthly Newsletter of Bread of Life Lutheran Church  
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## Lent At Bread of Life

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, Feb 17

**Each Wednesday** during Lent

- There will be a soup supper beginning at 5:30 pm. Bring the family and supper with your BOL family

- Wednesday Lenten worship will be at 7:00 each week

**A date for your calendar** – Wednesday, **March 17, 7:00 PM** will be a special evening. At that service the **Burlington Community Choir** will perform their Easter Cantata "East to West". Put the date on your calendar, invite your friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome.

## The Annual Buffalo Dinner

February 28 – 11:30 am – 2:00 pm

### The Menu

Roast Buffalo, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, vegetable, cherry/apple crisp dessert

### Cost

Adults \$10.00  
Ages 6-12 \$4.50  
Ages 5 and under free  
Family Maximum \$30.00

(There will be no education hour on that day  
Families – watch for opportunities to work together.  
Sign up sheets are in the narthex.)

## Memorials

In memory of **Carl Petersen** from  
Hilda Farstad, Ray & Judy Mock,  
MaryLou Krause, Loren & Joylea  
Knutson, Phyllis Tonneson, Ole &  
Laurie Honadel, Kevin & Tracey  
Lawson, George & Jeanice Officer,  
Bob & Renee Gilbertson, Bob & Bev  
Donovan, Rod & Joyce Shuman, John  
Paiva Jr., Edwin & Irene Carroll Jr,  
Floyd Roll, Frances Sagsveen, Ted &  
Dolly Pfau, John Sinn, Peggy Undlin,  
Gladys & Gerald Vendsel, Marlene  
Tossett, D Abernathy, Delores Triplett,  
Bill & Mary Bliven, Jerry & Sandy  
Romine, E & B Rental, Linda Marsh,  
Chuck & Shannon Kranz, John &  
Lynnette Haaland, Hal & Julie  
Quammen, Robert & Carla Crockett,  
Robert & Linda Whetter, Deb  
Middaugh, Jean Vendsel, Diane Bach,  
George Kilmer, Bob Marquardt, Nina  
Lee, Derald & Bev Larson, Family &  
Friends, Alan & LuAnn Henning, Ron &  
Ardis Neshem, Jana Nelson, Nina Lee

In memory of **Lynn Hysjulien** from  
Hilda Farstad, Ray & Judy Mock, Joylea  
Knutson, Kevin & Tracey Lawson,

In memory of **Dale Hawbaker** from  
Hilda Farstad, George & Jeanice  
Officer, Joylea Knutson, Kevin & Tracey  
Lawson

In memory of **Margaret Tiegen** from  
Lana Ferris



February

## From the Pastor

February 2010

Dear Friends:

Here are the topics for Lent:

Feb 17 - Ash Wednesday -	Repentance
Feb 24	Life
Mar 03	Marriage
Mar 10	Respect
Mar 17	Love Your Neighbor
Mar 24	Contentment

Also, consider inviting a friend to come to worship, Saturday and Sunday (Feb 20-21). We will be having a special speaker from a mission organization called, "Food For The Poor". This is an especially good time to be thinking about the poor and suffering in our world. Not only Haiti, but many world-wide regions need our attention in prayer and in action.

### More Blessed to Give?

Just the other day, I was at the hospital because baby Allen had another difficult episode. That poor little guy has had more needles stuck in him his first six months than most of us in a life time. He needed to be flown to Fargo. Allen reminds me that there are critical needs right here in Minot as well. I hope you have had a chance to extend your love, prayers and finance toward Curt and Jennifer Stavum.

There are others also. People in Nursing Homes that need prayer, hugs, and God's Word. Perhaps you have a neighbor with a broken down vehicle, or a need for better windows, or just a prayer, a hug, and God's Word. A friend who is behind on their mortgage.

Many of you are so good about responding to the needs around you. Perhaps no one even knows. God does. He sees. This literally hit home for me the first storm we had. Snow everywhere. Driveway full. I was in the middle of calling for snow removal, when my neighbor shows up with his scoop. What a blessing he was to us that day. I thought, "he doing this because of the Lord". You may ask, "Lord, which need, there are so many needs?". Yes, this is true, the ratio of needy to those able to give has shifted a lot. As we see government taking on more through taxation, and the church less through over-commitment to other things, the ratio is sure to get worse.

But our hope is not in the world. It is in Christ. He said, “whatever you have done to the least of these, you have done to me”, Matt 25. In other words, just do what He puts before you. Last time I checked, no one here has been called to save the whole world. But, you can know that each time you reach out a hand, God himself has been touched by the church. Why? Because you are the church (1 Peter 2:9; Eph 4). The church is not a building, it is not the pastor, it is not even a whole staff or synod, the church is you.

What a blessing you can be to someone this season.

Remember, we have a God who is the great bread and fish multiplier (John 6). We have a God who turned water into wine (John 2).

We have a God who is still in the satan-defeating business and cup over-flowing business. (John 10:10).

With a God like that on our side, who can stop us. Whenever you reach out in the name of Jesus, you are making a difference in the whole world.

We will not know until heaven, the impact of that smile you gave that you did not want to give; that prayer, that help, that check, that shovel full of snow.

Yes, we have an evil world spiraling downward. But it would be so much worse if we didn't have you as the church. As little Christs in our world.

Reach out to someone this week. Believe God when He said it is more blessed to give than to receive, Acts 20:35. It is. It is true. Try it.

God bless you, pastor jeff





## **BIRTHDAYS FEBRUARY**

- 1 Madison Belgarde
- 2 Doug Bonsness, Jennifer Sick
- 3 Dawndi Kesler, Dianne Maupin,  
Rusten Roteliuk, Payton Sick,  
Kaydee Klein
- 5 George Officer, Lynsey Hust
- 6 Bob Donovan, Dean Thompson  
Nathan Weatherspoon, Elaine Kjosa,  
Hunter Sherven
- 7 Bill Klimpel, Barb (Axelson) Christenson
- 8 Kamryn Hoffer
- 11 Carlene Huber
- 12 Breanna Lien, Terri Huber
- 13 Jennifer Lien, Trenton Flaten
- 14 Ernie Conger, Elaine Foltyn,  
Lois Mackey, David Wilson
- 15 Cole Grosche, Andee Hanson  
Mandi Brackel
- 17 Mark Maercklein, Corey Mock
- 18 Cody Bonsness
- 19 Debbie Foltyn, Matthew Mackey  
Kaden Henderson
- 20 Gabrielle Kissner
- 21 Joren Boyce, Bill Finley
- 22 Carla Bartuska, Abbagayle Venable
- 23 Todd Flaten
- 24 Doug Lahti
- 25 Ronda Kelly
- 26 Beverly Larson, Ardell Skalicky
- 27 Alexander Davy, Debbie Huber  
Nicole Brincks,
- 28 Grace Redding, Ninette Anderson

## **FEBRUARY**

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 11 Lynn & Carol Martin
- 14 Mark & Marcell Johnson
- 27 Bill & Shirley Finley



## **Bread of Life Men**

Minot Lutheran Men will be meeting on February 5, noon, Trinity-St Joseph's. Lunch of soup and sandwich for \$4 is available in the meeting room. The cafeteria is, also, available. The program for this meeting will be Gary Ochsner, Air Force Retired, Master Sergeant. During his active duty he was Chapel Manager. He will speak about his active duty and Christian experience.



*Women's Fellowship*

## **Bread of Life Women**

- You are invited to join **Merry Circle** on **Wednesday, February 3, 12:30** in the fellowship hall.

## **You Are Invited**

President André Golike of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Central African Republic will be visiting the Western North Dakota Synod February 6-9, 2010. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the BOL congregation to learn more about our companion synod and their ministries. All are invited to join in welcoming President Golike to our synod, state, and country! **Tuesday, February 9: Worship and Fellowship with President Golike, First Lutheran Church, Minot.** A special worship service will be held at **2 PM CST** with a coffee hour to follow.

*Bible Study* with Pastor Jeff  
Sundays 10 AM. Come and be a part.

## Ministry Families

The “**Ministry Families**” rotation continues and we **thank everyone** who has participated and helped with the weekly needs of the congregation. Whatever your involvement level, your cooperation is appreciated.

Just a reminder - **EACH FAMILY UNIT** is a part of a family group. **FOR ONE MONTH**, you will work as a team to accomplish needed ministries.

By spreading the load and limiting the focus to one month, we reduce the need for sign up sheets and burnout, and at the same time, greatly strengthen the internal need for more success in the various ministries. When it is your turn, please respond faithfully, as we all share the load and the joy of God’s growing church. “**Growing To Serve**”

**If you are not physically able to participate**, you are invited to come for fellowship activities and support your group with your prayers.

### Ministry Family 9 serving February:

Stacy & Patti Abrahamson  
Bill & Shirley Finley  
Andrew & Emily Hanson  
John Haugen  
John & Kim Haugen  
Rick & Terri Huber  
Ben & Maxine Juelich  
Jeni Miller  
Bob & Cindi Mintie  
Barb Power  
Brandan & Katie Ressler  
Angela Roehm  
Art & Donna Winden

### Ministry Family 10 serving March:

Jim & Marvel Bakken  
Ron & JoAnn Kjelshus  
Dennis & Laurie Lahti  
Kevin & Tracey Lawson  
Dusty & Kayla Lawson  
Morris & Mae Ludwig  
Robert & Stacey Magandy  
Steve & Kim McCarty  
Neil & Marlene Melom  
Ray & Judy Mock  
Ann Mosser  
Rollie & Carol Port  
Wayde & Jennifer Sick  
Kathy Wickman  
Ryan Wilson

*“For God is at work within you... helping you do what he wants.”* Philippians 1:13

## Annual Meeting Results

At the annual meeting the congregation elected:  
- three-year terms on church council **Jim Bakken, Donna Herslip, Ryan Davy**; - Financial Secretary **Bill Venable**; - Nominating committee **Bill Klimpel, Larry Herslip**; - Conference Assembly Delegate **Lynn Martin**; - Synod Assembly Delegates **Council President and Lynn Martin**; - Metigoshe Ministry Representative **Doug Berg**.

A vote for a Constitution Bylaw change to move the annual meeting date to the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of January passed.

2010 council officers will be President Scot Redding, Vice President Susan Thompson, Secretary Donna Herslip.

Thank you to outgoing council members, **Bill Venable, Joel Kelly, Darrell Roos**; financial secretary **Julie Bonner**; Metigoshe Ministry representative **Carmen Fricke**

Special thanks to all who answer the call to serve at BOL. With your help the congregation is Growing to Serve. Give thanks to God for the many opportunities.

## We Care

Remember to turn in your Marketplace grocery receipts. Be sure and tell the cashier you want the “WE CARE” stamp. BOL will be reimbursed 1% of all receipts



**The Ministry Family sign up supper for February** will be on Wednesday, February 17. This is also Ash Wednesday and will be the first of the Lenten soup suppers. **February Group 9** will help provide supper by bringing soup, breads, or desserts. **March Group 10** is to come and be the guests of the month. Supper will begin at 5:30 with the sign up meeting about 6:30. Come when you are able. Lenten worship will begin at 7:00 pm.



## ***Food for the Poor Special Guest***

Representing Food For the Poor, Pastor Arnold Hilpert **will be a special guest at services on February 20/21.** Food For The Poor ministers to spiritually renew impoverished people throughout **Latin America and the Caribbean.** Established in 1982, their goals are to improve the health, economic, social and spiritual conditions of the men, women and children we serve. Food For The Poor raises funds and provides direct relief assistance to the poor, usually by purchasing specifically requested materials and distributing them through the churches and charity organizations already operating in areas of need.

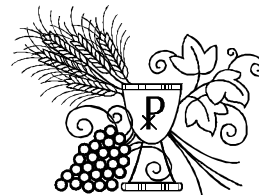
Pastor Arnold Hilpert was born in Detroit, MI, in 1936 where he was raised and schooled. While attending Wayne State University he turned to the study of Christianity and the Holy Bible. This interest led him to Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, Illinois. Graduation and Ordination as a Lutheran Pastor began a thirty-year vocation of ministry with churches in Illinois and Florida. A highlight of his ministry was eleven years of inner-city ministry in Jacksonville, FL, with a Lutheran sponsored program that combined 182 rental subsidy apartments for lower income families and a community oriented pastoral ministry. This experience expanded his interest in multi-cultural ministry and Gospel empowerment for the poor.

In 1999, Pastor Hilpert was invited on a pilgrimage to Haiti sponsored by **Food for the Poor.** This experience led him to begin work as a Lutheran speaker for the poor. He made his second pilgrimage to Haiti in 2000 followed by pilgrimages to Nicaragua (2002), Jamaica (2003), Guatemala (2005) and El Salvador (2007). Pastor Hilpert is a retired pastor in the ELCA Florida-Bahamas Synod.

Read more about Food for the Poor at [www.foodforthepoor.org](http://www.foodforthepoor.org)

## ***MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY***

Learn to **use the screen/computer** to assist with worship services. If you attend Saturday or 8:45 service please consider this also. There are times when this feature would be a great addition to those services also. Thanks to Cody Roteliuk who has volunteered to teach you what you need to know . Please call the church office 838-3360 and let us know if you are interested.



## **First Communion**

First Communion class for fifth graders will be Saturday, February 27 at 3:30 pm. Then the youth and families will have communion with the congregation at the 5 pm service. Please invite friends and relatives to come to the service.



## ***Haiti Relief***

What can you do to help with disaster relief in Haiti? Continue to pray for the victims and the relief workers. If you have not made a financial donation, consider giving one. Continue to listen; eventually there will be a call for volunteers to go to Haiti for a rebuilding effort.

**Special contributions can be given through BOL** by using one of the special offerings envelopes **OR** use your personal offering envelope and specify Haiti special offering. When you donate in this way know that 100% of the money goes directly to relief efforts for victims of this tragedy. No funds are taken for administration.

## Lutheran Campus Ministry

Dear Friends ---

It is good to see all the students back on campus! With the start of a new semester it brings new opportunities and new adventures! As students dive into the second semester and as we dive into a New Year we hear the words of promise from God that Isaiah spoke in chapter 43:1 – “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine!” God has called you by name. God promises to walk and does walk with all of us in the New Year and New Semester. God walks with all of us in all the joys and challenges ahead. It is that promise that surrounds us this New Semester and New Year.

May God bless you! In Christ’s amazing love ---

### Contact Information for Pastor Kari Williamson and Lutheran Campus Ministry:

Office: 839-3949

Cell: 833-2221

E-mail: [campusministry@srt.com](mailto:campusministry@srt.com)

## Lutheran Campus Ministry Weekly Opportunities:



**Soup Lunch** ---- Tuesdays from 11:30 – 1:00 (starting February 2).

Where: Augustana Lutheran (across from Lura Manor). Every week there will be different soup! There will also be the opportunity to use the **wireless service, play ping pong, and challenge someone to a game of Wii bowling or study.**

**LCM Weekly Gathering** – Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Multicultural room in the Student Union. Come for great discussion about faith and how it relates to your life today.

**Thursdays at 11:30 – 1:00** - Pastor Kari will be on campus for Lunch! Look for her in Buckshots!

## How can Bread of Life members partner with Lutheran Campus Ministry?

**\*\* Do you like to make soup?** How about making your favorite soup for the Soup Lunches on Tuesday sponsored by Lutheran Campus Ministry?

Lutheran Campus Ministry board invites members of our local congregations to provide soup on Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the Minot State University Students. Each board member from the area churches has signed up for a Tuesday and would like a member from their church to donate a large soup kettle or small roaster of soup to be served to 25 or more students! You may also donate crackers, or, some time to mingle with the young adults from MSU!! Contact your Congregation’s LCM Board Member Tammy Doerr (Christ Lutheran Church), Todd Asendordf (Zion Lutheran), Bonnie Ripplinger (Augustana Lutheran) Paul Brekke (Augustana Lutheran), **Tracey Lawson (Bread of Life)** and Dennis Markwardt (Bethany Lutheran) and Kari Williamson, campus pastor, at [839-3949](tel:839-3949) if you would like to share in this ministry! Thanks in advance for your help.

### **\*\*DO YOU HAVE A MINOT STATE STUDENT?**

Encourage them to be a part of the LCM opportunities. They can bring their friends with. Even if they are not Lutheran. Campus Ministry is for all.

### **\*\*Support the Taco John’s Lutheran Campus Ministry Fundraiser:**

**When:** Thursday, February 18,

**Where:** Taco John’s South

**Time:** 5:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, February 18** and come to the South Broadway **Taco John’s between 5:00 - 7:00 pm.** Enjoy a great West-Mex meal and Lutheran Campus Ministry will receive 50% of all purchases made when you mention our organization at the time you place your order. **A portion of the proceeds raised will help support the mission trip to Washington DC scheduled during Spring Break in March.** Thanks in advance for your support of Lutheran Campus Ministry!

## Circle of Giving



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

... Winston Churchill

"Bear one another's burdens..."

Galatians 6:2

**Who:** A group of women interested in coming together for worthy causes

**What:** Circle of Giving (CoG)



**When:** Tuesday, February 9, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Bread of Life Lutheran  
1415 - 17<sup>th</sup> Ave SW,  
Minot, ND

**Why:** To pool our money in giving to those in need

**Contact:** Susan Anderson  
@ 837-1984 or Mary Novak  
@ 838-5589 for more information or to let us know that you are interested.

### What is a giving circle?

Giving circles have been around for over 20 years. It is a way for individuals to pool their money to aid worthy causes. They can be small and informal or highly organized. It is a way for us to connect with one

another and with our community (locally and, in turn, worldwide). It is a way to make our giving more focused.

### Minot Women's Circle of Giving

We would like to maintain an informal circle with short, monthly meetings. We welcome your participation even if you can't make all of the meetings. Whether you are able to attend the meetings or not, we ask for a monthly commitment of \$10.00 from each member. All of the monies will go to that organization each month for four months. We will choose three focus areas each year. At our meeting in February, we will discuss the focus for our gifts for the rest of this year. Hope to see you at our meeting in February!

### HOSPITALIZED?

If a member of your household is hospitalized (or you have any pastoral need) let the office know (838-3360). Office hours are 9 – 1, Monday – Friday. There is also voice mail so you can leave a message at any time. Or you can call Pastor Jeff on his cell phone 833-5601. When a person enters the hospital they are asked if they want to have their name on the church list and published in the local paper. If a patient is not on the list, the pastor cannot visit or include in church prayers without the patient or a family member calling. Thank you for your cooperation.

### *The Fast That Feeds the Soul*

Fast from criticism, and feast on praise.  
Fast from self-pity, and feast on joy.  
Fast from ill-temper, and feast on peace.  
Fast from resentment, and feast on contentment.

Fast from jealousy, and feast on love.  
Fast from pride, and feast on humility.  
Fast from selfishness, and feast on service.

