



# MERE LYS newsletter

## Nora Unitarian Universalist Church

August 2013

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### VIEW FROM THE HILL



#### **Busy.**

That's my one word answer several times a day when folks ask me how my summer has been. I haven't preached in more than a month (and that's all ministers do, right?), but I've been to a board meeting and a committee meeting, conducted two memorial services (one here for Vernon Iverson and one in Mankato), ate with the Lunch Bunch, sent out a handful of "Grapevines" and just last night enjoyed our fabulous, one of a kind Music and Pie Night. And then there was GA in Louisville, preceded by Ministry Days and some specialized leadership training and followed by four days with friends. Foster teens! Respite teens! A quick trip to the Cities where Mom, my sister, my sister-in-law, my niece, my foster teen and I all had pedicures. And out of town guests for four nights! I guess summer isn't for loafing around anymore!

But it's all good. I love that our small congregation is lively and active and stays in touch over our summer break. And I'm blessed to have professional commitments that enrich my life, and friends and family that make it all shine and sing with meaning and joy and love, and abundant love and bedrooms to offer teens who need a space to find themselves.

It is hard to believe, but the pace and shape of life are about to change again. The start of the 2013-2014 church year is just weeks away. Our schedulers have been busy scheduling musicians and greeters and servers. Our program committee is planning for monthly services. And lefse making is about to commence. I'm even thinking about writing sermons.

Life goes along one day at a time. Clocks and calendars and schedules are artificial keepers of time. Yet our lives do have rhythms and cycles. There is comfort and possibility both in the coming around again of familiar seasons. The comfort of knowing what to expect and the possibility of doing things differently this time.

Welcome to the new year--all of us--welcome!

### MUSIC AND PIE 213

What a success! A packed house on a lovely summer evening and generous donations for two worthy causes (the Hanska Library and the United Way's Back Pack project).

Thanks to Nita and Kristine for organizing. And Nita for emceeding. Thanks to Ardelle, Destiny, Doug, Elliott, Jordan, Mimi, Nita, and Sabrina for performing. And thanks to the many expert pastry chefs who provided pies and scooped ice cream. And many, many thanks to the audience of generous listeners and donors.

## THE LUNCH BUNCH



We had a great turnout for the July outing. I think we miss getting together. You'll have another opportunity in August. The High Council for Lunch Bunch has designated Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 11:30 p.m. as official LB Day. The place: Grand Moon Buffet in New Ulm. See you there.

## INVITATION FROM ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH IN HANSKA

We are invited to Zion W.E.L.C.A. Guest Day at the Zion Lutheran Church in Hanska for a Noon Luncheon on Wednesday, August 28, 2012.

We will be entertained with joy and laughter by Marie Henriksen of Arco, MN. Besides being a part of our relationship to God, joy is important for our own health and well being. Mark your calendars. Come and enjoy an afternoon of a "neighborly" get-together of fun and relaxation.

Please R.S.V.P. to Gudrun Kjelshus 439-6837 by Saturday, August 24. Everyone Welcome.

## LEFSE MAKING DAZE

If you are a pro, a novice, or an eager cheerleader, all kinds of help is needed as we prepare lefse for the upcoming smorg.

We've planned times late in the day for those employed outside the home, on Saturday for those coming from out of town, and one weekday. We usually operate with four griddles, so that means at least four rollers, four cooks, at least a couple packagers, and cleanup crew. If you are a dough maker, let us know which days you are planning to bring so we can try to evenly distribute the effort. Dates are: Tuesday, Aug 6 at 3:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 9:00; and Saturday, Sept. 21 at 9:00. It's best to check ahead with either Joy Rathmann or Jeanie Hinsman if you can help so we can be better prepared. The more the merrier!

## BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Nora Church has a lovely setting with beautiful trees. However the oaks are mature and foresight would be to start some younger trees. If you're willing to donate a tree as a memorial contact someone on Buildings and Grounds committee.

## MEMBER CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Our new mailing address as of July 29 is 1001 N. Garden St, Apt. 203, New Ulm. Janet & Noah

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The VUU

Lively Conversation on issues of the day!  
with hosts Meg Riley  
and Joanna Crawford  
...and special guests!

This Thursday, 11 am eastern  
[youtube.com/ChurchLargerFellowsh](http://youtube.com/ChurchLargerFellowsh)

## AUGUST - DECEMBER 2013    SERVERS / GREETERS / USHERS PARTNER LIST

- If your name is not on this list and you would like to participate, please call Susan Allen 359-2856.
- If your name is on this list and you are not able to help, please call and try to arrange to switch with someone else.

ATTENTION PARTNERS: Please communicate with each other regarding food provision.

	MUSICIAN	SERVER/GREETER/USHER PARTNERS
August	18 JoAnn Huss	Nancy Bruderie-Cael Roettger-Raquel Heiderscheidt
	25 Jordan Rathman	Sally Hanson-Gil Hanson-Pat Kunerth
September	1 Mimi Kamleiter	POTLUCK Norma Breu- Roger Breu- Michele Bethke- Nancy Dickson
	8 Sally Hanson	Louise Guggisberg- Lee Drogemuller- Shannon Weiss
	22 Muff Kaim	Nita Gilbert- Ardis Wellman- Elroy Wellman
	29	Clean-up Day
	October	MUSICIAN
October	6 Jordan Rathman	SMORGASBORD
	13 Sally Hanson	Georgine Tepley- Gene Tepley- Diane Becken
	20 JoAnn Huss	Julie Schmitt- John Schmitt- Susan Evers
	27 Mimi Kamleiter	Wendy Tuttle- Carol Chambard- Alan Chambard
November	MUSICIAN	SERVER/GREETER/USHER PARTNERS
	3 Muffy Kain	POTLUCK Susan Allen- Jerry Allen- Colleen Hokenson- Shirley Olson
	10 Jordan Rathman	Edith Beckius- Vickie Sieve- Christopher Olson
	17 JoAnn Huss	Lee Drogenmuller- Jeanie Hinsman- Darrell Hinsman
	24 Sally Hanson	Lynn Schmitt- Lee Schmitt- Jeremy Schmitt
December	MUSICIAN	SERVER/GREETER/USHER PARTNERS
	1 Mimi Kamleiter	POTLUCK Karen Farrell- Julie Peck- Ron Peck- Christopher Olson
	8 Jordan Rathman	Beverly Wellman- Wallace Wellman- Algot Blomquist
	15 JoAnn Huss	Mimi Kamleiter- Scott Schmiesing- Tracey Schmiesing
	22 Sally Hanson	Janet Rosenbloom- Nita Gilbert- Joy Rathman
	24 Muffy Kaim	Christmas Eve

Parsonage: 507-439-6240  
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### PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Pastor Lisa will have Mondays off.  
Friday will be sermon writing day.  
She can be reached on her cell when not in the office



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## Nora Church Sunday Services

### AUGUST 2013

Coffee Time 10:00 AM  
Worship Service 10:30 AM

**AUGUST 18:** "Who Are We?"

**AUGUST 25:** "What Do We Want?"

### To Keep In Touch

Know of someone who needs special mention? please let us know.

Caring Committee members:

Georgine Tepley (chair)

359-3060 (weekdays after 5 pm)

Shirley Olson - 354-1866

Carol Chambard - 354-2242

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

ARE DUE BY THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.

### WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARE DUE BY THURSDAY NOON

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