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Rose and Spruce Church Newsletter

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Invitation and Excuses

"At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready." Luke 14:17

What do you do when you receive a invitation? I'm sure you check your calendar and hope you can answer yes. Especially when it's an event or happening that is appealing to you. Many times it is an opportunity to celebrate someone or something.

In the parable of the Great Banquet in Luke 14:15-24, Jesus notes the blessing it is to eat at the feast in the kingdom of God. You and I are invited to eat with the King of Kings, our Savior, Jesus Christ. This is a free invitation to receive the gift of eternal life, to have a seat at His table for all eternity.

The people invited in the Parable have the chance to go to the banquet, but they give excuses......I've just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out...... I've just bought a field, and I must go see it......I just got married, so I can't come. None of these seemingly good excuses should keep us away from Jesus, the greatest gift and the One who paid for our ticket with His life. Our excuses can exclude us from an eternity in heaven

What excuse do we use when God invites us daily to spend time with Him, or a more important question......What excuse do we use to not truly believe in Jesus Christ? Do you know and truly trust in Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior? Does your life show that you are answering His invitation to you?

In the month of May I would like to invite you to come to church on Sundays or join online as we look at what it means to be an active part of a congregation. We believe biblically that "the congregation is the right form of the kingdom of God on earth." The Holy Spirit dwells in the hearts of believers, and where believers gather is the kingdom of Grace here on earth. If we truly believe in Jesus, we are called to gather together in worship and in work and to live out our personal daily relationship with our Redeemer.

In Christ, Pastor Todd

Rose News

Ministries

Women

- WMF Bible Studies at Rose on Monday, May 13
 - o Dorcas Group 2:00 pm
 - Ruth Group 7:00pm
 - Hostess: Julie Fugleberg
 - Bible Study Leader: Val Johnson
- WMF Program & Meeting at Rose on Thursday, May 16. 7:00 pm
 - Hostess & Program: Carol Holland, Rachal Erickson & Nycole Hass

Men

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Wednesday, May 1, 7:00 am at First United Lutheran Church **Guy's CFB** Wednesdays, May 8, 15, 22 & 29; 7:00-8:00 am at Rose; All guys are welcome to come for CFB--coffee, food, & Bible







Coffee Fellowship Servers

<u>Sunday, May 5, 9:30am</u> Buddy Erickson, Tim Wysocki, Julie Fugleberg & Kurt Osweiler families



Fellowship Meal Servers

Sunday, May 19
Bill Erickson, Amy Erickson, Orlan
Dvergsten, Brian DeMars & Ross
Olson families



Special Music Organizers

Carmen Przekwas



Ushers

Kurt Osweiler Marty Kupper

The Scene at Spruce



SERVICE TIME

9:00 AM



Fellowship Brunch Servers

Brenda Dahl & Joan Dahl



Church Cleaning

Dennis Smedsmo & Mark Karol families



Birthdays

11: Joan Dahl

14: Mary Ann Olafson

16: Walter Hellquist

21: Harrison (Harry) Roth

28: Connie Nelson

Ministries

Youth

Youth Group at Osweiler's on Sunday's at **6:30pm**.

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Spruce Mission Aid & Bible Study

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"Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew. like showers on new grass. like abundant rain on tender plants.

Deuteronomy 32:2

Meeting Minutes

Rose Free Lutheran Church Council Unapproved Meeting Minutes April 23, 2024

Meeting Called to order by President Tim Fugleberg.

Pastor Todd Erickson read from Our Daily Bread and led us in prayer.

Those present were: President Tim Fugleberg, Pastor Todd Erickson, Jeremy Anderson, Jon Johnson, Kurt Osweiler, Cody Schumann, Keith Peppel, Ben Huener, Sue Rudebusch and Jean Pederson.

Secretary's Report was read and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report was read by Sue Rudebusch and a Motion made by Keith Peppel to approve and 2nd by Ben Huener.

Old Business:

Lawn Mower: There was a lawn mower donated to the parsonage and delivered.

Storage Shed: Discussion on which kind of shed should be gotten for the parsonage. Buddy Erickson has made some inquiries and the cost would be about \$8,000.00 delivered and put in place. Cody Schumann moved that the Council approve this at this time. 2nd by Kurt Osweiler. This will have to be approved by the Spruce Church also.

New Business:

Windows/Insulation in Sanctuary: A long discussion on this was held. Tim Fugleberg has talked to John Hallie about the Window estimates for 7 Windows, they have gone up to about \$50,000.00. More information will be needed. Other discussion was held about the amount of money it would take to insulate the north and south walls of the church. Pastor Todd requested all of the members to pray about what should be done.

There will be a Work Day/Spring Clean up day on May 1. Anyone is welcome to come and help out the Christian Ed Committee.

A Donation to the World Mission for John and Hannah Lee for being here at Rose. \$500.00 from the Deacon's Fund and \$500.00 from the General Fund was made a motion by Kurt Osweiler and 2nd by Jon Johnson.

Pastor's Report:

May 2nd will be National Day of Prayer at the Roseau County Court House at 5:15 PM

May 5th will be Confirmation Sunday, with 5 from Rose and 2 from Spruce.

May 19th will be Senior Sunday at Rose

May 22nd is Baccalaureate at the Roseau High School

June 12 thru 15 is AFLC Conference in the Cities

June 23rd is Church Sunday for Spruce and Rose at Galilee Bible Camp at Lake Bronson.

As there was no further business, meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Jean Pederson Council Secretary





LIFT UP THE WORD LIGHT UP THE WORLD

2 SAMUEL 22:29-31

THE 73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

The Roseau Area Ministerial will be hosting a local National Day of Prayer observance on the steps of the Courthouse at 5:15 PM. Chairs will be provided. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer.

CONFIRMATION SERVICES MAY 5, 2024

SPRUCE - 9:00 AM

Ethan Neville

Harry Poth

ROSE - 10:30 AM

Jonathon Baglien

Ellic Erickson

Zeke Osweiler

Ryder Rice

Mackenzie Pobertson

Please continue to keep the confirmands in your prayers.

All are invited to join them and their families for a brunch at Spruce and a luncheon at Rose following the Confirmation Services.



Graduates' Sunday at Rose will be May 19th

You are invited to celebrate with the graduates:

Seth Erickson

May 25, 1-4 pm, Rose Church

Lelia Johnson

June 1, 12-4 pm, Wannaska Community Center

Macy Majer

May 18, 10 am - 1 pm, Rose Church

Grant Osweiler

May 26, 5-8 pm, 300 2nd St. NE, Roseau

Emma Wittak

June 8, 2-4 pm, 27423 310th Ave, Badger

Galilee Bible Camps 2024

https://galileebiblecampmn.org/summer-camps/



Teen Camp*
June 18-23
Preteen Camp*
June 23-27

Family Camp

July 17-21

*Early Registration Deadline-June 5

Bible Camp Sunday**
June 23, 10:45 am
Dinner afterwards
**No Services at Spruce or Rose