



# McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Join us for Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024

Sun. 8 am Worship

Sun. 10 am Worship & Facebook Live

# 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](#)

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## No Saturday Service, May 18

There will be no Saturday evening worship service on May 18.  
Pastor Kelli will be at the annual synod event, Synod Assembly.



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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

# WEEKLY

## *Sneak Peek*

### Weekly Calendar

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### Greetings from CLM

The final week of preschool has arrived! On Thursday and Monday, we had our final programs and on everyone's last day we are celebrating by having donut picnics! As always, this year has gone by very quickly and it is so much fun to see children grow in so many ways, including their spiritual growth. I will miss my morning walks back and forth from Rainbow South, and our mini-discussions about God's world. I will especially miss the times we shared in worship together, their questions, and their comments. Evolving faith is a miracle.



I would like to add some more people to thank for their ongoing support to CLM. A big thanks goes to Allison Kramper for leading our PGO group. She has spent hours organizing fund raising events for CLM. We are so thankful to Pastor Kelli and Chris Landerud for leading weekly worship to CLM Preschool classes and for Chris's help in the music ministry. We are blessed that Pastor Peter will soon arrive and has already expressed excitement and support for the ministry of CLM. We are thankful to all of the families who have and will continue to support us.

CLM would not be what it is without its amazing and dedicated teaching staff. I believe we are blessed with outstanding experts in the field of early childhood development who are compassionate and professionals in their field.

And a big thank you to all of you, members and friends of MLC, who have supported this ministry for so many years. CLM has gone through many changes, but the mission remains the same. Bringing the good news of Jesus to children, while providing them the best opportunity in early learning remains our core belief. Because of you, the mission and witness continue

In gratitude for my siblings in faith,  
Deb

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## HS Graduate Recognition Weekend

June 1st & 2nd at All Three Worship Services

On June 1st & 2nd at our regular worship services, MLC will be recognizing and celebrating high school seniors and the milestone of graduation. Through message, music, and prayer – our worship time together will lift up our students, teachers, the accomplishment of graduation, and this new beginning. All are invited to attend.



*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord . . .  
to give you a future with hope. - Jeremiah 29:11*

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# Welcome

## Welcoming Pastor Peter

Our congregation will be celebrating the arrival of Pastor Peter Erickson as our new senior pastor this week! Pastor Peter will be joining us in worship on Sunday, May 19, at both the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services. (The Saturday worship service on May 18 will not be held because Pastor Kelli will be attending the Synod convention scheduled for that day.) A small celebration to welcome Pastor Peter will be held following both the 8:00 am and 10:00 am worship services this Sunday, May 19, in the Family Life Center.

Pastor Peter's first day in our church offices will be on Monday, May 20. Plans are being made to help Pastor Peter acquaint himself with our congregation, including our mission, our ministries, our staff, and our administrative processes. Pastor Peter's email, phone contact information, and office schedule will be shared as soon as they're available.

Pastor Peter's installation as our Senior Pastor is scheduled for Sunday, June 30, at 9:00 am. In order for all our members to participate in the installation, we will be having only one worship service at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 30. (There will be no Saturday evening service, and no services at 8:00 am and 10:00 am on Sunday.) Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe from the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin-ELCA will join us in worship that

day and will officiate at Pastor Peter's installation. Following the installation service, a welcome celebration will be held in the Family Life Center. More details will be shared as plans are finalized.

We THANK GOD for the opportunity to welcome Pastor Peter into our congregation and we look forward to working with him in service to our Lord. Please keep Pastor Peter, his family, and our congregation in your prayers!

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## **Celebrating on Sunday, May 19**

To welcome Pastor Peter and to provide an initial opportunity to get to meet him, we are planning two small celebrations for Sunday, May 19. Both events will be held in the Family Life Center, treats will be furnished, and everyone is invited to attend! One event will be held following the 8:00 am worship service, and a second event will be held following the 10:00 am

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## **Name Tags**

Laminated name tags for members are available on the kiosk in our gathering space. In order to help Pastor Peter (and everyone else!) get familiar with names and faces, we are asking members to PLEASE BEGIN WEARING YOUR NAME TAGS – to worship, to meetings, to church celebrations and gatherings. If you do not have a name tag, or if you need a new name tag, please contact Heather Wedan in our church office. Thank you!



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## Photo Exhibit

In honor of the arrival of Pastor Peter Erickson, a photo exhibit has been installed in one of the display cabinets in the Gathering Space near the north stairwell. The exhibit includes photos of all 20 ordained ministers (not including interim and visiting pastors) that have served the McFarland Lutheran Church since 1867. Pastor Erickson is our 21st minister. Please stop by and enjoy the exhibit.

~Ron Larson, MLC archivist/historian.



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## Local Missions Brat Fest May 15th Update

Please join the Local Missions Committee and volunteer at the Madison Brat Fest on Saturday, May 25 between 10am-2pm, or Sunday May 26th from 1pm to 5:30 pm. Brat Fest is **now donating to McFarland Lutheran Church \$12 per hour for each volunteer hour you serve, which is almost \$50 per shift being donated to McFarland Lutheran Church!** Check-in is 20 minutes prior to your shift. **To volunteer, sign up on-line by using the Brat Fest sign up site [here](#).**

Brat Fest is in super need of volunteers for the Sunday 1 pm to 5:30 pm shift, so if you are interested and available...



Minimum age to volunteer is 14. Volunteers receive a yellow Brat Fest t-shirt, coupon good for a free food item and also a free scoop of Chocolate Shoppe ice cream. If you would like to go as a group from church or if you have any questions or have problems signing up, please contact Paul Hundt at (608) 225 - 0377 or [hundtsi1@yahoo.com](mailto:hundtsi1@yahoo.com) **THIS IS THE MOST FUN THAT YOU WILL HAVE WEARING A YELLOW TEE SHIRT!** We look forward to seeing you there for lots of fun, comradery, laughter and giving to the McFarland Lutheran Church family.



## Update on Sanctuary Projectors

The projectors in our sanctuary play an important role in helping everyone participate in all aspects of our worship services. The current projectors are approximately ten years old, and one is not working at all. The model of these projectors is no longer being manufactured and repairing them is no longer a viable option. We received bids from vendors to purchase and install new projectors, and we are in the process of accepting one of these proposals. The new projectors will provide significantly brighter displays and will also have a significantly increased anticipated life span. Once the proposal is accepted, it's anticipated installation of the new projectors can be accomplished in three to six weeks (hopefully by the end of June). The cost of purchasing and installing these two new projectors is just under \$20,000. This is one of the "unexpected expenses" that periodically arise and is not covered by currently budgeted funds dedicated to "Properties". Generous members are stepping forward to help cover these expenses, and we owe them our SINCERE THANKS! Also, THANK YOU to Chris Landerud and Ron Vandenburg who both have devoted a lot of time and expertise to make this purchase possible!

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## Book Club Schedule

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

**May 21:** *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell

**June 18:** *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann

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## Outreach For World Hope

Guatemala Mission Trip – June 17-22, 2024

What: **Guatemala Mission Trip**

Serving, Building Community, & Assisting with Medical Clinics,

Distributing: food, water filters, clothing, & toys

Planting Fruit Trees, Installing Woodburning Stoves, Light Construction,

Travel, Sightseeing, etc.  
www.outreachforworldhope.org

When: **June 17 - 22, 2024 (Monday – Saturday)**

Who: **Adults & Students (14+ years old) able & willing to serve**

Anyone under 18 must accompanied by a parent

**Participants from around the Dane County area will assemble a team of 20-30 people.\***

*\*Note: This June mission trip opportunity is provided by Outreach for World Hope. This particular trip is not sponsored by MLC or MLC Youth Programming. FYI – MLC is planning its 3rd Youth & Family Mission Trip for January 16-21, 2025.*

Where: **Fly from: Chicago to Guatemala City**

**Stay at:** Maria de Teresa Hotel in Chiquimula

**Serve in:** Jocotán – rural villages (southeast Guatemala)

Cost: **\$1,800 per person**

How: **To register, contact Kim Tews at Outreach for World Hope:**

**ktews@restainohomes.com or (608) 575-2746**

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## Save The Date

Vacation Bible School 2024! Save the Date! VBS will be held July 22nd through July 25th. More information to come.

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