

# Soldier Lutheran Church Chimes

## July 2022

### A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR:

July Newsletter 2022 by Pastor  
Paul Coen

How many Lutherans does it  
take to change a lightbulb?

“CHANGE!?”

I use to think that change was  
pretty much good, moving  
forward into the future, better  
medical, modern technology,  
new things in general.

In the last 6 months, a lot of  
things have happened to bring  
changes to the world we live in,  
from war between Russia and  
Ukraine, Jan. 6th hearings,  
vaccines for little people, mass  
shootings, gas prices, inflation,  
over turning of Roe vs. Wade,  
public prayers at school events,  
the list goes on and it seems  
even more changes are on the  
horizon. Some see the changes  
as good; some see them as bad;  
some see good changes and  
some not so good. So how do  
we as people of faith respond to  
all that is happening in our  
world?

Really good question and there  
is not going to be one answer to  
deal with it all. First let's be  
honest, some folks deal with  
change better than others, some  
folks thrive on change, but right  
now even those who like change  
are finding the chaos too much  
to handle.

Many followers of Christ speak  
about an unchanging God. Well  
I believe God is God and yes  
that does not change. However  
how God interaction with the  
world God created changes as  
we have. Jesus is a really good  
example of how God chooses to

reveal Godself to us. God never  
breaks a promise, but God has  
made more promises to us  
because we need it.

We are entering into a series of  
storms of change, or maybe one  
big hurricane of change. Some  
will try and ride it out, some  
will seek higher ground, some  
will run to get out of the way.  
This is how folks both in and  
outside the church are dealing  
with these changes to our lives.

But I take hope in the fact that  
God will always be with us in  
the midst of all that is  
happening. God will not  
forsake us and gives hope and  
direction in the middle of the  
tumult that surrounds us. God  
may not choose to calm the  
storm or God might, but not  
matter what, God is with us  
always.

Have courage and keep hope  
alive for yourself and others, we  
are all going to need it. Amen!

### COUNCIL MEMBERS & LEADERSHIP FOR 2022:

#### President:

Patty Jensen

Vice Pres: Barb Jensen

#### Secretary:

Meckensie Jensen

#### Treasurer:

Josh Gran

Fin. Sec.: Sheila Clemon

#### Council Members:

Bob Holt

Barb Jensen

Linda McQueen

Ronnie Amunson

John Melby

Stephanie Lee

Stacey Thomas

Shawn Lee

#### Youth Member:

Taryn Clemon

### Sub Committees:

Parsonage: Patty Jensen,  
Stacey Thomas, John Melby

Town Church: Linda  
McQueen, Barb Jensen,  
Stephanie Lee

South Church: Bob Holt,  
Shawn Lee, Ronnie Amunson

#### Cemetery Committee:

Bob Holt

Richard Ulmer

Ronnie Amunson

Shawn Lee

Usher Chairperson: Jean  
Ulmer

#### Board of Education:

Carrie Gran

Katie Muff

Maria Blume

Cheri Hadden

Molly Jensen

Kelsey Steele

### WORSHIP:

Worship @ 8:30 AM

#### HEAD USHER(S):

Stacey Thomas

### READERS:

**\*FYI: Readings will start  
being Emailed out as the  
mail has been delayed. \***

**July 3** – Barb Jensen

**July 10** – Barb Jensen

**July 17** – Patty Jensen

**July 24** – Stephanie Lee

**July 31** – Becky Marcum

### ALTAR GUILD:

Stacey Thomas, Cheri Hadden,  
Taya Thomas, Sandy Harris

### WELCA:

**NO meeting in July.**

### Council Meeting:

**There will be NO July  
Council Meeting.**



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### **Bible Study:** **No Bible Study in July.**

### **\*Notes and News: \***

*The WELCA Ladies are collecting Pop Tabs to send to the Ronald McDonald House. If you have any please drop them off in the Narthex at the Church.*

*Just a Reminder that the April-June Devotionals are here and are located in the Narthex.*

*Linda McQueen will be sending out bi-weekly copies of Pastor's Sermon to the home bound without technology. If you know of someone you who would like to receive this please contact Linda at (712)884-2587.*

*Do you want folks to know what you are up to? If you have a ministry or project coming up, please let Meckensie, our secretary know, so that it can get in the upcoming newsletter. Please get it to her by the 3rd week of the month. As well, a typed copy that can be sent by email is best, that way she does not have to retype it herself. Thanks. Here is her email soldierlutheran@hotmail.com*



*WELCA is doing a Stewardship Project. They are asking for Nail Clippers and Body Soap that is individually wrapped. You may drop it off in a basket in the Narthex.*

### **SLC Council Minutes:**

Soldier Lutheran Council  
Meeting June 6, 2022 @ 6PM

Present: Bob Holt, Shawn Lee, Patty Jensen, Josh Gran, Linda McQueen, Barb Jensen, Pastor Paul.

Pastor Paul opened the meeting with Prayer.

The Secretary's Report was presented. Shawn Lee motioned to approve. Bob Holt seconded. All approved.

Treasurer's Report was presented. Noisy offering check to Mapleton Pantry has not been cashed yet. Patty Jensen will call and check on this. May noisy offering to go to Lutheran Lakeside. The check for the donation for the use of ground from the Pickle's was received. Linda McQueen motioned to approve. Barb Jensen seconded. All approved.

The cans that Sheila Clemon picks up for Luther League – it was thought that she wouldn't be doing this anymore. Patty Jensen to check on this.

Pastor's Report and Mileage was presented. Bob Holt motioned to approve. Shawn Lee seconded. All approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The South Church Cemetery mowing for Memorial Day. Everyone said it looked great.

Memorial Day Church Service went great and meal was great as well.

Memorial Weekend Sitters were all filled well and went well.

The Streaming for our Church is in the works.

Piano and Organ tuning had it fixed before Memorial Weekend. Alice McQueen said it works well. Dennis and Linda McQueen, Bob and Chris Holt were there to help with anything. A Thank You to Dennis and Linda McQueen for serving the gentleman lunch.

Crack in the Wall in the Sunday School room – Bob Holt to get ahold of Thrashers.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Call Committee getting the Church's Profile set up.

Parsonage Committee to get together and do a walk through and get things put together and fixed.

Cemetery Don Kuhlman VFW in Ute said a Janet Larsen was wanting the Veterans Stones to be cleaned. Due to many reasons and the main reason being they are not our stones we would not allow this.

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Discussion was held about the next Council Meeting. We will not have a Council Meeting in July and wait until August. Shawn Lee motioned to approve. Bob Holt seconded. All approved.

WELCA reports that the Memorial Lunch went well.

Motioned by Linda McQueen to adjourn. Bob Holt seconded. All approve.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

-Secretary: Meckensie Jensen.

### WELCA Minutes:

June 7, 2022 WELCA Meeting  
Gaylene opened the meeting in Jesus name with 8 members present. Devotions were given by Joyce Hanneman from a Daily Devotion for June 7th. If you have your Savior, Lord, and Friend you have everything that really matters. So learn to be content regardless of what you may lack in this world.  
Gaylene gave the Treasurer's Report for Patty. Memorial Day Dinner profit was discussed. Joyce Hanneman made a motion to deposit the free will offering from the Memorial Day Dinner into our WELCA Acct. Elaine Holst 2nd the motion. A Thank you card was sent to the Monona County Cattlemen for the beef certificates to purchase the

hamburger for our dinner. It was very much appreciated. Thank you! Also a Thrivent Card was applied and received to help with the dinner expenses. Thank you! Minutes of the May WELCA Meeting were read by Susan. Minutes approved. No Correspondence.  
Offering Meditations given by Chris Holt. She read an interesting article on God's Hebrew name.  
YaHWeH. YH (inhale) WH (exhale). God chose to give himself a name that we can't help but speak every moment we breathe. Offering was collected. We are still collecting towels & etc for our Stewardship Project. Basket in the front entry way of the church.  
Old Business:  
Ladies planted Easter Lilies left at the church after Easter Services. Lilies were planted in the front of the town church. Ladies will meet Thursday, June 16th at 9:00 to weed the flower garden in the front of the town church. Bring your gloves!  
New Business:  
New Kitchen Project for next year! Ladies will get bids to replace our Island in the kitchen with new sinks and new ideas for the Island were discussed. Cleaning duties for the kitchen were also discussed.  
Joyce asked the ladies to collect can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities, an organization that helps families with sick children reside close to where their child's treatments are located.

No WELCA Meeting July & August 2022.  
Remember in our prayers: Amy Cooper, Ruth Jensen, Doris Mauch, JoAnn Mitchell, and also remember the Dustin Thoreson Benefit on Sunday, June 12th. Gaylene will talk with Patty and Ellen on the \$25.00 offering for the Western Iowa Synod Women's Meeting.  
Lunch was served by Gaylene. Thank you!  
Duties for the Sept 6th meeting:  
Hostess: Gaylene Dickinson  
Devotions: Sandy Harris  
Offering Meditations: Joyce Hanneman  
Submitted by Susan Miller

### Treasurer Report:

05/01/2022 - 05/31/2022 Gen Fund Benevolence  
4/30/2022  
Beginning Balances \$22,695.63  
\$156.09  
Income  
Offering \$3,732.86 \$4.00  
Pastor Salary Fund \$1,150.00  
\$0.00  
Noisy offering \$141.24  
Misc. \$0.00  
Total Income \$3,874.10 \$4.00  
Expenses  
Administration  
Postage \$0.00  
Office Supplies \$56.70  
Advertising - mowing \$57.23  
Workers Comp adjustment \$28.00  
Total \$141.93  
Education  
Sunday School Supplies \$0.00  
Total \$0.00  
Property Maintenance  
Church  
Propane \$466.85  
Bill's Pest Control \$40.00  
Janitor Supplies \$0.00  
Utilities -  
City/MidAmerican/Longlines \$437.10  
One Pass LLC - mowing \$0.00



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Plumbing repairs - Dunlap P&H

\$644.57

Parsonage

Propane \$24.31

Utilities -

City/MidAmerican/Longlines

\$24.64

Total \$1,637.47

Salary

Janitor \$277.05

Secretary \$304.75

Financial Secretary \$50.00

Treasurer \$50.00

Organist \$40.00

Pastor - wage \$868.45

Pastor - insurance \$0.00

Pastor - mileage \$551.36

Pastor - supply/Memorial Day

\$100.00

Federal Taxes \$0.00

State Taxes \$0.00

Total \$2,241.61

South Church

Mid American \$11.29

Repairs \$286.75

Total \$298.04

Worship

Worship Supplies \$143.56

Kingsbury Elec - hearing devices

\$362.10

Piano & Organ repairs \$459.70

Total \$965.36

Total Expenses \$5,284.41

05/31/2022 \$21,285.32 \$160.09

Account Balance

checks not cleared \$56.70

\$100.00

\$153.33

\$21,595.35

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## Soldier Lutheran Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Ron Holt, Sara Folk, Shay Melby Birthday	2
3 Worship @ Town Church 8:30 AM	4 Independence Day Becky Gangestad Birthday	5	6	7	8	9
10 Worship @ Town Church 8:30 AM	11 Linda McQueen Birthday	12	13	14	15	16 Rhonda Miller Birthday
17 Worship @ Town Church 8:30 AM	18 Nolan Muff & Alice McQueen Birthday	19	20 Caleb Clemon & Breckin Steele Birthday	21	22 Hazel Most Birthday	23
24 Worship @ Town Church 8:30 AM	25 Katie Muff Birthday	26 Chelsey Fundermann & Meggan Manlove Birthday	27 Josie McClure, Diane Gosch, Norma Heistand Birthday	28 Maria Blume Birthday	29	30
31 Worship @ Town Church 8:30 AM  Megan Most & Dave Little Birthday						



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