Augustana/Halstad/Immanuel - United Valley Parish

2025 - UVP July Newsletter

Mindful Christianity is a practice of trying to live in harmony with God, with ourselves and with the world. It asks us to examine who we are based on how we view the world and our place in it. It focuses on living each moment knowing that we are beings created by God, awake to everything around us in the present moment while being intimately in touch with the living Lord. Christ's presence can only be felt in the present moment. Dwelling on the past or pining for the future means we can't fully enjoy the present.

That sounds a little "New Agey" for me, but it does make a valid point. We can't change the past. By focusing on actions we can no longer alter or control, rather than making decisions that will affect our present, we often forfeit the opportunity to become new people. Your past doesn't have to control your future, unless you let it. Your future, on the other hand, depends on choices you will make today.

That doesn't mean we should waste the present obsessing about how decisions we make today will change our future. What you have for supper tonight probably won't alter the course of your history. But a series of unhealthy suppers over many years might, although being mindful of that fact doesn't mean you can't enjoy an occasional treat. But also be mindful of what Jesus is calling you to do at this present time and place. Look for God in the world, and you will be found.

Two people read the same Bible:

One sees reasons to hate. The other sees reasons to love.

One sees division. The other sees unity.

One finds prejudice. The other equality.

One discovers indifference. The other compassion.

One learns malice. The other learns goodwill.

Two people, one book. One book, two views.

The Bible is a mirror. The reflection is you. So, who are you?

Mindful Christianity is the spiritual discipline of consciously living in Christ. It is waking up and seeing things not as we perceive them, but as Christ sees them.

We are all made in God's image. Everyone deserves respect and compassion, as Jesus showed us the way, caring for the sick, the beggars, the rejected and the downtrodden. Why do we insist on letting our view obscure the vista presented by Jesus Christ; to see things through Jesus' eyes; to accept as we have been accepted? "Clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness." Ephesisans 4:24.

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Prayer List

Lorie Arneson (Vonnie Jacobson's sister)

Ron Berry (Karen Smart's brother)

Elaine Borgen (Brian Borgen's mother)

Julie Brookshire

Terry Guttormson

Westin Hage (son of Dustin and Tasha Hage)

Katie Halvorson

Marlene Hetland

Tom Hinkley (son of Janice Hinkley)

Cole Kaiser (son of Melanie Nelson's niece)

Allison Lindgren (sister of Darin Johnson)

Paul Martinson

Pastor Myron Nysether

Regan Okroi

Marcia Onsgard

Harlan Rise

Helen Rognlie

Tom Socha

Becky Todd

Daniel Todd

Diane (Penny) Todd

Jacquelyn Todd

Gloria Uekert (Amy Sweeney's mom)

Marijo Vik

Cyndi Weber (Netta Wenshau's mother)

Netta Wenshau

Jessica Zinniel

Military Service of:

Colton Armstrong

Steele Armstrong

Dustin Beliles

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Riley Culp

Stefan Horn

Stephen McCraven

Carlos Medina

Isaac Spaeth

Gabriel Mertz

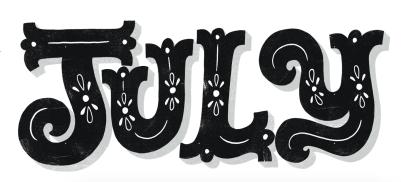
Tucker Hansen

July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	9:30am-4pm Hendrum Food Pantry at Hendrum Professional Building	4	5 9am-2pm Brew & Renew Open
9am ALC with Communion 10:30amam ILC Worship 11:15am ILC Coffee & Fellowship	7 12:30pm ALC/ HLC Quilters	8	9	9:30am-4pm Hendrum Food Pantry 5:30pm HLC Council Meeting	11	12
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School Supplies Needed for **School Kits**



- 70 page, one subject, spiral bound notebooks
- 24 pack boxed crayons
- Blue or black ink stick pens (like BIC) (NO gel pens)
- #2 UNSHARPENED wooded pencils with eraser ends



ALC/HLC quilter Mary Trandem presenting forty-four quilts to residents of Halstad Living Center in June. One quilt was also made for "Ernie", the resident pet.

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Hosted by Halstad Lutheran Church to raise money for the general fund



Immanuel Lutheran **News & Views**

We are a congregation strengthened by God's Word, Reaching out to all people with Christ's love.

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ELEVATOR AVAILABLE



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MAY FAITH CARE AND SHARE

Kris & Faye DeLong (Team Leaders) Steve & Christy Jacobson John & Lorraine Jossund

FLOWER AND ALTAR GUILD

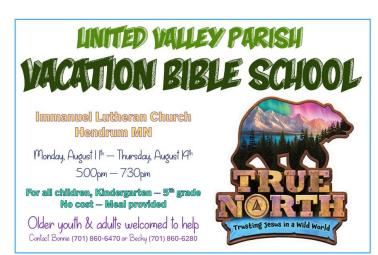
Debby Borgen and Becky Harrington

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Immanuel Lutheran Church Council Meeting, Sunday, July 13th, following worship. Immanuel WELCA, July 16, 1:30 PM.



SAVE THE DATES MONDAY, AUG. 1 - THURSDAY, AUG. 14

United Valley Parish Vacation Bible School begins on Monday, August 11 through Thursday, August 14; 5 pm - 7:30 pm. VBS is for children Kindergarten-5th Grade No Cost - Meal provided. Older youth & adults welcomed to help. Contact Bonnie 701-860-6470 or Becky 701-860-6280





HENDRUM FAMILY FUN NIGHT IMMANUEL WELCA QUILT RAFFFLE - AUGUST 27



The quilt is displayed at Northwestern Bank in Hendrum. Tickets are available at the bank, WELCA members, and other local businesses.

PARENT'S DAY - JULY 27



Where would we be without our parents, the people who loved us even before we were born? They do so much for us every day of our young lives and the love doesn't stop once we're adults. That's why it's good to honor them on their special day, National Parents' Day July 27, celebrated on the fourth Sunday in July.

While Mother's and Father's days were first officially celebrated in the early 1900s, (and National Grandpa Day is already approaching its 40th anniversary); National Parents' Day wasn't established until 1994. That's when President Bill Clinton signed a Congressional Resolution "recognizing, uplifting, and supporting the role of parents in bringing up their children." Well said!

