

# The Messenger

## Underwood Lutheran Church

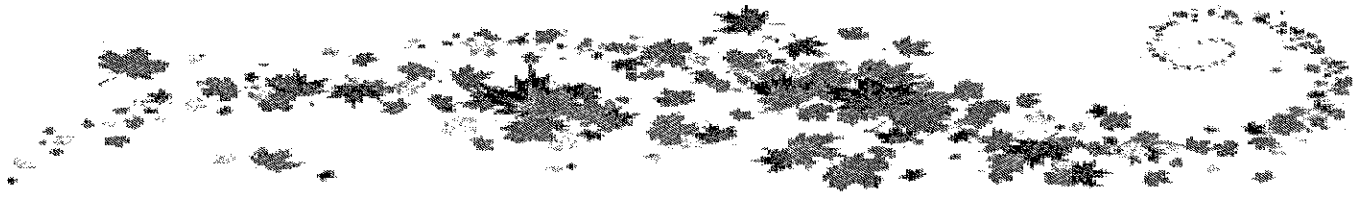
### October, 2018

Pastor Scott Dalen

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SUNDY SCHOOL-CONFIRMATION-ADULT BIBLE STUDY 9:00 am  
WORSHIP SERVICE @10:15 AM



- Wednesday evening Bible Study will continue on the same schedule, meeting most Wednesday evenings at 6pm. The study of Revelation will continue into the first part of October. Pastor Scott is open to suggestions for our next topic, though an ongoing focus on the Biblical Narrative is a possibility. Study will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>. We will not plan on meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - High School meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup>. Though the 31<sup>st</sup> falls on a Wednesday, we will not meet as it is Halloween.
  - Interested in becoming a member of Underwood Lutheran? Pastor Scott will lead a New Member Class on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7pm. Members will be accepted into the congregation on Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>, which is Reformation Sunday. Watch for sign-up information at the church.
  - The Annual Roast Beef Dinner will be held at UMBA on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>. Though many of our people will be gone for the event, regular Sunday morning activity will still held.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and their parents will be invited to participate in Communion Instruction in either late October or early November. Watch for more information.
  - We are online. Visit our webpage at <http://www.underwoodlutheran.org/> Find information on current ministry opportunities and worship times.
- Look for us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/UnderwoodLutheranChurch> Be sure to “Like” the page for updates about what’s happening at ULC.
- Pastor Scott’s weekly sermons are available on his blog at <http://thecollarandorangehat.wordpress.com/> Pastor Scott posts his sermons in both text and audio format each week. Look for his posts to be highlighted on Facebook as well as the church website.
- Pastor Scott also posts a weekly gospel discussion video, called Sermon Braindump at <http://www.youtube.com/user/sanchodaleone>



Early last summer, while attending the annual Synod Assembly for the Western Iowa Synod, I was elected to serve our local Conference as a representative to the Synod Council. My role is essentially the same as our elected members of the Congregational Council here at ULC. The Synod Council serves as the legislative and executive body between Assemblies, just as the Council does so between our local Annual Meetings. My term will last 3 years. During this time I'll be involved alongside the Bishop and other Synod Staff, as well as other elected officials for the synod.

One of these other individuals is the elected Synod Vice-President Brian Campbell. Brian's role is equivalent to our Congregational Council President. Recently I received communication from Brian that is intended to be shared with the congregation regarding the upcoming election for Western Iowa's Synod Bishop, which will be held at the Assembly in 2019. Our current Bishop, Rodger Prois, is running for re-election as he comes to the end of his first 6-year term. However, other candidates can, and likely will be presented as well. With this small amount of background, please take the time to read Brian's address in preparation for next year's election.

Pastor Scott

*To the Congregations of the Western Iowa Synod:*

*The Western Iowa Synod Assembly will be held in Sioux City on May 3-5, 2019. It may seem early to start planning. However, this assembly will be unique in the fact that it will involve a bishop election. Bishop elections occur every six years. The term of office is six years and bishops in the Western Iowa Synod may serve two terms. Bishop Prois has served six years and has agreed to put his name forth for a second term.*

*The election process allows for the nomination of any ordained pastor who is on the roster of the ELCA. Nominations will need to include contact information for that person, and of course those nominated should be asked if they would serve if elected.*

*You will be electing voting members to attend the Synod Assembly at the annual meeting of your congregation. It is important that these people have a sense of the thoughts and desires of the people of the Synod as they make decisions regarding the business and direction of the Synod as well as the election of a bishop.*

*With the help of the ELCA, a synod survey will soon be available on the WISynod website to aid in the discussions during this election year.*

*Now is the time for you to start conversations discussing the synod purpose and mission to share with your voting members. This may occur in Sunday or Sabbath School, Bible study, cottage meeting, etc. This will enable people at Synod Assembly to make informed decisions regarding the future of our Synod.*

*The Election Committee will post information to keep you informed about the election process and progress. Please check the Western Iowa Synod website and E-spirit for updates.*

*Brian Campbell, Western Iowa Synod Vice President*

## **Underwood Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes August 8, 2018**

**Members present:** Jessica Hultquist, Michael Johnson, Bob Pingel, Erik Pedersen, Roger Hemmingsen, Jeff Poggensee, Carol Yeaton, Bill Shelton, Rhonda Johnson

**Others Present:** Linda Merdinger

**Absent:** Pastor Scott Dalen, Lynn Leaders

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by council president, Jessica Hultquist.

**Financial Reports:** Linda Merdinger presented the financial reports electronically. The report had some computer errors that caused some zeroes to appear on the report. Report will be updated and approved at September's council meeting.

### **Secretary's Report:**

Moved by Bob Pingel and seconded by Bill Shelton to approve the 7/11/18 council meeting minutes. Motion carried.

### **Pastor's Report:**

#### Parish Education Matters

- Confirmation schedule is complete
- Orientation on Aug 29<sup>th</sup>. Class begins Sept 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Rally Day is Sept 9<sup>th</sup>,

#### Calendar Matters

- Sunday schedule change
- Last 9:30 Worship Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Resume program year schedule Sept 9<sup>th</sup>
- Synod Fall Theological Convention
- Sept 16-18<sup>th</sup> (Sunday evening-Tuesday morning)

#### Congregational Life

- Kim is starting regular JH youth group activities
- Tentatively planning on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month
- Intended to coincide with existing high school activities

#### Pastoral Acts

- Regular visitation schedule
- 97 Communed (1 regular Communion week plus Arrowhead Worship)
- July 15<sup>th</sup> (67 of 76)
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> (30 of 32)
- Aug 5<sup>th</sup> will be reported at Sept report
- Baptismal class with family (Baptism slated for Sept 30<sup>th</sup>)

### **Committee Reports:**

Property

Discussion about front parsonage stoop. First estimate came at \$5,000.  
\$300 rebate back from furnace.  
Office air conditioner has been replaced but no rebate with that.

Education

Rally Day is September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Life

Need to meet to discuss directory.

Operations

Starting to plan 2019 budget.

**Old Business:**

CDs put into new 60 day CDs. Checking account setup for interest from CDs. They mature September 20<sup>th</sup>. Making progress on evaluating Thrivent, Edward Jones, and New York Life and hope to have decision by the next maturation date.

**New Business:**

The next council meeting will be held September 12, 2018.

Moved by Jeff Poggensee and seconded by Erik Pedersen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Johnson  
Underwood Lutheran Church Council Secretary



Thanks to those who greeted in the month of  
September.  
Jeff and Tracy Shreeves

## Council Meeting

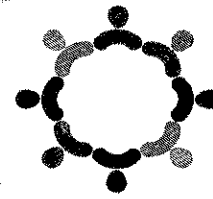
The council meeting will be October 10th at  
7:00 pm.



## Offerings....

### *"Our gifts to God"*

	Offerings	Attendance
Aug. 26	\$ 5877.00	76
Sept. 02	\$ 1654.65	56
Sept. 09	\$ 1388.00	120
Sept. 16	\$ 3271.50	93



## WOMEN'S CIRCLE

Telescope Circle will meet October 11th at  
1:30 pm, with Carolyn Miller as Hostess.

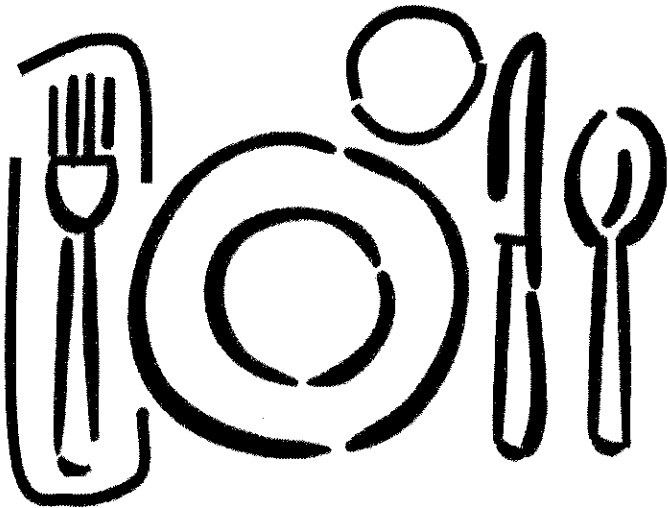
Martha Circle will meet October 12th at 2:00  
pm with Carol Bertelsen as Hostess.



The third ULC "Movies on the Lawn" series  
this summer was a huge success! There were  
an average of 25 people who attended the  
movie in June, July and August. The  
attendees enjoyed a free movie along with  
complimentary bottled water, soda, popcorn  
and glow sticks for the kids. The committee  
of four is looking forward to planning more  
movies next summer so watch your  
calendars! Thanks to all who attended and  
supported this community outreach activity!

# Roast Beef Dinner

The Roast Beef Dinner is set for Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:00 to 1:30 at the UMBA Hall. A reminder that ladies you will be contacted to bring a salad, dessert or money donations for the event. Consider bringing your favorite goodies for the Bake Sale at the dinner. Any items for the fish pond should be brought to the church ahead of time in clear Ziploc bags. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Tracy Shreeves at [402-981-5098](tel:402-981-5098) or [tmsshreeves@gmail.com](mailto:tmsshreeves@gmail.com)



"IN *Happy* MOMENTS,  
PRAISE GOD.  
IN DIFFICULT MOMENTS,  
**SEEK** *God.*  
IN QUIET MOMENTS,  
*trust* GOD.  
IN EVERY MOMENT,  
THANK *God.*"

## YOUTH GROUP

October 3rd: Bingo at Bethany Lutheran Home.

October 17th: Bonfire

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!

We will be having our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Holiday Brunch on Sunday November 25<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

# Worship Participants for October, 2018

If you are unable to participate as scheduled, please call the office-566-2257

ORGANISTS	Oct. 07	Nancy Dose	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14	Judy Pingel	
	Oct. 21	Nancy Dose	COMMUNION
	Oct. 28	Judy Pingel	
ACOLYTES	Oct. 07	Elizabeth Hendersen	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14	Rachael Privia	
	Oct. 21	Tenley Roberts	COMMUNION
	Oct. 28	Danny Stein	
LECTORS	Oct. 07	Gary Leaders	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14	Lea Voss	
	Oct. 21	Tonya Mayer	COMMUNION
	Oct. 28	Richard Miller	
USHERS	Oct. 07	Gary and Jan Ehrens	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14	Mark and Landon Torneten	
	Oct. 21	Alex and Sonya Schiphoff	COMMUNION
	Oct. 28	Jim and Nadine Trede	
GREETERS	Oct. 07	The Johnson Family	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14		
	Oct. 21	Dave and Linda Jennings	COMMUNION
	Oct. 28	Karen, Shirley & Jackie	
SPECIAL MUSIC	Oct. 07	Carol Yeaton	COMMUNION
	Oct. 14	The Choraleers	
	Oct. 21		COMMUNION
	Oct. 28		

ALTAR GUILD: Tonya Mayer and Marlene Merdinger  
CARRYING ELEMENTS: Lewis and Julie Curtis  
DEACON: Lynn Leaders



**October 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	10/1	2	3 5:15 PM Jr. High 6:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM High School Group	4	5	6
7 9:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation/Adult Forum 10:15 AM Worship Service/Holy Communion	8	9	10 6:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Council Meeting	11 1:30 PM Telescope Circle	12 2:00 PM Martha Circle	13
14 9:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation/Adult Forum 10:15 AM Worship Service	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 9:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation/Adult Forum 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Annual Roast Beef Dinner	22	23	24 6:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM New Member Class	25	26	27
28 9:00 AM Sunday School/Confirmation/Adult Forum 10:15 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM New Member Recognition	29	30	31			



# Books of the Bible

## Old Testament

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1 Chronicles	Esther	Job	Nehemiah
1 Kings	Exodus	Joel	Numbers
1 Samuel	Ezekiel	Jonah	Obadiah
2 Chronicles	Ezra	Joshua	Proverbs
2 Kings	Genesis	Judges	Psalms
2 Samuel	Habakkuk	Lamentations	Ruth
Amos	Haggai	Leviticus	Song of Solomon
Daniel	Hosea	Malachi	Zechariah
Deuteronomy	Isaiah	Micah	Zephaniah
Ecclesiastes	Jeremiah	Nahum	

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