



# *Slice of Bread*



Monthly Newsletter of Bread of Life Lutheran Church  
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*July, August 2011*

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*Curt Hanson, Pastor*

## *Summer Worship Schedule*

Saturday – worship at 5:00 pm

Sunday – worship at 9:30 am

## *For Your Information*

Minot ELCA congregations Augustana, Christ and First are all evacuated and have been matched in a parish relationship with one of the other congregations out of the flood area. BOL and Augustana church will worship together and share facilities for the duration of the flood and recovery. Pastor Michon Weingartner, Augustana pastor, will have a temporary office at BOL until they can return to their home church. May God bless her ministry and guide the Augustana congregation as they move forward in the flood recovery process. May God also guide the BOL congregation as they open their doors and respond to the needs of the community.

**July 10 , after worship** you are invited to a "Picnic In the Park" potluck dinner hosted by the Augustana congregation. Bring your favorite food to share. Weather permitting, this will be followed by outdoor activities and fellowship.

## *How Are You? Where are You?*

We know there are many in the Bread of Life Family evacuated because of the flood. Your church leaders and congregation want to know where you are and needs that you have. **Enclosed is a card for you to fill out and return to help us keep in touch.**

Have you registered for disaster assistance? The first step is **call 1-800-621-FEMA (3362)**. This is important even if you may not have property damage. If you were affected in any way, there may be a need or loss identified later. When you register, please have the following info available:

- \* Social Security Number (yours & spouse)
- \* Private insurance info, if available
- \* Address and zip code of the damaged property
- \* Direction to damaged property - Tell them property is not accessible.
- \* Telephone number where FEMA can reach you
- \* Bank account info if you will have direct deposit

## *As You Worship*

There is a lot going on in our lives at this time and we are reminded to make some time for ourselves. In troubled times, personal prayer and God's help, through worship and the hands and fellowship of others, can be a big support. If you are not able to worship at BOL because of the flood or vacations, you can mail your offerings to the church. If you attend one of the Minot ELCA churches, you can leave your offering envelope there and it will be returned to BOL .

## *From the President*

July, 2011

To my Bread of Life Family,

In the midst of the worst flood in the history of the City of Minot, comes some wonderful news! Pastor Taryn Montgomery has accepted our call and will begin her career as the Pastor of Bread of Life Lutheran Church the first week of August, 2011! Praise God, for he truly is our one source of strength.

We will need much of our strength to pull through this flood event as a community and a family. I am simply awed by the fact that we here in the upper Midwest can lean on one another so heavily. I pray that this outpouring of kinship and brotherhood continues through the other end of this horrific and epic disaster. The national celebrities continually talk about what happened to all of those displaced people! Those of us that have been here for any length of time know what has happened to them, they have been taken in by friends, neighbors and at times even strangers open their doors to people in need.

This is a trying time for many and will turn out to be a long haul for some time into the future, but with much prayer and support from our "families" we will all get through this and likely be stronger for it in the end.

It is with regret that the carnival committee has canceled the summer outreach carnival. This has been a great event but it is felt that our focus at this time needs to be helping with flood recovery. With that thought in mind, Bishop Mark Narum and representatives from Lutheran Disaster Response are working with the city of Minot to coordinate needs and volunteers. More details and specific needs will be available soon.

I pray for each of you who are affected directly or indirectly by the flood, as well as those who are here to assist those involved and those who give so much of themselves to help their hurting brethren. The Guardsmen, the emergency workers, public servants, Red Cross workers, contractors and volunteers from churches and communities around the country who come to the site of a disaster to simply lend a hand and help those in need, all orchestrated by His mighty yet humbly scarred hands are what really makes this world go round. Thank you to each and every one who have extended a hand, kind word, or prayer in support of a victim of the flood of 2011.

Scot D. Redding, BOL Council President

***"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it."... 1 Corinthians 12:26***

### *Greetings from Pastor Taryn*

We've made it to Minot! It's been a full summer of packing, visiting family, and making the cross-country trek to our new prairie home. My husband Christoph and I arrived last week and have been settling in to our new home in Berthold. As you might know, Christoph has been called to serve as Pastor of Zion Lutheran in Berthold and Carpio Lutheran in Carpio. And I could not be more excited to be joining you at Bread of Life in Minot!

While I am thrilled to be in your midst, it is also heart wrenching to witness the high waters and to know that many residents have lost so much to the recent flood. I know that many of you are also affected. Whether you have lost your home or you are housing someone who has, no one goes untouched by the devastation that accompanies natural disaster. Reflecting in recent days, I am reminded of God's promise to be present in the midst of loss and despair.

*God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
Psalm 46:1-3*

At times it may feel like God has forgotten us. We question, we struggle, we ask "why" and "how"? The landscape around us has certainly changed, and as the waters continue to recede we will see just how different our town now appears. As a community, Minot will never be the same. We have been affected in ways deeper than we can realize. And yet, God promises to be present: in our loss and in our rebuilding. Our constant help in times of trouble. May we rest assured of Christ's presence dwelling among us, even in the murky waters of life.

While my first weekend with you will not be until August 6/7, you will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers as you navigate these days. May God's love be your stronghold and your beacon of hope. I look forward to being with you soon!

In Christ,  
Pastor Taryn

### *Ordination of Pastor Taryn Montgomery*

You are invited! The Ordination of Pastor Taryn Montgomery, into the Ministry of Word and Sacrament, will take place:

Sunday, July 31st at 3:00pm  
Christ Lutheran Church  
Monticello, IL

A BBQ picnic will be immediately following.

While it is a long trek from Minot, know that you are most welcome! And please pray for Pastor Taryn as she steps into her call as a pastor to God's people – at Bread of Life and within the larger Church.



## *JULY BIRTHDAYS*

- 1 Neil Melom
- 3 Bruce Anderson, Michaela Huber,  
Marva Smith
- 5 Kim McCarty, Jessie Hamilton
- 6 Greg Petz, Megan Thompson
- 7 Tom Henderson, Deb Jundt,  
Garrett Anderson
- 8 Jordan Abrahamson,  
Justin Abrahamson
- 9 Mae Ludwig
- 10 Candy Hamilton, LeAnn Hanson  
Marcell Johnson
- 11 *Brian Fricke, Ron Neshem,  
Lon Drevecky, Erick Johnson  
Arnold Olson*
- 12 Joan Diers, Alan Flaten,  
Josh Nelson, Kresten Drevecky
- 13 Mickenzie Branson, Dylan Henderson
- 14 Jory Long
- 15 Katie Ressler, Dylan Ellis
- 17 Madysen Williamson
- 18 Susan Thompson
- 19 Ruben Renfandt
- 20 Kyle Grondahl
- 21 Andy Gilbertson, Micole Wells
- 23 Jeanice Officer, Bruklyn Schrum,  
Cooper Shipp
- 24 Michelle Lauckner
- 25 Cory Huber
- 26 LaDawn Berg,
- 28 Elaine Swanson
- 29 Jason Anderson, Shirley Petz,  
Jade Thompson  
Ryder Smith-Johnson
- 30 Alice Huber
- 31 Emily Bender

## *JULY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES*

- 2 Darrell & Donna Roos
- 5 Kelly & Ana Drevecky,  
Kay & David Reed

- 9 Jim & Candy Hamilton
- 14 Todd & Brenda Flaten
- 17 *Kim & Lori Francis*
- 25 Mitch & Janet Kraft
- 26 Tim & Deb Helstedt
- 31 Ron & JoAnn Kjelskus

## *AUGUST BIRTHDAYS*

- 1 Bill Kesler, Floyd Olaf, Isabell Ressler,  
Kaleb Eggen
- 2 Don Amble, Brenda Lemere
- 3 Nathan Schrum
- 4 Frankie Burgard, James Hamilton,  
Renaë Henderson
- 5 Marilyn Grosz, Rodney Godejohn,  
Jason Getzlaff
- 7 Samantha Redding, Brenda Sandstrom
- 8 Joshua Melom
- 9 Wade Grondahl, Donna Winden,  
Phillip Weed, Jerome Dahlien
- 10 Eric Berg, Renee Harju, Kathy Mosher
- 12 Julia Ellis, Michelle Schoenberg
- 14 Lori Francis, Nicholas Reiter
- 15 Morris Ludwig, Courtney Bartuska
- 16 Carmen Fricke, Cameron Stone
- 17 Sherri Baker
- 20 Jim Hamilton
- 22 Jerry Gooch
- 25 LuAnn Henning, Michael Bartuska
- 26 Austin Hiller
- 27 John Haugen
- 28 Myron Lahti, Lisa Roteliuk
- 29 Alex Schoenberg-Carton
- 31 Wanda Smith

## *AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSAIRES*

- 2 Gordon & Lee Lien
- 5 Bob & Heather Mathews
- 6 Troy & Carlene Huber
- 11 Rodney & Melissa Godejohn
- 15 Gene & Dawn Evenson
- 16 Mel & Joan Diers
- 19 Carl & Crystal Cree
- 30 Ray & Judy Mock
- 31 Don & Deborah Jundt,  
Michael & Michelle Lauckner  
Michael & Carla Bartuska



