

Sion's Vineyard

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Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

In the interest of brevity, it has been requested that we keep the Prayer List in the Bulletin, and mentioned during services, for people who are experiencing immediate health issues and not those with chronic health issues. However, we want to continue to remember all who are experiencing health problems in their lives in our prayers. Therefore, we are now going to list everyone to remember in your prayers on the website and newsletter. **If you have asked for someone to be on the prayer list and they are doing better or can even be removed, please Geri know so she can keep the list updated.**

Please pray for † Dianne Rice † Dan Remer † Tom Swanson † Terri Christopherson † Eddie Weleski † Dale Van Dale † Darlene Carlson † Velva Larter † Jessie Muir † Tom Brownrigg † Erich Hartwig † Virginia Coffield † Chris Danzl † Jeff Christiansen † Dick Olson † Owen & Janet Swenson † Owen Swenson † Galen Schultz † Ann Lasky † Audrey Hartje † Landon Labine † Wyatt Brusseau †

† Armed Forces † our Law Enforcement † our First Responders † our Health Care Workers †

Let's also pray for wisdom for all world leaders in the time of this world-wide health pandemic and for all who have contracted the Corona Virus that God lays healing hands upon them and they are able to make a successful recovery.

IN MEMORY: Please keep families and friends of the following in your prayers:

† Peg Carpenter † Henrietta Schultz (Eileen Bernstrom's mother) † Brett Anderson † Kevin Olson †

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A Message from Pastor Andy

Greetings Sion Lutheran Church!

It is great to finally be here with you all, and I am so excited to get to visit with and get to know you all, which means it is only appropriate that I share a bit about me as well. I am not sure how these get to know you letters or messages are supposed to go, so I am going to give it a shot and we can get to know each other more as the days go by! How does that sound?

Hopefully, you said, "Good!" and have continued to read these words, in which case let's get started!

My name is Andy Graves and I just moved to Hallock, Minnesota with my wife Megan, who is the new pastor of the Grace-Red River Parish, and our son Walter who is almost 3 years old (October 23). We moved here from Northeast Iowa, where my wife was a pastor for 5 years and I was going to school to become a pastor. I just graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary in May, was ordained in June, and have arrived to start serving as your pastor this past week.

Outside of being a parent of an almost three-year-old, I am really in the market for some hobbies. I have been in school so much that reading and writing papers have really been the only thing that have kept my mind busy. Don't get me wrong, I really enjoy reading and writing, but there comes a time in everybody's life when they need to explore new areas of activity and I'm in that zone. I love to go for walks, sight seeing and all kinds of low-level outdoors activities, and would be interested in learning more about what this area of the world has to offer. When I am inside, I collect English Bulldog knick-knacks, drink Root Beer, and listen to a lot of music. If any of these things fit your fancy, let me know and we can talk engage together!

I don't want to give away too much right from the start, so I'll leave it there for now. I am sure we will find lots of things to talk about, and I hope that you will invite me to participate in the activities that you have going on in your lives as well. That way we can grow in our faith and life together, as the body of Christ.

This has been a whirlwind of happenings, I just dropped some random facts on you, and I want you to know that I am excited to be a part of this church and community. As such I feel it is important to stay grounded in prayer, so we pray these words together as we begin our new journey:

Let us pray.

O God of our labor, we give you thanks for the gifts of your Spirit poured out on your people. We pray, as we begin this new work, that it may help to fulfill our calling and purpose in this life, for the sake of the world you love. May God who loves us and calls us into meaningful work, walk with us as we move forward into a future filled with hope. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen.

LAWNMOWING

Thank you everyone who has signed up to mow. If you have signed up for the Peterson Kids, they will contact you after they have mowed for payment. It is \$25 each time - typically 1 time per week if needed.

Week of Aug 1:	Lorelei Peterson (Peterson Kids)		Week of Sept 5:	Todd Nelson (Peterson Kids)
Week of Aug 8:	Gary Rice		Week of Sept 12:	Ken Peterson (Peterson Kids)
Week of Aug 15:	Marge Peterson (Peterson Kids)		Week of Sept 19:	Tim Peterson (Peterson Kids)
Week of Aug 22:	Clara Strege (Peterson Kids)			
Week of Aug 29:	Kevin Johnson (Peterson Kids)			

DONATIONS VIA VENMO

Sion Lutheran now has Venmo! For those of you who don't know what Venmo is, it's an app that allows one to transfer money from one person/entity to another. Very handy in our distance living, as well as sending funds to college students, buying stuff online, etc.

Now you can make your donations to Sion Lutheran through this app as well. The account name is attached below in a screenshot. If



you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask. This goes directly to Sion's Bank Account.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1) Coffee: STUVWXYZ 9:30AM Worship MOW: Lorelei Peterson (Peterson Kids)	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)	7)
8) Coffee: ABCDE 9:30AM Worship MOW: Gary Rice	9)	10)	11) 5:30PM Council Mtg	12)	13)	14)
15) Coffee: FGHIJ MOW: Marge Peterson (Peterson Kids)	16)	17)	18)	19)	20)	21)
22) Coffee: KLMN 9:30AM Worship MOW: Clara Strge (Peterson Kids)	23)	24) Newsletter Items Due	25)	26)	27)	28)
29) Coffee: OQR 9:30AM Worship MOW: Kevin Johnson (Peterson Kids)	30)	31)				