



# McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Join us for the 6th Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2024

Sun. 9 am Worship

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### A Note From Pastor Kelli

One of the beautiful things about living in the Midwest is the change of seasons, and I love many details unique to the summer experience. There is a shift in the pace of life. School is out for a few months. Vacations and family time are enjoyed. There are beach adventures and bug spray. There's sweet corn and watermelon. Summer in the Midwest is one of a kind.

And while the pace around church has also shifted into a lower gear, it is anything but boring. Just look at worship, for example!

We welcomed Pastor Peter in mid-May and it is a gift to have him in the pulpit and leading services. The Installation Service this Sunday, June 30, will be a great celebration! Bishop Joy will be with us and there will be tasty fellowship afterwards. You won't want to miss it!

We have guest musicians signed up to offer special music during these summer months. You will see new faces, including our younger disciples, helping usher and serve communion. We have celebrated baptisms and have a few more on the calendar. And more! There is a different pace, but it's anything but boring around here.

Summer in Wisconsin is an incredible time – offering the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, to have lemonade and bratwurst, and to come to worship to see what the Holy Spirit has in store for that day.

I'll see you in worship!  
Pastor Kelli



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# Worship Assistant Sign Up

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Sign up to help lead worship as an usher, lector, communion server, and more!

\*Sign Up Here!\*

[Saturday 5PM Worship Sign-Up](#)

[Sunday 8AM Worship Sign-Up](#)

[Sunday 10AM Worship Sign-Up](#)

## Weekly Calendar

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## Baptism

Congratulations to **Howie Mac Henry and Lou Gator Blang** who were baptized on June 23, 2024.

## Greetings from CLM

The end of June? Already?

William Shakespeare wrote: "Summer's lease hath all too short a date." And those words are certainly true.



These days go by so quickly and although the recent heat alert days have altered a few of our plans, we are still having fun in the sun whenever possible. Wednesday turned out to be a picture-perfect day for the school age group to go to Troll Beach in Stoughton. We will end the week with everyone walking to Lily's Ice Cream Parlor and having a cool treat. In between we are making name flags, crab paintings using potato mashers learning how to play hop scotch, and adding color to frozen ice blocks using droppers.

Next week we will celebrate our nation's birthday with some patriotic activities and snacks.

Thank you to Chris Landerud for leading worship this week! We celebrate with all of you the installation of Pastor Peter this Sunday and look ahead with joyful anticipation. See you there!

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## Installation Service for Pastor Peter This Weekend!

In worship this Sunday, June 30, we will celebrate the installation of Pastor Peter Erickson as McFarland Lutheran's new Senior Pastor. There will be only one service this weekend so that we all can come together as one for this celebration. The service will be at 9:00 a.m. (There will be no Saturday evening service, and no services at 8:00 am and 10:00 am on Sunday.) Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin-ELCA will be with us to preside over the installation. Following the service all are invited to a reception (a light luncheon) in the Family Life Center. Please join us!

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## Care of Creation Canoe Trip Postponed

After further consideration with respect for Pastor Erickson's installation, **the COC has postponed its canoe trip originally scheduled for Sunday, June 30, to Sunday, July 14.** More information regarding the COC canoe trip will be forthcoming.



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## Vacation Bible School

Join us July 22 thru the 25 for VBS from 5:00 to 8:00 and dive into friendship with God. Registration forms can be found on the McFarland Lutheran Church website or at the welcome desk in the narthex. Scuba promises to be fun and adventurous don't miss out, registration forms are due July,15. If you want to help out or have questions contact Karen Emerson at [grandma.karen6@yahoo.com](mailto:grandma.karen6@yahoo.com).



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## Prayer Shawl Workshop

Join us **Monday, July 1st at 6:30pm** for a prayer shawl workshop. These workshops will be held in the Gathering Space. For more information, please contact Norma Kohl.



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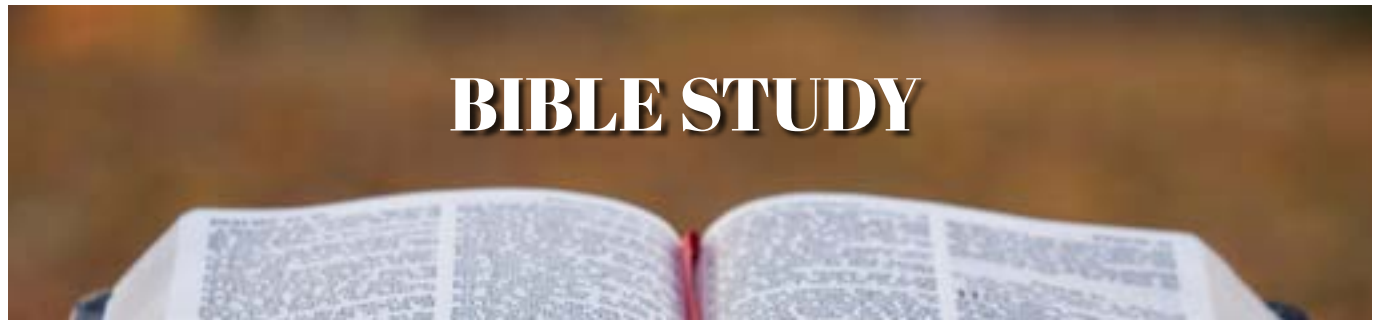


## Local Missions

We are looking for a few volunteers to help serve the Triangle Ministry meal on Monday, July 1st. The meal will be served in the Brittingham Apartments located at 755 Braxton Place in Madison. The meal is served from 5-6pm but we generally try to arrive there between 4-4:15pm to get set up. We are usually on our way home by 6:30pm. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Kristin Hildebrandt for more details at 608-695-4304. Thank you!

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### Men's bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC men's bible study group as we delve into God's Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, July 6th in room 125.**

Interested? Have questions?

Please contact Jeff Gehrke at

[jeffgehrke59@gmail.com](mailto:jeffgehrke59@gmail.com) or Scott Potts at [scottalan23@hotmail.com](mailto:scottalan23@hotmail.com)

### Women's bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC women's bible study group as we delve into God's Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, July 6th in room 210.**

Interested? Have questions?

Please contact Sheri Gehrke at

[sherilgehrke@gmail.com](mailto:sherilgehrke@gmail.com).

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## HS Summer Camp - Final Call

HS Summer Festival Camp - July 7 – 10, 2024 (Sunday – Wednesday)  
Gustavus Adolphus College – Saint Peter, MN  
<https://summerfestivalcamp.com/>



High schoolers, incoming freshmen, & friends –

Our McFarland crew is up to 18; and we still have time and plenty of room for more. Our group is a mix of members and non-members; all are welcome.

Summer Festival Camp is 4 fast-paced fun days to both grow friendships and grow in faith! Over the past couple of decades, hundreds of McFarland students have made lifelong memories at this camp experience. Invite your friends; pick your dorm roommate and jump on-board! Tons of fun, great food, and an inspiring experience for all!

**TO REGISTER CLICK “[HERE](#)”:** Complete the simple registration form and return to me or the church office with \$375 payment by Monday, July 1.

*If ANY student needs financial assistance, simply complete and return the registration page, and MLC youth scholarship funds will cover fees.*

We will travel via coach bus; we have plenty of room. Feel free to connect with me if you have any questions. <>< Chris (608.444.3604)

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## Book Club Schedule

The book club **meets on the third Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am** at the Skaaen Village Clubhouse. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Ackley at 608-838-3329. Hope to see you there.

**July 16:** *Life on the Mississippi* by Mark Twain

**August 20:** *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

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## Financial Summary

As of May 31, 2024

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
	11 Months	11 Months
Income	\$1,200,921	\$1,184,528
Expenses	\$1,220,698	\$1,068,911
Net Income/(Loss)	\$(19,777)	\$115,616
Mortgage Balance		
Outstanding	\$814,892	\$766,468
	As of 6/30/23	As of 5/31/24

Budget Forum in Family Life Center on Sunday, July 14, 2024 at 9:00 am.

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## Looking Forward - Annual Meeting - July 28

Our annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 28, following the 10:00 am worship service. We'll review the past year with reports from our Pastors, staff members and committees. We'll consider an amendment of our congregation's constitution, and we'll look forward to ways that we can continue to fulfill our mission in 2024-2025. We'll also elect new Council members, approve our 2024-2025 budget, and discuss other issues needing congregation approval. Please plan to attend to CELEBRATE the past, to PLAN for the future, and to THANK GOD for so richly blessing our congregation! (And there will be treats!)



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