



HILSEN

April 2020



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Pastor's Page



Rev. Gena Maria Koeberl

As I write this article I am reading a Star Tribune article:

(Star Tribune 3-26-2020 "Tracking coronavirus in Minnesota" By Matt DeLong & C.J. Sinner Star Tribune staff writers)

Hundreds of cases of coronavirus have been identified in Minnesota since the first confirmed case was reported March 6 in Ramsey County by the Minnesota Department of Health. Most of the confirmed cases have been concentrated in the Twin Cities metro area, though the number of cases in other parts of the state continues to grow. Two COVID-19 patients have died, both in Ramsey County. Patients range in age from six months to 94 years old, Gov. Tim Walz said March 25. In about 85% of cases, the patient experiences mild symptoms that do not require hospitalization, Walz said.

As Grateful Dead say in "Truckin" - "Lately it occurs to me / What a long strange trip it's been."

What a long, strange week it's been. We are not meeting in groups larger than 5 or 10. Churches have closed physical gatherings, although we are still meeting virtually, digitally, through texting, FaceBook, Zoom, phone calls, and a plethora of creative modes and means. Tomorrow we begin a 10 day shelter in place and the country is praying as we've not prayed since the first week after 9/11.

We've never done this before, at least not since 1918 when World War I claimed an estimated 16 million lives and the influenza epidemic that swept the world in 1918 killed an estimated **50 million people**. One fifth of the world's population was attacked by this deadly virus. Within months, it had killed more people than any other illness in recorded history. Good news: it's not 1918 when the concept of virus was barely comprehended. We have learned little more since then. We know the importance of CDC recommendations to socially distance for the love of neighbor and self; to practice good hygiene, cleaning and disinfecting surfaces. And yet, this is only the very beginning of a long, strange trip and we've never done this before. Here's what I know today:

Council will meet tonight (3/26/2020) remotely via Zoom to discuss April plans and longer-term preparations. We've never done this before.

I am posting regularly to the facebook.com/danebodlutheran with updates, links to activities for faith formation at home, devotionals, or a little silliness to keep our connections alive and our spirits lifted. We've never done this before.

My worship team of Marijane Borreson on music and Jessica Merrill on video are working hard to produce Holy Week videos and whatever crazy idea I come up with as we proceed through the month. We've never done this before.

I am interviewing local people on the front line of COVID-19 through Zoom to share their knowledge and faith, then posting these videos as part of our Online Worship Experience available at danebodlutheran.org or facebook.com/danebodlutheran or our Danebod YouTube Channel (yeah Danebod has a YouTube channel!). We've never done this before.



Pastor's Page –continued

Rev. Gena Maria Koeberl

Each Sunday, in addition to the knowledge and faith interviews, I am providing a video of worship meditation with prayers, scripture, and a thoughtful reflection. Occasionally there is a hymn or solo for reflection music. All available at danebodlutheran.org, [facebook.com/danebodlutheran](https://www.facebook.com/danebodlutheran) or YouTube (Danebod Lutheran). We've never done this before.

Staff is working remotely for our safety and yours. But you can still reach us through email: danebodlutheran@gmail.com (for Jessica or Tami); pastordanebod@gmail.com (for pastor). And danebodolkschool@gmail.com for Karen. We've never done this before.

The church is still functioning and we depend even more now than ever on your faithful giving.

Please consider filling out the paperwork to set up online giving or mailing in checks. We will still be processing bills and depositing tithes as we are very actively ministering to the community and world wide web. We've never done this before.

Danebod and Alliance churches have provide 3 iPads to residents at Sunrise Nursing Home and Danebod Village so they may connect with people in the community for 20 minute video messaging appointments through a designated Facebook account. We've never done this before.

We are building the plane as we are flying it. Please be patient with us and send some encouragement and prayers, because we've never done this before.

How are you doing? Are you feeling isolated, overwhelmed, more connected than ever before? These are strange times, and this is just the beginning. And yet this is only a time and a season. I've been reading the book of Ecclesiastes lately because it speaks of fluidness of time, the unpredictable nature of all we think is certain, and living in the unknown. This is a season, be it a long strange trip. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

² a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; ³ a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; ⁴ a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; ⁵ a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; ⁶ a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; ⁷ a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; ⁸ a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

Minutes for Danebod Church Council

March 10, 2020

PRESENT: Lena Burckhardt, Natalie Jerzak, Harlan Petersen (VP), Joan Jagt, Jarod Hansen, Carol Ekberg, Pastor Gena Maria Koeberl, and Julie Kent (Secretary)

NOT PRESENT: Tami Nelson (Treasurer), Joy Schak, & Jim Johansen (President).

At 7:09pm the meeting was called to order by Harlan Petersen and a quorum was established with a motion by Lena, seconded by Joan, and carried.

Additions to Agenda. (See New Business #2-#7/)

Presentation on Shetek Bible Camp by Sandy Ludeman. Capital Campaign Drive. Discussion on individual and congregational gifts. Put information in the Hilsen to promote the Capital Campaign. We were given a booklet with more information and parts of that will be put in the Hilsen.

REPORTS:

1. Secretary's report for February was presented . MSC to approve February minutes by Joan and Natalie.
2. Treasurer's report for February was presented and discussed. MSC to approve February's report by Natalie and Pastor Gena Maria.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Church speaker/hearing system. Done.
2. Parsonage Deck update. \$8,000-\$10,000 to use composite boards. Railing on 3 sides with opening to access parsonage. Discussion held. To be revisited at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pastor's Report. Rotation Round Robin for Lenten Services. Nursing Home and Village visits were done.
2. Easter. Easter Lily requests will be done by WELCA to get into the Hilsen and what flowers to order.
3. 3 Day Camp. Committee would like to purchase a 9 square game. Cost is about \$800. Committee is asking for possible funding assistance for this. Motion to buy the 9 Square game out of undesignated memorial funds made by Harlan, seconded by Carol, and carried.
4. Virus planning during church services. Need a plan to stop shaking hands. Plans to be more restrictive and not pass germs around during the flu season. Council was happy with how it was handled at Sunday's church service by giving congregation a choice to shake hands or just wave.
5. Copier. A & B Business would like our business for a new package for a copier. They would like to come to a council meeting to discuss this with us. Would like for them to come visit us at our April meeting.
6. World Book of Song. Anita Young asked about more copies of this song book.
7. Pastor request vacation from May 22 nd – 31 st .

Minutes for Danebod Church Council-continued

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration (Julie Kent, Joan Jagt, and Harlan Petersen) – Performance Evaluation has been put together. It is a 2 page form that includes areas of improvement and also for goals for the year. This will be done for Pastor, secretary, Folk School Caretaker, and Treasurer.

Property (Jarod Hansen) – Emergency door facing East in church may need some assistance for leakage.

Cemetery (Jim Johansen) – no report.

Parish Education & Youth Ministry (Lena Burckhardt) – Sunday school teachers are filled through the year. The kids will be singing on Palm Sunday with noisy offering. Had a Food, Fun, and Fellowship and it was fun. Fire drill was done last Sunday.

Outreach & Stewardship (Natalie Madsen) – Working on Confirmation numbers for cake so will know more later.

Worship & Music (Carol Ekberg) – Met since last meeting and picked songs for the next 3 months.

Folk School (Joy Schak) – Blue Jean Sunday will be April 19th with a rain day of May 3rd. The Church Council would like for the Caretaker to be present to direct traffic and organize activities. Folk School is going to have someone look at the situation of the benches and whether we need new ones. Discussed an elevator at Folk School instead of the ramp so all is on hold for now. Folk School dining room floor to be replace the floor possibly. Looking at purchasing some more white chairs to put in the lecture hall to replace the desk chairs.

Financial Advisory (Harlan Petersen) – no report.

Communion Assistant, devotion, and Lunch for April – Joan Jagt

The next meeting is Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00pm.

MSC for adjournment at 9:27pm by Joan and Natalie.

Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Kent

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Danebod Lutheran Church

As of February 29 2020

Budget Year to Date 27,744.00
General Fund Revenue to date 19,148.25 Includes Loose, parish ed. & donations
Amount Under Budget to date **(8595.75)**

Envelopes by month-To meet budget collections should be 13,872 per month

February 10,641.00

Envelopes for past 4 years as of January 31

2019	2018	2017	2016
12,760.93	8,383.00	11,747.00	13,050.00



BREEZE & YOU!

The Danebod Church is making a change in their database system to become more user friendly for our members.

In the next few weeks, those of you that have emails in our current system will receive an invite to log on to your new breeze account. You can **update your information, add a family picture, see ministry team schedule**, and even check out your **YTD contributions**.

If you wish to receive an email invitation, simply email your first & last name to danebodlutheran@gmail.com and we will get you added.

We will be creating a new church photo directory through this system. So, in order to do this-**we NEED your picture!** There are a few ways we can get your photo into the directory, please choose the way that is easiest for you:

1. Drop off a personal photo at the church office with a note stating who is who in the photo.
2. Text your picture to 507-469-4198, include your name.
3. Email your photo to danebodlutheran@gmail.com
4. Log into your own breeze account and upload your photo to your profile.
5. Don't have a photo you want to use? Stop by the church office M-Th from 1-4pm and we will take a picture for you.



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EMAIL YOUR REQUESTS TO

DANEBODLUTHERAN@GMAIL.COM



Due to the Covid 19 Virus we have had to change the way we do church.....

To Connect:

Facebook(@DanebodLutheran) or You Tube(@DanebodLutheran)

Links available at danebodlutheran.org

To Worship:

We have ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES at www.danebodluthern.org

To Give:

Fill out the automatic deduction form to have your gifts deposited electronically

Or

Mail your tithes and offerings to : Danebod, 140 Danebod Court Tyler, MN 56178

Notices

At this time, all Church & Folk School events for April have been cancelled. Church office closed until further notice due to Covid19.

The Folk School is requesting anyone with extra copies of World of Psalm songbook to consider donating to the Folk School. If so, please bring them to the office for donation. Thank you!

The Danebod Church Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 5th.
2:00-4:00/Supper from 4:00-6:00/ Program at 6:00.

Please take time to add your name to the Missionary Support Calendar!



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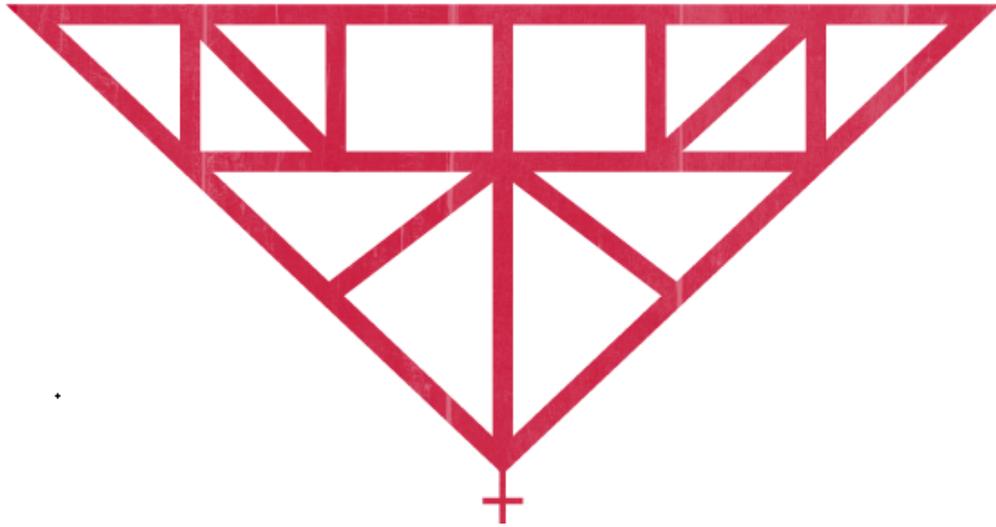
Thu

Fri

Sat

			1 John Dam	2 Diane Gordon Daryl Hook Avery Pease	3	4 Laurie Johansen Donald Petersen
5 Palm Sunday Paul Borresen Paul Ekema	6 Betty Jorgensen	7	8 Beva Vos	9 Maundy Thursday	10 Good Friday Linda Ballard	11
12 Easter Sunday Julie Kent Levi Tommeraasen	13	14	15 Katy Vos	16	17 Donna Svendsen Kathy Wilmes	18
19 Donald Kuhn	20	21	22	23 Paul Schraam	24	25
26	27 Gretchen Jensen	28 Chloe Hess	29 Landen Buse Anthony Moreno	30 Stacy O'Leary Kay Wooge		

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