



HILSEN

JUNE 2026



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Returning to a World of Song

A Message from Pastor Megan

It's a common icebreaker question: "If you could have one superpower, what would it be?" As I do most things, I've given this too much thought. On the one hand, I'm wholeheartedly with the folks who would immediately seize the ability to fly. After all, wouldn't it be great to take the scenic route from point A to point B without stopping at the pump? Then again, would I be able to carry my things and soar at the same time? How long could I go without having to put an orange slow-moving triangle of shame on my behind? Perhaps the ability to teleport would simplify things. On the other hand, couldn't I think of a superpower more beneficial to others? Is the power to alleviate and heal all human suffering on the table, or did Jesus already call dibs on that one?

Long story short (and lots of over-thinking later), if I could have one superpower, I really just wish I could sing. I would so love to be able to carry a tune beyond the questionable five notes I can squeak out now (on a good day, that is). I know what you choir cheerleaders would say: "everyone can sing!" but seriously, if you'd faked your way through *Amazing Grace* as many times as I have or watched your dog literally run away whenever you accompany the radio, you'd know singing is not a universal gift.

Singing is a superpower. It has the ability to unite, calm, and choreograph people across space and time. Case in point: The largest simultaneous event to date was a sing-a-long involving 293,978 participants at 1,616 locations throughout the UK who sang *Lean on Me*. Within 10 seconds of singing, scientists monitoring the physiology of the experience discovered that 90 percent of the massive choir had synchronized heart beats. Singing is also one of the most consistently proven preventative care measures for warding off depression, dementia, Alzheimer's, and a host of other cognitive diseases, oftentimes just as or even more effectively than pharmaceuticals and other medical interventions. None of this should come as any surprise to those who grew up under the influences of the likes of Martin Luther who believed "Next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise" or Bishop NFS Grundtvig who insisted the world would be ten times happier, if only we could all sing from the same songbook.

Enter here, *A World of Song*. Humbly put, this hymnal, developed with the help of Danebod's Pr. Enok Mortensen, is one such attempt to collect "the hopes and faiths and experiences of mankind in the songs of yesterday, born anew...for expressing current, meaningful living" ("Forward" to the 2nd edition). This treasury of songs covers everything from the philosophies of folk life to the stories of Jesus' life, with tunes for the ordinary times of day as well as the milestones from birth to death. With selections like "Loch Lomond" and "The Danish Hiking Song," it's as universal as it is Danish. *A World of Song* is a popular favorite for our Family Camps and the Fall Folk Meeting, with an effect I can only describe as communal and cathartic. This is my prayerful intent behind bringing *A World of Song* into the sanctuary this summer. I'm no super hero. I still can't sing. But boy oh boy, if I could have one superpower, it would be to lift you up, my beloved community, with notes of joy, grace, love, and Truth this summer sabbath.

And so, won't you please join me? As you are able, let us together rise and sing.



Minutes for Danebod Church Council

May 5, 2026

PRESENT: Erik Jorgensen (President), Kristi Petersen (Sec.), Ivan Petersen (VP), Garth Jensen, Jackie Hess, Deb Sinding, Heather Furan (Treas.), Pastor Megan Eide, Cindy Dunham

ABSENT: Rick Nielsen, Laurie Johansen

At 6:35 PM the meeting was called to order by Erik Jorgensen and a quorum was established.

Devotions - talked about 2 Danish words meaning "to play"

Additions to agenda:

- New business: Steeple project (Jackie)
- New business: Website (Deb)
- Old business: Parish hall (Erik)

Secretary's report from April was presented – MSC to approve minutes made by Ivan, Jackie 2nd

Treasurer's report from April was presented – MSC to approve report made by Ivan, Jackie 2nd

Pastor's report: Cakes have been ordered for Confirmation & Graduation Sundays, and gifts for confirmands have been ordered. Faith & Fit started back up today. Pastor Megan is planning to start a youth group/Bible study for rising 9th-12th graders this summer, and tentatively thinking a couple Sunday evenings per month.

Blue Jean Wednesday is tomorrow - bring rakes, gloves, etc. Indoor jobs are also available for those who can't or don't want to be outside.

3-Day Camp is June 2-4: have approximately 35 kids signed up so far, with a goal of around 60

Grandparents' Camp is June 8-9: have 12 signed up so far

Parish Hall:

- Working on ordering chairs
- Kitchen flooring should be done by mid-May
- Tables should arrive May 20

Steeple project: Geske chose not to do the job. We are reaching out to other contractors to do this work.

Website: Lodge fees will be updated this week. Wording will be added that EV charging needs to be done where the campers hook up (not with extension cord coming from Lodge). Deb will also add the donation policy to the website.

Constitution review: the Council looked through the proposed changes, and will meet one more time with the Constitution committee before the semi-annual meeting

Committee Reports:

Admin: Bob is taking a full-time position with the wind towers and has resigned from the maintenance position. Folk School will reconvene with Brenda to assess next steps.

Property: Garth changed lightbulb in narthex; Josh Keifer expressed interest in learning how to reset the bell clock when needed. Property committee will be meeting next week.

Cemetery: Committee met – have one bid for mowing this summer – Cade Drake

Parish Ed: Senior High Youth Group starting up this summer; had last Jump For Jesus meeting last week; 3-Day & Gran camp coming up, as well as Confirmation and Grad Sundays

Outreach: Will work on rewriting portion in Constitution; planning to have committee get together in summer for planning

Worship & Music: Music Sunday went over well; Choir sings 5/10, then done for the year

Folk School: Wood work by Chuck Gackstetter ; Sewer was checked ; Tate or other fire personnel will be here the first day of each camp to go over fire plan ; Cabinets are here for new coffee maker ; Steps out front will be cleaned and recoated tomorrow ; Deb will find roses for landscaping ; A/C units were installed and are working

Financial advisory: nothing to report

Next meeting is June 9 at 6:30

MSC for adjournment at 9:07 – Ivan, Erik 2nd

Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Petersen

Folk School Committee Meeting Minutes – May 4th, 2026

Meeting called to order at 6:02 PM.

Jerry opened with The Lord's Prayer.

Present: Jerry Bly – Chair, Mark Stage – Vice Chair, Pastor Megan, Deb Burckhardt, Margie Bornhoft, Arnie Dam, Curt Madsen, Jill Jaspersen, Brenda Knudson – FS Caretaker, Deb Sinding – Church Council Liaison

Absent: Olga Ekberg and JoAnn Peterson

Brenda's Updates

1. There will be 60+ participants at the SMAC Annual Artist Retreat on May 1st.
2. Mike Thomas turned on the water for upper floors and fountain outside.
3. Dean Brandt came and cleaned AC units and got the 2 new Kitchen AC units installed.
4. Mike Thomas completed the sewer project to the east by garage.
5. Chuck Gackstetter will be asked to finish trim work in basement bathroom.

Pastor's Updates

1. Registrations have started coming in:
 - 30 – 3 Day Camp
 - 12 – Grand Camp
2. Pastor enjoys getting more involved with camp leaders and Fall Folk Meeting leaders.
3. Faith & Fitness starting May 5th – May 28th in Gym Hall at 5:30-6:15 am then will be 6:15-7:00 am June 2nd – August 27th. This has been sponsored by Grandview University and she will be going to Grandview to give a presentation about our program for equipment.

April FS Financial Reports

MSC by Margie to approve April Financial Reports as presented and seconded by Arnie, Carried.

Church Council Updates

No report.

April FS Meeting Minutes

MSC by Mark to approve April Folk School Meeting Minutes as presented and seconded by Curt, Carried.

Upcoming May Rentals

1. May 1st – SMAC Annual Artist Retreat – 1 night using most buildings
2. May 23rd - 24th Lodge – 1 night
3. May 24th - Lodge Commons
4. May 29th – Lodge, 2-4 rooms - 1 night

****EV Charging rate is \$25.00 per time**** Margie will contact Trinity to have this added to the contract for renters and make sure she advises all renters of the charge and direct them to use the camper area hookups for charging vehicles.

Summer Event Dates

1. June Family Camp is June 21st – June 27th
2. July Family Camp is July 12th – July 18th
3. August Family Camp is August 2nd – August 8th
4. Danebod Fall Folk Meeting is August 19th – August 23rd

Sewer Repair Project Update

Mike Thomas has moved the sewer cleanout to alleviate the problem.

Kitchen AC Units Update

Two AC units have been installed by Dean Brandt and are operational.

Commercial Coffeemaker for FS Dining Hall

Cabinets are here and countertop is ordered and expected to be here next week.

Chuck Gackstetter will install. Mike Thomas will install water line for the coffeemaker.

Tyler Electric will provide any electrical work needed.

Folk School Front Steps Update

Meeting arranged for Wednesday, May 6th, with Stoneluxe Coatings (Sales Rep from Clarkfield, MN) to learn about their product and get an estimate for coating on front steps.

Campus Cleanup

Danebod Campus Cleanup Day was on May 6th.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME AND HELPED!

Other Business

1. A new American Flag is needed, as the one we got has been destroyed by our recent windy spring days. It survived only 6 weeks.

MSC by Arnie to adjourn at 7:35 PM and seconded by Deb Burckhardt, Carried.

Next Meeting will be Monday, June 1st at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Jaspersen

Danebod Lutheran Church

As of April 30, 2026

Budget Year to Date	\$ 65,776.66
<u>Actual Expenses Year to Date</u>	<u>\$ 54,127.02</u>
Amount Under Budget to Date	<u>\$ 11,649.64</u>

***Envelopes - \$58,178.01**
Parish ed., donations, loose and special service offerings, outreach - \$4,612.00

General Fund Revenue to date	\$62,790.01*
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General Fund Revenue needed monthly to meet budgeted expenses: \$16,444.16.

Monthly Envelopes

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
January	10,521.69	8,850.91
February	17,459.53	18,186.05
March	17,480.53	11,411.05
April	12,716.26	11,299.52
May		12,880.06
June		9,939.52
July		16,033.80
August		11,233.75
September		10,929.52
October		8,901.25
November		11,919.52
December		18,144.25
Total	<u>\$ 58,178.01</u>	<u>\$149,729.20</u>

Envelopes ONLY for past 4 years as of December 31, 2025

<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
		\$159,431.5	
\$149,729.20	\$158,138.96	7	\$128,811.08

PRAYER CONCERNS

Cheryl Holt (friend of Clark family)
Dawson (nephew of Bethanni and Matt Jobe)
Jalyn Burckhardt (granddaughter to Deb Burckhardt)

Harper Gravley
Lorry Conrad
Brian Martin
Vicki Stalvey
Kayla Sanderson

Condolences to the family and friends of Chris Nibbe, beloved father, husband, neighbor, and so much more. Blessed be his memory.

Condolences to the family and friends of Betty Jo Solberg, beloved by her neighbors. Blessed be her memory.



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If you are someone who donates to the church via **Thrivent**, we greatly appreciate your contributions. However, **please notify the church office with the following information: your name, contribution amount, and fund/program.** If this information isn't shared with the office, we aren't able to credit the donations back to you. Again, thank you! Danebod truly appreciates it!

MISSION SUPPORT

June 7th: In celebration of our church family from Troy, Gretchen, Morgan & Levi
June 14th: Danebod WELCA
June 21st: In honor of our grandchildren from Scott & Rhonda Johnson
June 28th: Love -Olga Ekberg

Thank You

Dear Danebod Folk School,

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of the American Red Cross of southern Minnesota, thank you for being a standby American Red Cross emergency shelter. We have been able to shelter and support our clients during disasters only with the generous help of facilities like yours. We are very grateful for your agreement to list your school as a standby emergency shelter location.

With thanks,

Samantha Best & SWMN Chapter

Everyone,

Thank you for the quilt. It's on my bed now. Another reminder of how lucky I am and glad to be back in the neighborhood!

Sincerely,

Alice Gregor

Thank you Danebod WELCA

The bouquet of white daises (my favorite flower) and pink carnations that was just beautiful arrived on my 90th birthday. What a beautiful gift to celebrate getting older.

Thank you so much,

Betty Jorgensen

Dear Danebod,

Thank you for supporting me in all of my faith journey and for the picture frame.

Thank you!

Harper P.

Danebod Folk Meeting

The 80th Annual Danebod Folk Meeting is planned for August 19-23.

The registration materials are now available on the website.

Praise be to God for this year's
confirmands and seniors!



Svea Drake
and
Harper
Petersen

Jens Drake,
Juhl Drake,
Tucker Gile,
Teigyn O'Leary,
Owen Petersen,
Brice Roelofs,
Levi Tommeraasen



2026 Program

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

2:00 P.M. – We are offering participants of the 2026 Danebod Folk Meeting a field trip to Kibble Equipment in Tyler. This John Deere Dealership will offer you the opportunity to get an up close and personal look at one of today's modern implement dealerships. The tour will give you a glimpse into the dynamics of a business that provides parts, service and sales of today's innovative John Deere machines. The dealership is just a short 10 minute walk west of the Kronborg Inn.

4:00 P.M. – First-time attendees meet at the front door of the Folk School for a tour of the campus.

5:15 P.M. – Welcome gathering for all attendees around the fountain and under the tent.

7:30 P.M. -- LECTURE – “1-Minute Lectures”



Lisa Kramme loves stories and will facilitate our opening night “1-minute lectures.” Do you have a passion for something you would like to share with the Folk Meeting? Maybe it is related to your career, your hobbies or interests. Perhaps a place you have visited. Stamp-collecting, dragonflies, climate crisis and welcoming refugees are some of the topics presented during the 1-minute lectures last year. That’s right – 1 minute (60 seconds) is all the time you have to present your topic. There will be a time for questions after all presenters are finished.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

9:30 A.M. -- REFLECTIONS



Pastor Megan Eide began her ministry at Danebod Lutheran Church in August 2023, after serving as a pastor in residency at St. Paul Lutheran Church (Davenport, IA) for two years. While Megan was born and raised in Bloomington, MN, her heart has been at home in Denmark since 2018 where she served for a semester as a pastoral intern with the United Methodist Church of Denmark. Megan is especially passionate about the spiritual wellbeing of kids and families, Danish language and culture, and supporting people of all ages through life’s transitions. When she is not zipping around the Danebod campus, you can likely find her out and about with her cocker spaniel, Nisse, as they go for hikes or serve as a therapy-dog team.

10:30 A.M. – LECTURE and DISCUSSION – “Denmark’s Person in Iowa”



Lynette Rasmussen will share insights into her role representing the Danish government in Iowa. She assists with passports and voting, supports the Danish Embassy in Washington, DC, and the Consulate General in Chicago, and serves as Denmark's local "feet on the ground," strengthening the connection between Denmark and the Danish-American community.

2:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. Experiential Learning Workshops

- A. Folk Dancing – Terry Pederson, Anita Young**
- B. Wood Carving – Alan Nielsen**
- C. Paper Cutting – Marilyn Gift**
- D. Poetry Writing – Barb Gardner**
- E. Life Drawing – Pixie Jensen**
- F. Camden Nature Walk – Alma Thomsen**

7:30 P.M. – LECTURE – “Meeting the Composer Face to Face: Understanding Style and Interpretation in the Music of Beethoven, Schubert, and Rachmaninov.”



Dr. Daniel Rieppel is a pianist, conductor and music historian. A Minnesota native of Austro-Hungarian and Norwegian descent, he holds Bachelor and Master of Music degrees in Piano Performance from the Cleveland Institute of Music and Indiana University and earned his Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Minnesota under Lydia Artymiw. This talk will center on the amorphous process by which we divine the intentions of the composer, understand their stylistic features and how they convey to us the various emotions they would like to express to their listeners. How we prepare ourselves as performers AND as listeners is part of the creative process, even though different composers have different means to "signal" to us their intimate language, each composer having their own "dialect" or "accent" of a language that spans from the beginnings of Western civilization. Dr. Rieppel's presentation will be a lecture-recital, meaning that there will be commentary with some musical examples and a short performance that will hopefully synthesize and illuminate some of the ideas discussed.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

9:30 A.M.-- REFLECTIONS



Susanna Bertelsen is proud of her Italian American heritage. She earned a BS in Nursing in 1968, following up thirty years later with a MS in Community Health. A life-long learner, after retiring from school nursing and faith community nursing, she completed a MA in Theology with Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction from St. Catherine University in 2017. Susanna currently serves as a part-time spiritual director at Loyola Spirituality Center in St. Paul, MN, as well as staying connected with Hopkins School District as a part-time Early Childhood Development Screener. Through her marriage to Poul, experiencing Danish culture firsthand, and living and working in Tanzania for six years during the 1970's, ecumenism and cross-cultural experiences have taught her important lessons of inclusion and diversity. Public Health Nursing for 50+ years has deepened her understanding of the complex physical, mental and spiritual needs of people in all stages of life.

10:30 A.M. – LECTURE and DISCUSSION – “Literacy, Legos and Learning”



Sonja Braucht is a garden-growing, yoga-loving, outdoor enthusiast from Beaver Creek, Minnesota. She previously taught middle school, holds a BS in Ecology and MEd in Education from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, and is now pursuing her PhD in Sustainability at the University of South Dakota. Her research explores how futures thinking, hope, language, and game-based approaches can strengthen sustainability literacy and empower educators and learners to engage meaningfully with future challenges.

2:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. Experiential Learning Workshops

- A. Folk Dancing – Terry Pederson, Anita Young
- B. Wood Carving – Alan Nielsen
- C. Paper Cutting – Marilyn Gift
- D. Poetry Writing – Barb Gardner
- G. Danish Pastry Making – Danebod pastry chefs
- H. Chess – John Masengarb

7:30 P.M. – LECTURE -- “Welcome to America, Ancestors: You’re Not in Kansas Anymore!”



Dr. Arne Kildegaard is Emeritus Professor of Economics & Management at the University of Minnesota Morris, holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Texas at Austin, and an M.A. in Latin American Studies from the University of Chicago. His presentation will link the “Wizard of Oz” story that we all know with current-day economics. He will examine the large wave of Danish immigration that took place in the decades following the American Civil War, noting that the macro environment they arrived in was characterized by almost 20 years of protracted deflation, punctuated by increasingly severe economic collapses. The “Wizard of Oz” story (L. Frank Baum, 1900) is actually a fairly sophisticated allegory of the major economic (monetary) and political currents of the age. We’ll revisit the history (and the book!) and try to tie it forward to monetary arrangements up to and including the recent rise of cryptocurrency.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

9:30 A.M. – REFLECTIONS



Reverend Dr. Andres Albertsen is a PhD in Systematic Theology from Luther Seminary with a dissertation on Love and Politics. He currently serves as pastor at Vinje Lutheran Church and Iglesia Luterana Paz y Esperanza, both in Willmar, MN. He is an immigrant from Argentina and is fluent in English, Spanish, and Danish. He was ordained as pastor in Denmark in 1991 and served the Lutheran Danish Church in Buenos Aires, Argentina, for 20 years before coming to the US in 2011.

10:30 A.M. – LECTURE and DISCUSSION – “Four Decades as a Political Operative: Wins, Losses & Lessons Learned”



Sue Tupper will share lessons learned from a number of high-profile campaigns she directed, including candidate races, tax measures and other issues brought to ballot. With her work encompassing efforts from the Pacific NW and Alaska – to the national and international stage - she will describe what it takes to put together a winning campaign structure and strategy, while shining a bright light upon the pivotal moments that have had a profound impact on how our politics are conducted.

2:00 P.M. -- STORY TIME



Richard Siemers, our favorite storyteller, will entertain us with another captivating, original tale. Richard is a freelance writer, most often for Minnesota’s The Land magazine.

3:30 P.M. – LECTURE – “Where Imagination Can Take You: Introducing the ‘Square Stories’ of Louis Jensen”



Dr. Lise Kildegaard, recently retired from many joyful years teaching English at Luther College, has been translating Danish author Louis Jensen’s “Square Stories” since 2008, when she met Jensen in Denmark. Between 1992 and 2016, this prolific author published 1001 “Square Stories” -- magical, lyrical and amusing little texts, each formatted in the shape of a square. In this interactive discussion, we’ll take a look at the wide variety of Jensen’s stories, and explore his distinctively Danish voice, while we practice exercising our own imaginations.

7:30 P.M. – Saturday Evening Sing-along



For four decades Dan Chouinard has been pianist and accordionist of choice for a who’s who of Twin Cities performers, an enabler of community singalongs and a writer of hit shows for public radio, concert hall and theatrical stage.

Dan attended St. John’s University in Collegeville, Minnesota, then taught French and Italian at the University of Minnesota for four years while getting established as a pianist and accompanist around Minneapolis and St. Paul. Beginning in 1994, his radio series *The Singer’s Voice* was broadcast live every Sunday evening over six years from the Dakota Jazz Club (then at Bandana Square St. Paul) on KBEM-FM, a.k.a. Jazz 88. He’s been a writer and host of shows, having created many live programs for Minnesota Public Radio, the MN Historical Society, Twin Cities Public Television and others.

Registration for Danebod Folk Meeting

August 19-23, 2026

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Street Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Emails _____

Phone _____ Phone _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

WELCOME! Are you a first-time participant? Yes No

1. Do you want to reserve a dorm room in the Folk School? Yes No

• Pillows, linens, and towels are furnished. Please bring your own toiletries.

• Second Floor rooms are available upon request, but for health reasons only please.

2. Do you require accessible housing (6 rooms available in Danebod Lodge)? Yes No

If yes, please call Registrar Joan Jagt at 507-829-7176.

The Danebod Lodge event fee is \$340 in addition to the full meeting registration fee.

3. Are you bringing a camper? (Electrical hook-ups available on campus.) Yes No

4. Do you plan to join the Wednesday field trip?* Yes No

Volunteer to Give a "One-Minute Lecture" Yes No **Name:** _____

Topic: _____

In addition to my registration fee, I am including a gift of \$_____ toward projects currently being considered for the Folk School, such as:

1. Commercial coffee maker for dining area

2. Electric chairlift for south stairway leading down to the dining room

3. Air-conditioner mini-split units for the 2nd and 3rd floor dormitory hallways

Total cost for these projects could be \$20,000-\$30,000. Any and all gifts are much appreciated!

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY – WE ARE EXPECTING A FULL HOUSE ON CAMPUS THIS YEAR!

Danebod Folk School

ATTN: FOLK MEETING

140 Danebod Court

Tyler, MN 56178

\$385 per person

Full refund if unable to attend

Registrar Phone: 507-247-5895

Circle Your Choices of Experiential Learning Workshops: See reverse side for workshop descriptions.

Thursday: Name 1: A B C D E F Friday: Name 1: A B C D G H

Name 2: A B C D E F Name 2: A B C D G H

* Our Wednesday afternoon field trip will take you to the Kibble Equipment company in Tyler. This John Deere Dealership will offer you the opportunity to get an up-close and personal look at the complex farm machinery used in agriculture today and give you a glimpse into the dynamics of a business that provides parts, service, and sales for today's innovative John Deere equipment. The dealership is just a short 10-minute walk west of the Kronborg Inn.

Choose Experiential Learning Workshops on Thursday and Friday afternoons

These four options will be available both days.

Choice A: FOLK DANCING -- "If you can walk, you can dance." Join long-time dance instructor **Terry Pederson** and pianist **Anita Young** in experiencing the joy of folk dancing. Day 1 will include circle and individual dances, gently walking and moving. Day 2 will include some Danish dances, quadrilles, and squares with a bit more enthusiasm.

Choice B: WOOD CARVING -- The class will be basic wood carving. The technique taught will be the Scandinavian figure carving style. The second day will include painting the figures. Instructor **Alan Nielsen** will let you know about knife purchases.

Choice C: PAPER CUTTING -- Participate in the art of cutting intricate paper designs for Christmas and other seasons using Annette Andersen's patterns. Instructor **Marilyn Gift** will provide all materials. Bring a pair of sharp scissors if you have them.

Choice D: POETRY WRITING -- Explore the hidden depth of your daily life by turning everyday objects, old memories, and forgotten experiences into vivid, rich poems. **Barb Gardner** will show you how to silence your inner critic and surprise you by setting free the words that have lingered within.

The four listed below are for one day only.

Choice E: LIFE DRAWING -- Thursday only: Learn the principles in basic drawing of the human figure; drawing from life with a human model to develop a sense of proportion and feel of movement. All supplies provided by **Pixie Jensen**. If you have taken one of Pixie's classes before, please bring your 3-ring binder as we will add to it!

Choice F: CAMDEN PARK NATURE WALK -- Thursday only: Hike at Camden State Park - exploring the history of Camden State Park with Jeremy Jensen, Park Ranger, or hiking with local park enthusiast, **Alma Thomsen**.

Choice G: DANISH PASTRY-MAKING -- Friday only: We all love to eat Danish coffee cake at Danebod! Join a team of Danebod pastry experts who will teach you how to make these treats using the best recipes we have. You will make almond, cherry, and apricot pastries to serve to all the Folk Meeting participants on Friday after your class.

Choice H: CHESS -- Friday only: **John Masengarb** will teach you how to set up the board, move the pieces, and how to use them to play the Larsen Opening, the Scandinavian Defense, and the Danish Gambit. You might not learn enough to be a Master, but perhaps enough to beat your grandkids!

DANEBOOD FOLK MEETING SCHEDULE

AUGUST 19-23, 2026

TIME	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7:00-7:45 GYM HALL		Yoga – bring your own mat	Yoga – bring your own mat	Yoga – bring your own mat	
7:30-8:30	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST
8:45-9:25 LECTURE HALL	Singing	Singing	Singing	Singing	
9:30-9:50	<i>Morning Reflections</i> Pastor Megan Eide	<i>Morning Reflections</i> Susanna Bertelsen	<i>Morning Reflections</i> Pastor Andres Albertsen	<i>Morning Reflections</i> Pastor Andres Albertsen	9:30 worship service with Danebod congregation
9:50	Morning Coffee	Morning Coffee	Morning Coffee	Morning Coffee	Folk Meeting Choir will join with Danebod Choir
10:30 LECTURE HALL		<i>Denmark's Person In Iowa</i> Lynette Rasmussen	<i>Literacy, Legos & Learning</i> Sonja Braucht	<i>Four Decades as a Political Operative: Wins, Losses and Lessons Learned</i> Sue Tupper	
12:00	REGISTRATION OPENS AT 12:00 PM	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	
1:00-1:45	2:00 -- John Deere dealership in Tyler Field Trip	Free Time or Breakout Sessions: Danish Lessons Choir Play chess Kubbe Open Discussion Book Discussion	Free Time or Breakout Sessions: Danish Lessons Choir Play Chess Kubbe Open Discussion Book Discussion	Free Time or Breakout Sessions: Danish Lessons Choir Play Chess Kubbe Open Discussion Book Discussion	
2:00 LECTURE HALL		Experiential Learning Workshops: Folk dancing (Terry P) Wood-carving (Alan N) Paper cutting (Marilyn G) Poetry (Barb G) Drawing (Pixie J) Camden Tour (Alma T)	Experiential Learning Workshops: Folk dancing (Terry P) Wood-carving (Alan N) Paper cutting (Marilyn G) Poetry (Barb G) Danish Pastry (Danebod pastry chefs) Learning chess (John M)	<i>Storytime</i> Richard Siemers Afternoon Coffee	
2:45	4:00 -- Campus tour for first time attendees				
3:30 LECTURE HALL	Gather around the fountain at 5:15 for the opening welcome	<i>Coffee break at your leisure</i>	<i>Coffee break at your leisure</i>	<i>"Where Imagination Can Take You: Introducing the 'Square Stories' of Louis Jensen"</i> Dr. Lise Kildegaard	
4:30		Informal Fellowship Hour under the trees – everyone welcome! If you choose, bring a beverage and/or appetizer to share.			
5:30	SUPPER	SUPPER	SUPPER	SUPPER	
6:45-7:15 LECTURE HALL	Singing	Singing	Singing	Singing	
7:30 CHURCH	<i>1-Minute Lectures</i> Lisa Kramme	<i>Meeting the Composer Face to Face: Beethoven, Schubert, & Rachmaninov</i> Dr. Daniel Rieppel	<i>Welcome to America, Ancestors: You're Not in Kansas Anymore!</i> Dr. Arne Kildegaard	Sing-along with Dan Chouinard	
8:45	Evening Coffee	Evening Coffee	Evening Coffee	Evening Coffee	

SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

WHO?

Open to rising 9th - 12th graders

Danebod members + friends!

Led by Pr. Megan with Jenna Gossen,
Adalia Metzger and Brooke Sanderson

WHEN?

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

Starts June 7th

7:30-8:30 PM at Danebod Church

WHAT?

A one hour hang out with...

- Snacks
- Games
- Devotion
- Bible time
- Field Trips and more!

RSVP to Pastor Megan

Check out the devotions app!



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LED BY MIRANDA VAN RULER

FAITH + FIT

Ladies! Strengthen your body and spirit in this twice-weekly exercise class for women. Use free weights, pilates balls, and resistance bands to build muscle, and use our daily devotions app and closing meditation to build faith!

- Open to teens and adults
- Please bring a mat, resistance bands, and weights if you have them. Some loans available upon request.
- Download d365 Daily Devotions app

TUES & THURS, DANEBOD GYM HALL

5:30-6:15 AM, MAY 5 – MAY 28

6:15-7:00 AM, JUNE 2 – AUG 27

\$10 per class OR \$130 for the season (34 classes)

The logo for the d365 Daily Devotions app, featuring the text 'd365' in a stylized font where the 'd' is blue, '3' is purple, '6' is orange, and '5' is green.

Call the Danebod Office to reserve your spot! 507-247-3000

Ministry Team Duties

JUNE 2026

	6/07 Communion	6/14	6/21 Communion	6/28
Lector:	Brenda Kirk	Don Buhl	Sharon Jensen	Heidi Hansen
Ushers:	Rick Nielsen Brenda Kirk	Don Buhl	Mike Hansen Jason Gylling Garth Jensen Sharon Jensen	Jarod Hansen & Family Reid Jorgensen
Communion:	Sonja Lund	X	Pam Hansen	X
Altar Guild:	April Thomas	April Thomas	Cynthia Dunham	Stacy Jorgensen
Flowers:	April Thomas	April Thomas	Cynthia Dunham	Stacy Jorgensen
Coffee Fellowship:	Norma Lundell	Susan Buhl Deb Burckhardt	Pam Hansen Danielle Gylling	Stacy Jorgensen Susan Buhl

June 2026

Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.

	1 6:00 PM Folk School Meeting	2 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit 3 Day Camp!	3 3 Day Camp!	4 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit 3 Day Camp!	5	6
7 9:30 Worship 10:30 Coffee In Stone Hall 7:30 Sr High Youth Group	8 Gran Camp	9 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit 6:30 P.M Church Council Meeting Gran Camp	10	11 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit	12	13
14 9:30 Worship 10:30 Coffee In Stone Hall	15	16 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit	17	18 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit	19	20
21 9:30 Worship 10:30 Coffee in Stone Hall June Family Camp 7:30 Sr High Youth Group	22 June Family Camp	23 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit 7 PM Ice Cream Social with June Family Camp!!	24 June Family Camp	25 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit June Family Camp	26 June Family Camp	27 June Family Camp
28 9:30 Worship 10:30 Coffee in Stone Hall	29	30 5:30 A.M Faith & Fit				

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